RPO Technical Coordinating Committee
Minutes for October 9th, 2014 - Approved

Attendees:
Denise Braine  Vicki Eastland  Brendan Merithew
Kris Boyd  Josh Freeman  Martha Ramsey
Mark Burrows  Forrest Gilliam, via phone  Joel Setzer, via phone
Chris Craig  Chris Hnatin  Kristina Solberg
Scott Collier

WELCOME
Josh Freeman called the meeting to order and introductions followed.

Kris Boyd motioned to approve the agenda, Martha Ramsey seconded, and the Agenda was so approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Josh Freeman opened the public comment period and as there were no comments, the public comment period was then closed.

CONSENT AGENDA
Meeting minutes from July 29, 2014 were referenced and approval requested.

Martha Ramsey motioned to approve the minutes from July 29, 2014, Denise Braine seconded, and as there were no objections, the minutes were so approved.

RPO BUSINESS
A. 2014 – 2015 Meeting Schedule: Vicki Eastland indicated requirement of minimum quarterly meetings and asked approval for referenced schedule. December 2014 meeting may be postponed and all will be notified if that occurs.

Mark Burrows motioned to approve, Kris Boyd seconded, and the 2014-2015 Meeting Schedule was then approved.

B. FY14-15 Work Plan Review
   • Review of the current fiscal year Planning Work Program (PWP). The program specific work tasks are presented in agenda packet as reference. Vicki Eastland expanded on the Madison County Visualization Project. Consultant from Altamont Environmental is performing an assessment and preliminary price estimate. Mars Hill and Madison County looking at Advanced Abrasives parcel for potential industrial site entrance.
   • Denise Braine said the CTS services plan update and survey going out. Completion expected by May, 2015.
   • Other topics included Jupiter /Barnardsville Road Park and Ride discussion with NCDOT, Freight Across Appalachia progress, Seniors in Coordinated Planning,
SPOT 3 scores returned, SPOT 4 workgroup will begin in spring 2015, CTP coordination ongoing and a PWP Amendment expected.

- SPOT 3 scores are now being reviewed and where to place in the development phase. Draft STIP expected first week of December with a May or June adoption after public comment and if no changes. No action required.

C. SPOT4 Draft Timeline – graphic included in agenda packet. Draft STIP arriving in December. SPOT 4 workgroup has begun meeting and released a DRAFT SCHEDULE. LOSRPO to begin evaluating our methodology in the spring of 2015. RPO will be submitting new projects this time next year. Development of a SPOT 4 Subcommittee is planned.

D. Announcements, News, Updates
Vicki Eastland highlighted the Stormwater Conference and Friends of the River annual event, both at the Arboretum. See Agenda link for Bike/Ped Planning funds call for projects.

REGULAR UPDATES
A. NCDOT Division updates presented and available on www.landofskyrpo.org.

B. TPB Updates by Brendan Merithew included PWP work in coordination with RPO is in progress, Patrick Norman is the new branch manager, CTP update, Travel Demand Model complete and can be used for RPO projects.

C. Subcommittee/Workgroup updates. Two transit representatives are required for Urban and Rural category positions. Tristan Winkler updated the attendees on Complete Streets Workgroup bike/ped counts and location prioritization for a 13-week season period.

D. Legislative Updates: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further discussion or items, the meeting was adjourned.

Upcoming Meeting

Land of Sky RPO TCC – Thursday December 11th 2014- 11:00 AM (if calendar approved)