



ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION

MPC Mendonsa Hearing Room – 1:00 p.m.
112 East State Street, Savannah
Minutes

April 16, 2014 Regular Meeting of the CORE MPO ACAT

<u>Voting Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
James Aberson	Chatham County	X
Kim Anderson	Teleride	
Mohsen Badran	Goodwill Industries	
Denise Boehner	Savannah Council of the Blind	X
William K. Broker	Georgia Legal Service	
Wayne Dawson	Savannah-Chatham County Fair Housing Authority	
Yolonda Fontaine	Housing Authority of Savannah	
William Gardner	National Federation of the Blind	
Bob Habas	Living Independence for Everyone Inc. (LIFE)	X
Timamu Hakim	Chatham Area Transit Authority	
Steve Tomlinson	GDOT Intermodal, District 5	
Pat Heagarty	Interested Citizen Designee	X
Carol Hunt	NAACP- Savannah Branch	
Hunter Hurst	Georgia Infirmary Day Center for Rehabilitation	
McArthur Jarrett	Interested Citizen Designee	
Robert Kozlowski	Kicklighter Resource Center	
Tom Lamar	Interested Citizen Designee	X
William Law	CAT	
Jane Love	Metropolitan Planning Commission	X
Patti Lyons	Senior Citizens Savannah-Chatham Inc.	
Greg Schroeder	United Way of the Coastal Empire	
Clealice Timmons	Coastal Center for Development Services	
Terri White	Savannah Assn for the Blind	
Ettajane Williams-Robbins	Interested Citizen Designee	
Leslie Wilson	Economic Opportunity Authority	
Vacant	City of Savannah	
<u>Voting Alternates</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Others Present</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Jessie Fernandez-Gatti	CAT	X

Jessica Hagan
Tyrone Palmer

MPO
National Federation of the Blind

I. Approval of Agenda

1. Approval of the April 16, 2014 Meeting Agenda

Board Action:

Approve agenda as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Patricia Heagarty

Second: Bob Habas

James Aberson - Aye

Denise Boehner - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Patricia Heagarty - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love - Aye

II. Action Items

2. Approval of the February 24, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Attachment: ACAT Minutes 022414.pdf

Board Action:

Approve minutes as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Tom Lamar

Second: Patricia Heagarty

James Aberson - Aye

Denise Boehner - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Patricia Heagarty - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love - Aye

3. FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program

Attachment: FY 2015 UPWP Adoption Staff Report.pdf
Attachment: 2015 UPWP Draft CVC.pdf

Ms. Jane Love stated the FY 2015 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is the proposed MPO staff work program for the coming fiscal year that runs from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. Each year, the UPWP details the staff budget and work projects expected to be undertaken by the MPO in support of the federally required 3-C (Continuing, Cooperative and Comprehensive) transportation planning process.

Ms. Love reviewed which activities have transit funding in the UPWP, as a particular interest to this committee.

Staff recommended ACAT endorsement of the FY 2015 UPWP.

Board Action:

Endorse the 2015 UPWP to the CORE MPO Board - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Denise Boehner

Second: Patricia Heagarty

James Aberson - Aye

Denise Boehner - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Patricia Heagarty - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love - Aye

4. FY 2014 - 2017 TIP Amendments

Attachment: FY 2014-2017 TIP Amendments Updated.pdf

Ms. Jane Love stated that staff will propose a new TIP in August for FY 2015-2018. FY 2014 is part of the current TIP, but that fiscal year ends on June 30. Therefore any projects that were estimated to have funds authorized in FY 2014 either need to achieve authorization or else be amended to show the funds in a later fiscal year.

Ms. Love explained the nature of the amendments.

Staff recommended ACAT endorsement of the FY 2014-2017 TIP amendments.

Board Action:

For endorsement of the proposed amendments to the
CORE MPO's FY 2014 - 2017 Transportation - PASS

Improvement Program.

Vote Results

Motion: Tom Lamar

Second: Patricia Heagarty

James Aberson - Aye

Denise Boehner - Aye

Jessie Fernandez-Gatti - Aye

Bob Habas - Aye

Patricia Heagarty - Aye

Tom Lamar - Aye

Jane Love - Aye

III. Status Reports

5. Total Mobility Plan / 2040 LRTP Status Report

Ms. Jane Love gave a presentation on the update to the plan to include the financial analysis component of the plan. She outlined the steps taken – identify revenues, updating the project list, updating the remaining project costs, and balancing the project costs with the available revenues.

The next steps are to finalize the project prioritization process and present the finalized financially constrained plan to the CORE MPO committees and Board in June. Adoption is targeted for August.

6. FY 2015 - 2018 TIP Priority Establishment

Attachment: FY 2015-2018 TIP Priority Establishment Staff Report Updated.pdf

Ms. Love said that staff experimented with adjusting the prioritization criteria for the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) to use for TIP project prioritization. Those criteria included connectivity for people and freight, relation to crash locations, environmental effects, and project phase among others. After the Technical Coordinating Committee meeting, staff decided to work more on this before making a recommendation.

7. Update on Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) Strategic Plan

Attachment: ATMS staff report.pdf

Ms. Love, gave an update on the Chatham County Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) Strategic Plan. This will identify steps towards implementing a more comprehensive traffic monitoring and signal management system, which can improve traffic flow without adding more lanes. It also can be useful in special situations such as hurricane evacuation or crash events.

In coordination with Chatham Emergency Management Agency (CEMA), space is being reserved for this in the emergency operations center being built at Hunter Army Airfield.

8. CAT Bike Share Program

Attachment: CAT Bike v3.pdf

Ms. Jessie Fernandez-Gatti gave a presentation on the new Bike Share Program including how it works, performance to date, the challenges, station density and usage, and station location criteria.

IV. Agency Reports (verbal)

A. Teleride

9. Presentation

Ms. Jessie Fernandez-Gatti stated that the call back feature will start May 1. An automated 24-hour call back feature will have options which the customer can confirm or cancel.

Sereval other comments were made by the Board Members regarding the phone service.

B. Chatham Area Transit

10. Presentation

Ms. Jessie Fernandez-Gatti stated that CAT will have unlimited ride pass for anyone under 17 years old for \$40.00. CAT has applied for TIGER grant for Abercorn route service enhancements and transit superstops. CAT also applied to the MPO for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds for more Bike Share stations.

V. Other Business

11. Presentation

ACAT Meeting Location

There was committee discussion regarding whether to start holding the ACAT meetings at CAT Intermodal Transit Center. ACAT had met there in February as a way to show the facility to members.

Discussion from the committee included: Members using fixed route service end up there

anyway; a few members who travel in their motorized wheel chairs will have a longer trip.

Chairman obtained a motion to approve the move of the ACAT meeting to the CAT Intermodal Transit Center.

Ms. Boehner seconded the motion and it passed with no one opposing.

Henceforward ACAT will meet at the CAT Intermodal Transit Center.

ACAT Role in the MPO Transportation Planning Process

Chairman asked members to think about the ACAT committee's role going forward, as the MPO structure is being re-considered during expansion of the planning area because of the 2010 census.

VI. Public Participation Opportunities

VII. Announcements

12. Next CORE MPO ACAT Meeting: June 23, 2014

VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

13. April 2014 TIP Administrative Modifications

Attachment: April 2014 Administrative Modifications.pdf

14. Status of the Victory Drive Corridor Study

Attachment: Victory Drive Corridor Study staff report.pdf

IX. Adjournment

The Chatham County - Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission provides meeting summary minutes which are adopted by the respective Board. Verbatim transcripts of minutes are the responsibility of the interested party.