# EASTERN SHORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY BOARD MEETING

# FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

October 27, 2021 10:00 PM

#### CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE/INVOCATION

- > Chairperson Councilmember Jack Burrell called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M.
- Invocation was said by Vice Chair Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood.
- > Pledge was led by Commissioner Joe Davis.

#### ROLL CALL

Mrs. Sarah Sislak called the roll.

- ➤ Members present: Mayor Sherry Sullivan, City of Fairhope; Councilmember Jack Burrell, City of Fairhope; Mayor Robin LeJeune, City of Daphne; Councilmember Ron Scott, City of Daphne; Mayor Mike McMillan, City of Spanish Fort; Mr. Robert Davis (proxy for Mayor Richard Teal), Town of Loxley; Commissioner Joe Davis, Baldwin County; Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood, Baldwin County; Mr. Matt Ericksen, ALDOT
- > Members absent: None.
- ➤ Others present: Mrs. Sarah Sislak, MPO Coordinator; Ms. Jessica Mayo, ESMPO; Mr. Edwin Perry, Southwest Region ALDOT; Mrs. Sherry-Lea Bloodworth Botop, Baldwin County; Mr. Shane Perry, City of Spanish Fort; Mr. Guy Busby, Gulf Coast Media; Mr. Troy Strunk, City of Daphne.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

**MOTION:** By Councilmember Ron Scott to nominate Councilmember Jack Burrell for Chair and Commissioner Billie Jo Underwood for Vice Chair. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Joe Davis.

Discussion: None

o Abstain: None

In favor: All

o Opposed: None

Result: Passed

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION:** By Mayor Sherry Sullivan to approve the July 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

o Discussion: None

o Abstain: None

o In favor: All

o Opposed: None

o Result: Passed

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Action – Adoption of Performance Management Agreement (All)

Mrs. Sislak explained The Fixing Americas Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) requires that MPO Transportation Plans, Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) include Performance Management Measures and Targets for urbanized areas. She further explained 23 CFR 450.314 states that all MPO responsibilities must be clearly defined in written agreements. In addition, ALDOT had developed an agreement for Performance Measures related activities.

**MOTION:** By Councilmember Scott to adopt the Performance Measurement Agreement. The motion was seconded by Mayor Mike McMillan.

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o Discussion: None

o Abstain: None

o In favor: All

o Opposed: None

o Result: Passed

# 2. Action – Adding Projects to the Visionary List (All)

Mrs. Sislak provided the following projects have been submitted for inclusion on the Visionary List of the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan. (LRTP). She reminded members that by placing a project on the Visionary List does not commit funding.

- Parker Rd sidewalk/path
- CR-1 sidewalk/path
- Gabel St sidewalk
- Turn lane on CR-13 at SR-104
- Turning lanes on 98 at Johnson Rd

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Underwood to add presented projects to Visionary List of the 2045 LRTP. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

o Discussion: None

o Abstain: None

o In favor: All

o Opposed: None

o Result: Passed

#### 3. Action – Functional Classification Resolutions of Support (All)

Mrs. Sislak stated that the Baldwin County Commission is requesting Corte Road be functionally classified as a Collector. A Resolution of Support from the MPO is required to be included with the request to ALDOT/FHWA.

**MOTION:** By Councilmember Scott to provide Resolution of Support for the Functional Classification of Corte Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Underwood.

o Discussion: None

o Abstain: None

o In favor: All

o Opposed: None

o Result: Passed

# 4. Action – St. Michael's Way Reclassification Resolution of Support (All)

Mrs. Sislak stated the Baldwin County Commission is requesting St. Michael Way be functionally classified as a Collector. A Resolution of Support from the MPO is required to be included with the request to ALDOT/FHWA.

**MOTION:** By Mayor Sullivan to provide Resolution of Support to Reclassify St. Michael's Way. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scott.

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

# 5. Action – Appointing Advisory Committee Members (Policy Board)

Mrs. Sislak stated that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee (BPAC) and Citizens Advisory Committee has vacant positions and MPO staff received applications for the vacancies. Mr. Paul Ammon applied to represent the City of Fairhope (BPAC) and Mr. Mark Stejskal applied to represent the City of Fairhope and Mr. Shane Perry to represent Baldwin County on the (CAC).

**MOTION:** By Mayor Sullivan to appoint member to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Underwood.

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

**MOTION:** By Mayor Sullivan to appoint members to the Citizens Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

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

# 6. Action – MPO Logo Update (All)

Mrs. Sislak explained that MPO Staff is requesting to update the MPO Logo and has compiled several options, staff is seeking further direction.

**MOTION:** By Mayor Robin Lejeune on two options for the MPO Logo. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

- Discussion: Policy members' first option was for MPO to team up with marketing members at the Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce. Second option with a budget set by Policy members at \$750 and use Design Crowd.
- o Abstain: None

- o In favor: All
- o Opposed: None
- o Result: Passed
- 7. Informational MPO Coordinator's Report (All)
  - ALDOT Project Update

Mr. Matt Ericksen provided ALDOT's project update:

- SR 181 Widening
- US 31 Widening
- Intersection Alignment at US 90/SR 59
- Realign Intersection of US 31 and Old HWY 31
- Project Update

Mrs. Sislak provided MPO project update:

- Gayfer Turning Lanes
- US 98 Access Management Project
- CR 64 Widening
- CR 34 Signal
- CR 13/44 Roundabout
- Fairhope Transit Project
- Loxley Transit Project
- Advisory Committee Vacancies
  - Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
    - o Baldwin County (2)
    - o City of Daphne (1)
  - Citizens Advisory Committee
    - o Baldwin County (1)
    - o City of Daphne (1)
- Alabama Transportation Infrastructure Bank
- Letter to Director Cooper RE Mobile River Bridge and Bayway
- County Connectivity Plan
- Planning and Development Update
   Ms. Jessica Mayo presented 2021 P&D update. The 2021 data presented is available on our website (easternshorempo.org) under Other Planning Documents.

# **NEXT MPO MEETINGS (All)**

- Policy Board Work Session: Wednesday, January 12, 2022; 10:00 AM; Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse (Fairhope)
- **BPAC Meeting:** Tuesday, January 18, 2022; 9:00 AM; TBD
- CAC Meeting: Tuesday, January 18, 2022; 1:00 PM; TBD
- TAC Meeting: Wednesday, January 19, 2022; 10:00 AM; TBD
- Policy Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 26, 2022; 10:00 AM; Daphne City Hall

#### PUBLIC FORUM (All)

• Members of the Public: No comments

- Members of the Press: No comments
- Board/Committee Members: No comments

# ADJOURNMENT (All)

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Underwood to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mayor McMillan.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 A.M.

Jack Burrell, Chairperson Date: 1/28/22