1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

A. Determination of a Quorum

B. Introductions

C. Introduction of Zoom Participants

D. Amendments to the Agenda

E. **List of Commonly Used Acronyms**

***Brian Boone** City of Maryville	***Rich DeGroseilliers** Lakeway MPO	***Tanner Charles (proxy for Rebecca Styers)** KAT	***Laura Smith (proxy for Rick Yakubic)** ETDD
***DeAnna Flinchum** Knoxville Commuter Pool	***Jeff Welch** Knoxville-Knox County Planning	***James Temple** Sevier County	***Michelle Christian** TDOT Region 1
***Chico Messer** Blount County	***Blake Sartin** Airport Authority	***Patrick Berge** City of Oak Ridge	**TPO Staff**
***Jack Qualls** City of Loudon/Loudon County	***Karen Estes** CAC	***Darryl Smith** Town of Farragut	****Partner Agency Staff**
***Tom Clabo** City of Knoxville Engineering	***Kathryn Baldwin** Anderson County		**Members of the Public**
	***Dakota Gentry** City of Alcoa		* Voting Members
			** Non-voting members

2. Minutes

Approval of the June 13, 2023 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

Approved 17-0-0
A motion was made by Blake Sartin and seconded by Chico Messer to approve the June 13, 2023 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Baldwin arrived at 9:04 a.m.

3. FY 2024-2025 TPO Work Program*

The Transportation Planning Work Program documents the transportation planning activities to be performed in the metropolitan planning area for the next two years. This document was prepared in cooperation with our state and local transportation partners. Major activities identified in the work program include: preparation of the 2050 Mobility Plan, travel demand model update, continued pavement management data collection and participation in a combined MPO statewide Household Travel Survey.   The work program has been reviewed by TDOT and FHWA and all of their comments have been addressed in this final draft document.

Attachment #3

Discussion

Jeff Welch, TPO Staff, reviewed the FY 2024-2025 Work Program.

Approved 18-0-0

A motion was made by Chico Messer and seconded by Blake Sartin to recommend approval of the FY 2024-2025 Work Program to the Executive Board. The motion carried unanimously.

4. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Cost Overrun*

The City of Oak Ridge is requesting approval for a cost overrun for their Signal Timing Optimization Ph. 2 project. The overrun exceeeds the limits established in the TIP programming policies established 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. The requested increase in CMAQ PM2.5 (TPO directed programming) is $1,239,843 and represents 43% of the total project cost. The current project TIP page is included as an attachment.

Attachment #4

Discussion

Craig Luebke, TPO Staff, and Roger Flynn, Oak Ridge, presented to the Committee the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Cost Overrun.

Approved 18-0-0

A motion was made by Kathryn Baldwin and seconded by Chico Messer to approve the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Cost Overrun.. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Congressionally Directed Projects Update

TPO Staff will provide an update on regional projects awarded congressionally directed spending in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

Discussion

Craig Luebke, TPO Staff, provided an update the the Committee on regional projects awarded congressionally directed spending in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023.

6. Mobility Plan Process Update

A consultant was recently selected to prepare the next major update to the TPO Long Range Transportation Plan, to be known as the 2050 Mobility Plan. The regional travel demand forecasting model will also be updated under a separate contract. The TPO staff will provide a brief update and overview of these activities at this early stage of the process.

Discussion

Mike Conger, TPO Staff, reviewed the 2050 Mobility Plan and provided an update on the early stages of the process.

7. Regional Roadway Safety Action Plan

Fairpointe Planning, which was part of the consultant team that helped with creation of the safety plan, will share a summary of the plan and the steps we can take toward impementation.

Discussion

Veronica Carter, Fairpointe Planning, presented to the Committee a summary of the Regional Roadway Safety Plan and discussed the next steps to be taken toward implementation.

8. I-40 Interchange at Campbell Station Road Update

TDOT has initiated this project improvement and a kickoff meeting was held on August 3, 2023. Highlights of that meeting will be provided to the Technical Committee.

Discussion

John Barrett, TDOT Staff, gave the Committee an update on the I-40 Interchange at Campbell Station Road improvement project.

9. TDOT and FHWA Updates

TDOT and FHWA Staff will provide updates.

Discussion

Matt Meservy, TDOT Staff, updated the Committee on the Transportation Modernization Act, the Statewide Partnership Program, and the future of "choice lanes" in Tennessee. Michelle Christian, TDOT Staff, provided an update on Planning Grants.

10. Other Business

TPO Director Search Update

The next meeting of the TPO Executive Board will be held August 23, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

The next meeting of the TPO Technical Committee will be held September 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building.

Discussion

Amy Brooks, Knoxville-Knox County Planning, provided an update on the search for a new TPO Director. The agency has engaged an outside firm to assist in finding a new director and it is anticipated that a list of candidates will be forwarded to the agency by September.

11. Public Comment

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

Discussion

There was no public comment.

12. Adjournment

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.