

EASTERN SHORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA
JANUARY 15, 2019
1:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE/INVOCATION

- Chairperson Mr. Andrew James called the meeting to order at 1:04 P.M.
- Invocation was said by Mr. Richard Ullo.
- Pledge was led by Mr. Andrew James.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Katrina Taylor, MPO Technician, called the roll.

- **Members present:** Mr. Donald Ouellette, City of Daphne; Mr. Stephen Pierce, City of Daphne; Mr. Rick Davis, City of Daphne; Mr. Richard Jaehne, City of Daphne; Mr. Johnny Chaney, Baldwin County; Mr. David Stejskal, City of Fairhope; Mr. Tom Granger, City of Fairhope; Mr. Tedson Meyers, City of Fairhope; Mr. Greg Walker, Baldwin County; Mr. Richard Ullo, City of Spanish Fort; Ms. Bethany Johnston, Town of Loxley. Mr. Andrew James, Baldwin County.
- **Members absent:** Ms. Sherry Sullivan, City of Fairhope; Mr. Lawrence Wilson, Baldwin County; Ms. Diane Burnett, Town of Loxley; Mr. Kevin Morgan, City of Spanish Fort.
- **Others present:** Mrs. Katrina Taylor, MPO Technician

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: By Mr. Donald Ouellette to approve the October 2018 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greg Walker.

- Discussion: None
- Abstain: None
- In favor: All
- Opposed: None
- Result: Passed

NEW BUSINESS

1. Action – Amending the Long Range Transportation Plan for the Mobile River Bridge Bayway Project (**ALL**)

Mrs. Taylor stated the first action is to amend the Long Range Transportation Plan for the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project, this amendment is required for project approval for Federal Highway. This covers the scope of the project, funding, tolling, and the bicycle and pedestrian accommodations. The Amendment was sent to all advisory members for comment prior to the meeting. ALDOT and Federal Highway have reviewed and approved this amendment.

MOTION: By Mr. Ouellette to amend to the Long Range Transportation Plan to include the Mobile River Bridge Project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tedson Meyers.

- Discussion: There was a question regarding access to the new bridge's observation deck.
- Abstain: None
- In favor: All
- Opposed: None
- Result: Passed

2. Action – State Amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (All)

Mrs. Taylor explained that the State had requested projects to be included in the TIP. She reminded the committee that no MPO dollars are involved in the following projects:

- [DELETION] Project 100057419 (CN) Federal aid number: IM MR17. DESIGN OF VARIOUS INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM DEVICES AND FIBER BACKBONE ALONG I-10, I-65, I-165, SR-16 (US-90), SR-42 (US-98), SR-59 WITHIN THE MOBILE AND BALDWIN URBAN AREA
- Project 100069462 (PE) BRP ON VARIOUS BRIDGES ALONG I-10. ON US-98 OVER I-10 (BIN 10002, 10003) ON I-10 OVER FISH RIVER (BIN 10170, 10171) ON I-10 OVER 3-MILE CRK (BIN 10172, 10173) ON I-10 OVER COWPEN CRK (BIN 8527, 8528) ON I-10 OVER STYX RIVER (BIN 8530, 8531)
- Project 100069479 (CN) BRP ON VARIOUS BRIDGES ALONG I-10. ON US-98 OVER I-10 (BIN 10002, 10003) ON I-10 OVER FISH RIVER (BIN 10170, 10171) ON I-10 OVER 3-MILE CRK (BIN 10172, 10173) ON I-10 OVER COWPEN CRK (BIN 8527, 8528) ON I-10 OVER STYX RIVER (BIN 8530, 8531)

MOTION: By Mr. Richard Jaehne to add the state requested amendments to the TIP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Meyers.

- Discussion: There was a question regarding the various bridge paintings and if a local 1% match would be required for art.
- Abstain: None
- In favor: All
- Opposed: None
- Result: Passed

3. Action – Amendment of FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (All)

Mrs. Taylor explained that at the October 2018 meeting, the Policy Board approved two hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$260,000) for the design of a roundabout at County Road 64 and Rigsby Road and to widen County Road 64 from SR 181 to County Road 54 East. Our estimate was incorrect and that amount approved only covered the roundabout and not the widening. The County has requested an additional two hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars (\$275,000) for the design of the widening of County Road 64 from 181 to 54 East. The Baldwin County Commission will provide the twenty percent (20%) match.

Total Cost:	\$275,000
MPO:	\$220,000
County:	\$55,000

MOTION: By Mr. Meyers to approve the use of MPO Surface Funds for additional funds of the design of a roundabout at CR 64 and Rigsby Road and to design the widening of CR 64 from SR 181 to CR 54 East. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ouellette.

- Discussion: None
- Abstain: Mr. James
- In favor: None
- Opposed: None
- Result: Passed

4. Action – Adopting the Public Transit Plan (All)

The draft plan was sent to Advisory Committees and the Policy Board in November 2018.

Minor comments were received and have been incorporated into the final version. This is not a mandatory document for the MPO, but the MPO does get Federal administrative funds to plan for public transit.

MOTION: By Mr. David Stejskal to adopt the Public Transit Plan as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Walker.

- Discussion: Members expressed their concerns with BRATS ridership. They have requested a presentation from BRATS at a following meeting to address their concerns. Mr. Jaehne requested that the Public Transit Plan be re-sent to all members to then give input on how to increase ridership at the April meeting.
- Abstain: None
- In favor: All
- Opposed: None
- Result: Passed

5. Informational – MPO Coordinator's Report

- Project Update
 - Adaptive Signal - The adaptive signal system on US 98 is complete and is now in the "tweaking" phase by Temple.
 - SR 181 Widening – The contractor is working on utility relocation
 - US 31 – The contractor is finishing up with the utility relocations, and currently placing the piping for drainage.
 - SR 181 and I-10 Diverging Diamond – Utilities are complete, construction is expected to begin in February 2019.
- 2019 ATPA Conference – Mrs. Taylor stated that Mrs. Sarah Sislak is chairing the 2019 Alabama Transportation Planners Conference this year and is looking for sponsors and speakers if anyone had any recommendations.
- Planning and Development – Mrs. Katrina Taylor gave an update on the developments and building permits per government in the planning area. This included the 2018 (calendar year) approved preliminary plats, final plats and building permits for residential homes in the Metropolitan Planning Area.

OTHER DISCUSSION: The board requested that the Sislak family receive a Letter of Congratulations for the birth of Camille Sislak. The members wanted to ensure that during the construction of the widening of SR 181 one lane will be open. A member complained that the left turn signal at 98/Parker Road is not on live time.

NEXT MPO MEETINGS (All)

- **Policy Board Work Session:** Wednesday, April 10, 2019; 10:00 AM; Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse (Fairhope)
- **BPAC Meeting:** Tuesday, April 16, 2019; 9:00 AM; Spanish Fort City Hall
- **CAC Meeting:** Tuesday, April 16, 2019; 1:00 PM; Spanish Fort City Hall
- **TAC Meeting:** Wednesday, April 17, 2019; 10:00 AM; Spanish Fort City Hall
- **Policy Board Meeting:** Wednesday, April 24, 2019; 10:00 AM; Spanish Fort City Hall

PUBLIC FORUM (All)

- **Members of the Public:** There were no other members of the public present.
- **Members of the Press:** There were no members of the press present.
- **Board/Committee Members:** N/A

ADJOURNMENT (All)

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. James. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 P.M.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Tedsen Rogers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Tedsen" is written with a large, sweeping initial "T" that loops around the first few letters. The last name "Rogers" is written in a more standard cursive script. The signature is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the page.