



CORE MPO Citizens Advisory Committee

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

August 3, 2017 Meeting of the CORE MPO Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

<u>Voting Members</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Anthony Abbott	Chatham County	
Tonjes Bolden	Savannah	
Daniel Brantley	Chatham County	
Larry Longo	Port Wentworth	X
Christopher Middleton	Savannah	X
Anthony Sardinas	Richmond Hill	
Robert Tully	Chatham County	X
Vacant	Bloomington	
Vacant	Effingham County	
Vacant	Garden City	
Vacant	Pooler	
Vacant	Savannah	
Vacant	Thunderbolt	
Vacant	Tybee Island	
Vacant	Vernonburg	
<u>Others</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Present</u>
Stephanie Rossi	CORE MPO Staff	X
Wykoda Wang	CORE MPO Staff	X

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Action Items

1. Approval of the June 1, 2017 CAC Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the June 1, 2017 CAC meeting were approved with none opposed.

2. Nominations and Election of the CAC Chairperson

Chairman Bob Tully opened the floor for nominations. Mr. Tully was nominated for re-election. There were no other nominations. Chairman Tully closed nominations. Bob Tully was re-elected as Chairman of the CAC.

3. Nominations and Election of the CAC Vice Chairperson

Chairman Bob Tully opened the floor for nominations. Christopher Middleton was nominated for Vice Chairman. There were no other nominations. Chairman Tully closed the nominations. Chris Middleton was re-elected as Vice Chairman of the CAC.

4. Amendments to 2040 Total Mobility Plan

Ms. Wykoda Wang explained the proposed amendment to the CORE MPO 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). This involves the addition of two projects to the cost-feasible project list: 1) A new two-lane bridge parallel to the recently completed Back River Bridge, to make a four-lane crossing; and 2) widening of the bridge approach on the Georgia side. This is necessary because of the US 17 widening in SC. GDOT requested the amendment and is directing funds to the projects, which means the MTP would remain financially balanced, and other projects' funding is not affected. GDOT is funding a small portion of the PE and construction cost for the new bridge, as SC DOT is funding the majority of the \$2 million PE phase and the \$16.2 million construction phase. GDOT is funding all of the \$200,000 PE, \$500,000 ROW, and \$2 million construction phases of the bridge approach project: On both projects, 80% of the funds are federal. Staff recommended CAC endorsement of the amendment to the 2040 MTP.

A motion was made and seconded to endorse the amendment to the 2040 MTP. The motion passed with none opposed.

5. Amendments to FY 2015 - 2018 TIP

Ms. Wang explained that this amendment would program in the FY 2015-2018 TIP the two projects related to the Back River crossing, as described in the prior item for the long range plan amendment. Although the CORE MPO adopted a new TIP for fiscal years FY 2018-2021 in June, the FY 2015-2018 TIP is effective until the governor signs the MPO's newer TIP. Therefore, in case, the routing of the new TIP for signature is not completed before GDOT wishes to begin the PE phases shortly, this amendment would allow GDOT to proceed.

Staff recommended CAC endorsement of the amendment to the FY 2015-2018 TIP.

A motion was made and seconded to endorse the amendment to the FY 2015-2018 TIP. The motion passed with none opposed.

6. Amendments to FY 2018 - 2021 TIP

Ms. Wang reported that, similar to the prior TIP amendment item, this amendment to the new FY 2018-2021 TIP would program the two new projects related to the Back River crossing. If the governor signs this new CORE MPO TIP before GDOT is prepared to start the PE phases, then this amendment will allow GDOT to proceed as soon as ready.

Staff recommended CAC endorsement of the proposed FY 2018-2021 TIP amendment.

A motion was made and seconded to endorse the FY 2018-2021 TIP amendment. The motion passed with none opposed.

III. Status Reports

7. Safety Targets

Mr. Stephanie Rossi explained that the federal MAP-21 act and FAST Act required US DOT to establish several measures which will be used to evaluate the transportation system. The states and MPOs are required to identify specific targets to hit on each measure. Safety is the first measure established. GDOT is establishing the state target this August. The MPOs have six months after that to identify their targets -- i.e. until February of 2017. She reviewed the safety measures that the US DOT established. The committees will be updated after the state targets are known.

This report was for information. No action was necessary.

IV. Agency Reports

V. Other Business

8. Population Forecasting Exercise for Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Mr. James Small, MPC Comprehensive Planner, was present to lead the CAC members in an exercise to gain feedback on population forecasting that will be used in the next update of the MPO's long range transportation plan. The CAC members chose to postpone the exercise until more members were present.

VI. Other Public Comments (limit to 3 minutes)

VII. Announcements

[9. CORE MPO To Participate in FTA Research Project](#)

[10. Next CAC Meeting: Thursday, October 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at MPC](#)

VIII. Other Non-Agenda Information for Reference

[11. Transit Asset Management \(TAM\) Targets](#)

IX. Adjournment

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