

SUMMARY MINUTES
MPO Policy Committee
October 24, 2023 @ 9:00 AM
City Commission Chambers | 1001 College Street

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Andy Souza, Bowling Green Public Works
Warren County Judge-Executive Doug Gorman
Joe Plunk, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 3

Judge-Executive Doug Gorman called the MPO Policy Committee to order.

A. ROLL CALL

A roll call was conducted in order to determine a quorum; quorum was determined with Bowling Green Public Works Director, Andy Souza, serving as proxy for Bowling Green Mayor.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There was no discussion from the August 29, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Andy Souza made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plunk, to approve the August 29, 2023 minutes. All in favor, so approved.

C. NEW BUSINESS

Karissa Lemon introduced the first item of new business. As requested by the Federal Highway Administration, Ms. Lemon presented a letter stating that the FY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) comply with one another. Ms. Lemon asked for a motion to approve document compliancy. A motion was made by Mr. Souza to approve the letter stating that the FY 2024-2028 TIP and 2045 MTP are in compliance; a second was made by Mr. Plunk. All in favor, so approved.

Ms. Lemon shared the FY 2024-2028 TIP modification for inclusion of the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) funded trail project between Bowling Green and Mammoth Cave National Park. Ms. Lemon stated that this document does not need approval, but will be added to the TIP once the final FY 2024-2028 TIP approval letter is issued by the Federal Highway Administration. Ms. Lemon said the Barren River Area Development District (BRADD) and MPO are working together on the funded planning study and are hopeful to get the RFPs out this fall. Some discussion was had regarding the details of the planning study and vision of project.

Lastly, Ms. Lemon asked the committee to think through project ideas or focus areas for projects in FY 2025. Ms. Lemon mentioned developing an MOU for corridors in higher growth areas. It was discussed to draft a MOU for a southern portion of US 31W Nashville Road. The MOU will be brought before the committee at the February meeting for approval and adoption.

D. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

KYTC District 3 has a number of ongoing projects. Mr. Plunk reviewed projects currently under contract: a school safety project at Bristow Elementary for intersection improvements and Buc-ee's road improvements. Projects ready to let: widen Glasgow Road for turn lanes onto Fred Madison Road, turn lane additions on Richpond Road for Richpond Elementary, a section of KY 185 from Pruitt Road to Penns Chapel Road, and a project from approx.. Warren East High School to Mizpah Road. Projects with ROW underway: A section of KY 884 (Three Springs Road), US 31W widening between the Oaklawn Way and Campbell Lane, US 31W from Buchanon Park to Simpson County line, and US 31W from KY 234 to Park Street. Lastly, projects in design: A portion of KY 234 from Roger Porter Road to Fountain Trace, KY 234 near Kereiakes Park, some geotechnical work on Richardsville Road, and the Plano Road "s" curves.

Bowling Green Public Works reported that the roundabout projects on Westen Street are underway with Patrick Way, then Highland Way. Another roundabout design project is underway near the Preston Miller Park intersection, for next fiscal year. Design work is well underway with American Engineers for the Cave Mill Road project and expected to be complete next spring/summer. The project will include minor widening, intersection improvements, and a shared use path.

Ms. Lemon provided a brief update on some upcoming BikeWalkBG events and outreach efforts.

G. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Plunk, seconded by Mr. Souza. The meeting was adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

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