



TRANSPORTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2018 (Tuesday) at 4:00 p.m.
Tri-County Regional Planning Commission

- I. **Call to Order/Introductions**
Ch/Fletcher called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- II. **Approval of Agenda**
It was **MOVED** by C/Watkins, **SUPPORTED** by C/Barnes, to approve the agenda as printed. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- III. **Approval of Minutes**
It was **MOVED** by C/Watkins, **SUPPORTED** by C/Barnes, to approve the meeting minutes from March 14, 2018. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**
- IV. **Opportunity for Public Comment**
There was no public comment.
- V. **Alternative Design Concepts for the I-496 Study**
Miranda Spare, Lansing TSC, presented on the I-496 Study (I-96 to I-496/US 127 Interchange,) including a project overview, roadway characteristics, known challenges, congestion, and potential alternatives. MDOT also reviewed the next steps for this project to move forward. This project is not currently programmed in a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP.) The target construction year is 2025. Construction estimates for the no Build Alternative is \$95 Million. Cost for the different alternatives that are being reviewed range from \$48 Million to \$56 Million.

The study is over 1,100 pages long. TCRPC will look into providing access to the study. At this time, the project will have an Environmental Impact exclusion, if any widening is only within the median.

The committee discussed what the impact would be of driving in the peak hour only lane all the time. Generally, the overall speed would be reduced for safety while drivers were permitted in driving in the lane. There was also discussion on the environmental impact on wetlands.

A clarification was made that this section of highway needs repairs because of the remaining pavement surface life and low bridge clearances that substandard. The congestion alternatives are being considered because the project is expected to plan for the upcoming population and travel demand. Federal funding is available just for freeways by federal guidelines, this funding cannot be used to fund other road projects.

This area will receive a high friction surface in 2020 to improve safety and deter weather related crashes.

VI. **Michigan Department of Transportation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Tri-County Regional Planning Commission**

Chief Planner Snell reviewed the updated MOU with the committee. The MOU meets the federal requirements for performance-based planning that was passed with the FAST Act. This MOU is in addition to interagency agreements between TCRPC and local transit agencies.

It was MOVED by C/Barnes, SUPPORTED by C/Maxwell, to recommend the Michigan Department of Transportation Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, to the TCRPC Board of Commissioners. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VII. **2045 Regional Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)**

The public engagements events for the 2045 MTP have been scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, August 21, 2018	Allen Neighborhood Center, Lansing
Wednesday, August 22, 2018	City of Mason City Hall, Mason
Thursday, August 23, 2018	Briggs District Library, St. Johns
Tuesday, August 28, 2018	Delta Township Library, Lansing

All events are scheduled from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

VIII. **Other Business**

A. **Local Agency Reports**

C/Schafer also stated that is hard for Ingham county townships (Meridian, Delhi, and Williamstown Township) to fund rural subdivision road improvements. The current process creates hostility in the community and see the funding that is going toward MDOT projects also make it difficult for people. The funding is not trickling down from FHWA to local townships for local subdivisions roads.

C/Watkins stated that Clinton County raised the township's share for road improvements with the county. The additional funding from the State of Michigan will be going to resurfacing Price and Round Lake Road.

C/Barnes stated that she was glad the local agencies would be receiving additional road funding. She was also very excited to learn that the City of Lansing will also be using funds for the area and thanked Mayor Schor. C/Maxwell also confirmed that Eaton County Road Commission is doing a record number of resurfacing projects.

C/Schafer informed the committee that C/Banas had resigned from serving on TCRPC. Ingham County Commissioner Dennis Louney will be serving on the TCRPC Board of Commissioners in her place.

IX. **Adjourn**

It was MOVED by C/Barnes, SUPPORTED by C/Watkins, to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2018 Transportation Review Committee Attendance

Commissioner	Representing	MEETING DATE											
		1/10	2/14	3/14	4/11	5/9	6/13	7/11	8/8	9/12	10/10	11/7	12/5
Nathan Triplett	City of Lansing, Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA)			X									
Jody Washington	City of Lansing, Council												
Adam Stacey	Clinton County, Board of Commissioners				X								
Gail Watkins	Clinton County, Road Commission	X	X	X	X								
Christine Barnes	Eaton Area Transit Authority (EATRAN)	X	X		X								
Kenneth Fletcher (2018 Chair)	Eaton County, Delta Charter Twp.				X								
Dorothy E. Maxwell	Eaton County, Board of Commissioners	X	X		X								
Teri Banas (2017 Chair)	Ingham County, Road Department	X		X									
Ryan Sebolt	Ingham County, Board of Commissioners												
John Watkin (non-voting)	Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)	X											
	TOTAL (10)	5 (8)	3	3	5								

Others in attendance

1/10/2018: Commissioners appointed on the committee for 2017: C/Pohl, C/Austin, C/Brixie Erika Hartigan, Janet Arcuicci, CATA; Denise Jones, MDOT

2/14/2018: Tom Doyle, MDOT

3/14/2018: C/Lewis served on the committee until February 28, 2018. C/Barnes attended by phone. Erika Hartigan, CATA.

4/11/2018: C/Schafer; Janet Arcuicci, Erika Hartigan, CATA; and Miranda Spare, MDOT.