

TAB PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes: December 9, 2010
Metropolitan Council Chambers.

Members Present: Bill Hargis, Co-Chair, Tony Bennett, Jan Callison, David Gepner, Robert Lilligren, Richard Mussell, Becky Petryk, Jill Smith, Dick Swanson, David Thornton, Jon Ulrich.

Guests and Staff: Pat Bursaw, MN/DOT Metro Program Management.
Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Coordinator.

I. Call to order.

Co-Chair Hargis called the meeting to order at 12:45 PM.

II. Adoption of the Agenda.

Ms. Callison moved, seconded by Ms. Petryk, to adopt the agenda. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

III. Approval of the Programming Committee minutes from November 17, 2010.

Ms. Callison moved, seconded by Mr. Mussell, to approve the minutes from the November 17, 2010 TAB Programming Committee meeting. Ms. Callison noted a typo in the first paragraph of page two. The motion and amended minutes passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. Information Items and Action Transmittals.

Information: 2011 Regional Solicitation.

Mr. Roggenbuck briefed the committee on progress toward developing the 2011 regional solicitation package. The technical committees are working on developing a draft 2011 solicitation document that includes the TAB's policy directions and a number of technical corrections. Mr. Roggenbuck said the CMAQ and Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) scoring groups have met and will forward several recommendations to the TAC Funding & Programming Committee in December. Mr. Roggenbuck said the goal is for the TAB to adopt a draft 2011 regional solicitation package in February for an open house/public meeting in March, starting the 2011 regional solicitation in April or May.

Information: 2011 Regional Solicitation: MPCA request for CMAQ funds for electric vehicle charging station infrastructure.

Mr. Roggenbuck reported that Fran Crotty of the MPCA presented their request to the TAC for \$500,000 in CMAQ funds for electric vehicle recharging infrastructure on December 1. The TAC members asked a number of technical questions and voted to refer the request to the TAC Funding & Programming Committee. The committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the TAB in February.

Information: Withdrawal of two regionally selected bridge projects.

Mr. Roggenbuck informed the committee that two regionally-selected bridge projects were dropped from the TIP by the project sponsor, Hennepin County. Mr. Roggenbuck explained that the two projects were dropped because the State Historic Preservation Office would not allow the bridges over the Midtown Greenway to be torn down and replaced due to the historic designation of the corridor. Mr. Roggenbuck explained that the federal funds that were awarded to these projects would be applied to the amount of overprogramming in the 2009 regional solicitation, as per adopted TAB policy.

2010-69: 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: Metro Transit.

Mr. Roggenbuck presented this item to the committee. Mr. Roggenbuck said Metro Transit is working with the city of Minneapolis to develop an east-west transit spine similar to the north-south transit routes on Marquette and 2nd Avenues. This amendment is necessary to include the Section 5307 funding in the TIP for this project. Mr. Lilligren said this project emerged from the Access Minneapolis study.

Mr. Lilligren moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to recommend adoption of the TIP amendment as described in action transmittal 2010-69. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2010-70: 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: MN/DOT.

Mr. Roggenbuck presented this item to the committee. Mr. Roggenbuck said the project currently in the TIP and STIP includes construction of a median barrier and HOT lane in the median of the roadway. After project development commenced, it was determined that it would be better to mill and overlay the existing adjacent through lanes (northbound and southbound) so that all pavement would remain the same age. This amendment is needed to add the mill and overlay of adjacent lanes to the description and increase the total cost of the project by \$1.8 million. The additional funds comes from savings due to low bids on another federally-funded highway project.

Ms. Smith asked about the age of the adjacent lanes. Ms. Bursaw said she was not sure but would find out and provide the information to Mr. Roggenbuck so he can forward it to the Board.

Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Callison, to recommend adoption of the TIP amendment as described in action transmittal 2010-70. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2010-71: 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: MN/DOT.

Mr. Roggenbuck presented this item to the committee. Mr. Roggenbuck said Mn/DOT is using part of its share of the metro allocation of unexpected federal formula funds due to the lack of earmarks in 2011. This project will use up \$19.8 million of the \$37 million available to the Metro District with a match provided by Chapter 388 Trunk Highway bonds. Mr. Roggenbuck said MN/DOT guidance to all district offices directed then to program additional pavement preservation projects.

Ms. Callison moved, seconded by Ms. Petryk, to recommend adoption of the TIP amendment as described in action transmittal 2010-71. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2010-72: 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: MN/DOT.

Mr. Roggenbuck presented this item to the committee. Mr. Roggenbuck said due to a shortage in state funds in FY2011, MnDOT Metro District has elected to change the funding type for this project to use available federal NHS funds. This amendment is needed to identify this project in the 2011-2014 TIP as using federal funds instead of State Funds from the Preventive Maintenance Setaside. The federal funds being used on this project are available due to savings on a FY 2011 project (1380-63) funded with ARRA. This project will use a portion of those savings

Mr. Swanson moved, seconded by Ms. Petryk, to recommend adoption of the TIP amendment as described in action transmittal 2010-72. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote

V. Other Business.

Mr. Hargis announced that the Metropolitan Council had appointed him as the TAB Chair on December 8. Mr. Hargis said he will not continue to co-chair the TAB Programming Committee. Mr. Hargis noted that Mr. Lilligren expressed interest in becoming a co-chair and invited others to step forward if they so desired.

VI. Adjourn

Mr. Hargis adjourned the Programming Committee meeting at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Kevin Roggenbuck,
TAB Coordinator.