

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 16, 2017
MINUTES**

Paul Arnold, MVRPC
Kaye Borchers, Choice One Engineering
Scott Boyer, ODOT District 7
Tom Brankamp, Strand Associates
James Brinegar, City of Centerville
Ann Burns, MVRPC
Barry Conway, City of Franklin
Philip Cox, Monroe Township
Robert Cron, City of Vandalia
Bradley Daniel, MVRPC
John Davies, Washington Township
Chad Dixon, City of Springboro
John Donnelly, City of Tipp City
Julie Duffy, Municipality of Carlisle
Andrew Fluegemann, ODOT District 8
Robert Geyer, Greene County Engineer
Paul Gruner, Montgomery Co. Engineer

Jay Hamilton, Mead & Hunt
Mike Hammes, City of Moraine
Amy Havenar, City of Piqua
Paul Huelskamp, Miami Co. Engineer
Manuel Jacobs, City of Fairborn
Aaron Lee, MVRPC
Matthew Lindsay, MVRPC
Roy Mann, Jefferson Township
Brian Martin, MVRPC
Dominic Miller, City of Xenia
Tom Mochty, Woolpert
Ana Ramirez, MVRPC
Amy Schmidt, ODOT D-7
John Sliemers, City of Kettering
Keith Steeber, City of Dayton
Kathy Streng, DLZ Ohio, Inc.

I. INTRODUCTION

Chair Geyer called the meeting to order. Self-introductions were made.

II. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 19, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Donnelly made a motion to approve minutes. Mr. Conway seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Public Comment Period on Action Items

None

IV. MPO (METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION) ACTION ITEMS

A. Recommended Adoption of Amendment to MVRPC's SFY2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Arnold referred to a memo on page 3 of the mailout explaining that numerous modifications to the programming documents for various projects has resulted in the need for a TIP amendment. He referred to the project tables for each county, as well as the statewide line item projects.

Mr. Arnold stated that staff does recommend adoption of this TIP amendment, and referred to a resolution on page 15 of the mailout. Mr. Donnelly made a motion to recommend adoption. Mr. Hammes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Recommended Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Funding Proposal to TRAC for MOT US 35 Widening Project

Mr. Martin referred to a memo on page 16 of the mailout. He explained that at the November Board meeting he presented a proposal that MVRPC will provide the local match for the MOT US 35 project, as long as TRAC funds the project. He reviewed the current status of the project and the hurdles that exist for construction which include; lack of local funding commitments and high cost of construction. However, ODOT recently reduced construction estimates from \$21M to \$14M. Mr. Martin explained that there have been recent discussions and support from local jurisdictions in the project area as well as the Dayton Chamber and area businesses. He reviewed the proposed use of Toll Revenue Credit (TRC) funding, which ODOT began allowing back in SFY2015. These TRC funds enable the use of more Federal funding in lieu of local cash match and uses more Federal STP than a normal project; 100% instead of 80. Mr. Martin stated staff met with TRAC on November 9th to present this proposal, which was agreed on, therefore, staff requests approval of the resolution on page 18 to forward this to the Board for adoption.

Mr. Geyer asked what Tier the project would be. Mr. Martin stated Tier 1. Mr. Geyer asked if there was any concern about this setting a precedent for future projects. Mr. Martin stated there is always a concern, which can be addressed if it comes up in the future, and perhaps it can be limited to other major widening projects. Mr. Hammes clarified that TRAC has approved this proposal contingent upon the passage of this resolution. Mr. Martin confirmed that the project is currently on the staff recommended list. Mr. Geyer wanted to clarify that the \$3M actually comes from 2024 STP funds that will not be available for other projects. Mr. Martin explained that the soft match TRC is \$581,000 which allows us to use more STP without cash. This is similar to other funding cycles, like the Superstreet project last year.

Mr. Steeber made a motion to approve. Mr. Conway seconded the motion. The motion passed, with one vote opposed.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Proposed New Projects Requesting MVRPC's STP and TA Funds

Mr. Arnold referred to a memo on page 19 of the mailout. The memo provided a table showing the funds requested and total project costs for both funding categories. He reported that a public involvement meeting was held on November 8th and one comment was received and is included in the packet. He reviewed project tables that provide more details for each of the project applications that were submitted. After each proposed project is evaluated and ranked, a final list of recommended projects will be reviewed, and a recommendation will be forwarded for final approval at the February/March meeting cycle.

B. Bikeway Counting Program Summary

Mr. Lee provided a summary of the Bikeway Counting Program currently being implemented by staff. He explained how data collection was collected from five agencies from 29 permanent counters as well as some short-term locations. Mr. Lee reviewed the methodology used for the program as well as the analysis which used permanent locations to develop monthly and weekly factors to apply to short term counts and estimate annual bike counts. He also reviewed numerous charts and graphs to illustrate these findings.

Mr. Lee also explained several maps showing the locations of the counts, and demonstrated how to access these maps on the website.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Martin referred to his November report on page 30 of the mailout. He reported that the report from the Federal Certification held back in August was released, and the agency is officially re-certified. The report included 4 commendations and 4 recommendations. The full report is available on the website. Mr. Martin noted that MVRPC will be leading a session at the upcoming Planning & Zoning Workshop titled "Let's Talk about Inequity in the Miami Valley". He announced that the Silver Tsunami workshop that was cancelled earlier in the month has been rescheduled for Thursday, December 7th at 10:30 at the Dayton Metro Library. His report also provided grant and funding information as well as a list of upcoming meetings.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gruner made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Donnelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.