

Technical Advisory Committee
Kankakee Area Transportation Study (K.A.T.S.)
Metropolitan Planning Organization (M.P.O.)

Minutes
October 30, 2019

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Mark Rogers, Chairman	County of Kankakee
Neil Piggush, Vice-Chairman	City of Kankakee
Mike Gingerich	Village of Bradley
Cortney Koning	River Valley METRO MTD
David Tyson	Village of Bourbonnais
Tom Caldwell	IDOT Office of Planning & Programming

Others Present:

Mike Mergenthaler, Geoff Olson, Delbert Skimerhorn, and Ben Wilson.

Call to Order

Chairman Rogers called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M and took roll call. A quorum was present.

Public Comment

None.

Minutes

Chairman Rogers asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on June 26, 2019. Dr. Gingerich motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Tyson seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion Carried.

Approval of Proposed Agenda

Chairman Rogers asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Piggush motioned to approve the agenda. Mr. Tyson seconded to motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FY 2020 Unified Work Program Amendments

Mr. Olson stated there were two changes to the FY 2020 Unified Work program. The first was a shift of staff funds to the Transportation and Development Division Manager from planning services to long range plan because he had been working on the plan update. The second change was to include telecommunications in the non-personnel section. This would allow for the purchase of a wi-fi hotspot for the staff to have wi-fi outside of the office. The amendment was revenue neutral. Dr. Gingerich motioned to approve the amendment as presented. Mr. Piggush seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

FY 2020 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

Mr. Olson presented two requests for amendment to the FY 2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The first was the addition of City of Kankakee's Safe Routes to School Program grant that would install two flashing beacons with speed feedback signs, as well as a pedestrian countdown timer and flashing signal head with a controller cabinet, which will allow pedestrians to activate the signal outside of pre-programmed morning drop off and afternoon pickup times. Additional sidewalk and pavement work will also be included. Construction and construction engineering will be funded under the Federal Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). The costs for construction are \$178,309.00 and \$21,691.00 for construction engineering. For the 2019 funding cycle, a local match was not required.

The other request for amendment was from Village of Bradley to change of the programmed years for the Illinois Route 50 enhancement project (BKA-17-001). Preliminary engineering phase 1 has been requested to be moved from FY 2019 to FY 2020 and preliminary engineering phase 2 has been requested to be moved from FY 2020 to FY 2021. There were changes in costs or to other phases of the project. Dr. Gingerich motioned to forward and recommend the amendments for approval by the KATS Policy Committee. Mr. Piggush seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Long Range Plan Update

Mr. Wilson referred everyone to the memo sent with the meeting materials that showed the scores of each submitted highway project that was going to be included in the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan. The projects were categorized in the same way as the 2040 plan with tier 1, tier 2, and tier 3 projects. Tier 1 projects were the projects that could most likely be funded in the near term. Tier 2 projects were projects that would be expected to be given greater consideration in the long term. Tier 3 projects are projects that did not have a formal sponsor and were recognized as possible transportation needs in 25 years. Mr. Wilson said the top 5 projects were mostly state projects, which included intersection improvements at IL-50 and Amour Road, the I-57 interchange at 9000N Rd in Manteno, the I-57 interchange at IL-17 in Kankakee, the intersection of U.S. 45/52 and IL-102, and Hobbie Avenue from IL-17 to IL-50 in Kankakee. Mr. Tyson motioned to make a recommendation to the KATS Policy Committee for approval of the projects in each tier as presented. Dr. Gingerich seconded the motion. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

New Business

Meeting Schedule

Mr. Olson said a memo was sent to members that had the meeting dates for 2020. The dates follow the current meeting schedule. He also said there would be a public hearing held by the Regional Planning Commission in February for the Long Range Transportation Plan.

Mr. Olson also informed everyone that the Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for FY 2019 was completed. It is one of the federally required documents the MPO must produce annually.

Old Business

There was no old business.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next MPO Technical Advisory Committee and Policy Committee meetings will be on January 29, 2020.

Adjournment

Chairman Rogers asked if there was any more business to discuss. There was none. Mr. Tyson motioned to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Koning seconded. Chairman Rogers adjourned the meeting at 2:42 P.M.