

MPC Mendonsa Hearing Room – 5:30 p.m.
112 East State Street, Savannah
Minutes

June 2, 2016 Regular Meeting of the CORE MPO CAC

<u>Voting Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Tony Abbott	Chatham County	X
Nicholas Allen-Tunsil	City of Savannah	
Thomas E. Branch III	City of Savannah	X
Daniel Brantley	Chatham County	
John Chapman	City of Savannah	X
Dr. Cheryl Goldwire	Effingham County	
Paula Kreissler	City of Savannah	
Larry Longo	City of Port Wentworth	
Christopher Middleton	City of Savannah	
Robert Tully	Chatham County	X
Vacant	City of Bloomingdale	
Vacant	City of Garden City	
Vacant	City of Pooler	
Vacant	City of Richmond Hill	
Vacant	City of Thunderbolt	
Vacant	City of Tybee Island	
Vacant	Town of Vernonburg	

<u>Others Present</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Jessica Hagan	MPO	X
Jane Love	MPO	X
Stephanie Rossi	MPO	X
Tom Thomson	MPO	
Wykoda Wang	MPO	X
Mark Wilkes	MPO	

I. Approval of Agenda

1. [Approval of the June 2, 2016 Meeting Agenda](#)

The agenda was approved as written.

Board Action:

Approve the agenda as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Branch, III

Second: John D. Chapman

Anthony H. Abbott - Aye

Thomas Branch, III - Aye

John D. Chapman - Aye

Bob Tully - Aye

II. Action Items

2. [Approval of the April 7, 2016 Meeting Minutes](#)

Attachment: [CAC Minutes 04-07-16.pdf](#)

The minutes were approved as written.

Board Action:

Approve the minutes as written. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Thomas Branch, III

Second: John D. Chapman

Anthony H. Abbott - Aye

Thomas Branch, III - Aye

John D. Chapman - Aye

Bob Tully - Aye

3. [FY 2015 – 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Updates](#)

Ms. Wykoda Wang, with CORE MPO, explained that because of the funding changes resulting from the FAST Act (the new federal transportation legislation) and HB 170 (the State of Georgia transportation bill), the state DOT would be unable to provide the MPO with the revenue projections for the development and adoption of a new FY 2017 – 2020 TIP by June 30, 2016. Thus the current FY 2015 – 2018 TIP remains the CORE MPO's guiding programming document.

However, she noted, there are some changes proposed, largely shifting certain projects' phases from FY 2016 to future years if they won't be authorized by June 30, because the state's fiscal year is about to roll over into FY 2017 on July 1. There were also some changes for cost estimates and for adding project phases: Truman

Linear Park Trail is proposed to be split into two geographic segments, now that the revised concept is approved, with a cost increase for the southern portion; funding would be removed from the Sector 13 Studies; on the culvert replacements at SR 25 and Pipemaker's Canal a PE phase would be added; a construction phase would be added in FY 2017 for Islands Expressway Bridge Replacement; a PE phase would be added for the I-95 at I-16 interchange reconstruction; utility and construction phases would be added for the SR 144 widening; the Section 5307 Passenger Ferry program would be updated to reflect CAT's recent grant award; the Congestion Management Process update would be removed from the TIP because it now has discretionary Highway Planning funds which are reflected in the Unified Planning Work Program instead of the TIP.

Ms. Wang noted that the public comment period will run from June 7-21.

Staff Recommended: endorsement of proposed updates to the FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program.

Board Action:

For CAC endorsement of proposed updates to the FY 2015 - 2018 Transportation Improvement Program. - PASS

Vote Results

Motion: Anthony H. Abbott

Second: John D. Chapman

Anthony H. Abbott - Aye

Thomas Branch, III - Aye

John D. Chapman - Aye

Bob Tully - Aye

III. Status Reports

IV. Agency Reports

MPO staff will report answers to any questions regarding other agencies' projects that the CAC members submitted to staff prior to the meeting.

V. Other Business

4. [Board Discussion](#)

Mr. John Chapman asked for a update on the search for MPC Executive Director, since Mr. Thomson had announced in recent months that he would be retiring soon.

Staff advised him that a committee was formed and they are in the process of selecting a search firm to search for possible candidates.

Mr. Tommy Branch asked how projects get in the Long Range Transportation Plan?

Ms. Wang stated that through the planning process, coordination with local officials and staff, and input from the public and stakeholders.

Mr. Bob Tully updated the CAC on what he had told the CORE MPO Board at their April meeting, regarding the reinstatement of the GPA as a voting member on the MPO Board.

Staff advised the CAC that the most recent response from the Port was that they felt the state DOT adequately represents their interest on the MPO Board.

VI. Other Public Comments (limit to 3 minutes)

VII. Announcements

5. [Next CORE MPO CAC Meeting: August 4, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.](#)

VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

IX. Adjournment

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