



Agenda

9:00 AM | Small Assembly
400 Main St, Knoxville

All meeting materials [can be found here](#) 5 to 7 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

* Attachments available online.

1. Call to Order

- A. Determination of a Quorum
- B. Introductions
- C. Introduction of Zoom Participants
- D. Amendments to the Agenda
- E. [List of Commonly Used Acronyms](#)

2. Minutes*

Approval of the January 14, 2025 Technical Committee Minutes

Presenter Jim Snowden, Chair



3. **FY 2023 – 2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Cost Overruns***

Motion(s) to approve the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Cost Overruns

There are four (4) cost overrun requests for locally sponsored projects. The overruns exceed the limits established in the TIP programming policies adopted with the FY 23-26 TIP. Technical Committee approval is required for cost overruns in excess of 25% of the total project costs or increasing TPO federal funds in excess of \$500,000.

Knoxville - Traffic Signal Improvements for the U.T. Area: Overrun request (CMAQ PM 2.5 funds) is \$2,620,911 (\$2,620,911 federal/\$0 local), representing 88.3% of the total project cost. The overrun request is for \$425,000 for ROW in FY 2025 and \$2,195,911 for CN in FY 2026. The overrun request is contingent on TDOT approval and permission to carry over approximately \$1M of CMAQ PM 2.5 funds from FY 2025 to FY 2026.

Knoxville - Traffic Control Equipment Upgrade: Overrun request (CMAQ PM 2.5 funds) is \$921,425 (\$921,425 federal/\$0 local), representing 7.6% of the total project cost.

Knoxville - Pleasant Ridge Road: Overrun request (L-STBG funds) is \$5,813,395 (\$4,650,716 federal/\$930,143 local), representing 71.1% of the total project cost.

Knoxville - Liberty Street Multimodal Project: Overrun request (L-STBG-TA funds) is \$823,019 (\$658,415 federal/\$164,604 local), representing 57.0% of the total project cost.

Attachment #3A: 23-2017-061 TIP page

Attachment #3B: 23-2014-042 TIP page

Attachment #3C: 23-2014-037 TIP page

Attachment #3D: 23-2014-080 TIP page

Presenter Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

The Technical Committee has the final approval of cost overruns. Staff recommends that each cost overrun be considered under a separate motion.



4. **FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments***

Motion to recommend approval a resolution adopting TDOT and City of Knoxville requested amendments for two (2) air quality exempt projects and certifying that the Metropolitan Planning Process is being followed to the Executive Board

The City of Knoxville requested the following amendments:

Existing Pleasant Ridge Road project - Amend project to revise the project schedule and increase the construction phase cost and total project cost. Construction is programmed in FY 2025 at a total cost of \$14,784,512 (\$9,048,890 federal L-STBG/\$2,262,222 local/\$3,474,400 local non-participating). This amendment adds \$9,287,795 (+\$4,650,716 federal/+\$1,162,679 local/+\$3,474,400 local non-participating) to the project and the TIP. The total project cost is increased to \$17,459,821.

Existing Liberty Street Multimodal project - Amend project to revise the project schedule and increase the construction phase cost and total project cost. Additional PE-D programming is removed. Construction is programmed in FY 2025 at a total cost of \$1,525,419 (\$561,920 federal L-STBG/\$658,415 federal L-STBG-TA/\$305,084 local. This amendment adds \$817,555 (+\$658,415 federal L-STBG-TA/-\$4,371 federal L-STBG/+\$163,511 local) to the project and the TIP. The total project cost is increased to \$2,262,455.

Attachment #4A: 23-2014-037 Draft Amendment

Attachment #4B: 23-2014-080 Draft Amendment

Attachment #4C: Draft TIP Amendment Resolution

Attachment #4D: Draft Metropolitan Planning Process Self-Certification

Presenter Craig Luebke, TPO Staff

5. **Safety Performance Measures***

Motion to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting the Safety Performance Measures to the Executive Board

Annual FHWA safety performance targets must be adopted by the end of February 2025. TPO staff have computed local targets specific to the TPO Planning Area for this round as discussed at the January TC meeting and will present those and the State targets as possible options for final recommendation to the Executive Board.

Attachment #5A: Development of Local Safety Targets for the TPO Region Report

Attachment #5B: Draft Resolution for Local Safety Targets Option

Attachment #5C: Draft Resolution for Supporting State Targets Option

Presenter Mike Conger, TPO Staff



6. **Fiscal Year 2026 & 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)***

No action required

It is time to prepare the next UPWP. The UPWP covers two fiscal years' worth of work. The UPWP is prepared in conjunction with the Technical Committee, Executive Board, TDOT, FHWA, and the transit providers. The UPWP must take into consideration both the Federal Planning Factors and the Statewide Planning Priorities. The first draft is due to TDOT in April so Technical Committee members should bring forth planning efforts they would like to see addressed by the TPO.

Attachment #6: UPWP Information

Presenter Doug Burton, TPO Staff

7. **West Knoxville Corridor (I-40/75) Study Presentation**

No action required

TDOT has started an effort to study, design, and prioritize improvements to the Interstate 40/Interstate 75 corridor west of Knoxville, from the I-40/I-75 Interchange in Loudon County to the I-640 Interchange just west of downtown. TDOT's 10-Year Project Plan, released in December 2023, identified funding for several projects along the corridor. Instead of treating those projects as isolated segments, TDOT plans to develop a holistic strategy for improving the corridor as a whole. TDOT staff and its consultants will provide a brief overview of the study and current status at this early stage with the intent of providing additional updates as the study progresses. A project website has been set up at: <https://www.tn.gov/tdot/projects/projects-region-1/west-knoxville-corridor.html>

Presenter Dexter Justis, Director, TDOT Region 1 Project Management and Brad Thompson, Vice President, STV inc.

8. **TDOT and FHWA Updates**

9. **Other Business**

Reminder Household Survey Being Sent Out to Public.

Mobility Plan 2050 Public Review Period Starts March.

Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

TPO Technical Committee Meeting March 11, 2025, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

10. **Public Comment**

Members of the public may address the Technical Committee with a five-minute time limit for each person.



