

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (K.A.T.S.)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (M.P.O.)
MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2008

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Paukovitz	Illinois Department of Transportation
Dr. Gingerich	Bradley
Mr. Piekarczyk	Kankakee County
Mr. McBurney	Bourbonnais
Mr. Brooks	Aroma Park
Mr. Hoffmann	River Valley METRO Mass Transit District

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Scholl, Mr. Lamme, Mr. Greenstreet and Mr. Martin, Kankakee County; Mr. Videgar and Ms. Pillion, IDOT; Mayor Grimsley, Aroma Park; Mayor Kent, Bradley; Mr. Morgan, Journal; Mayor Grimsley, Aroma Park; and Jason Licon, Greater Kankakee Airport Authority

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Piekarczyk called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

MINUTES

Mr. Brooks moved approval of the October 24, 2007 minutes. Dr. Gingerich seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

AGENDA

Mr. Paukovitz moved approval of the Agenda, and Mr. McBurney seconded. Unanimous vote.

AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2008 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Lamme stated that the Accident Location grant to the Kankakee County Highway Department from the Illinois Department of Transportation was not in the original **FY 2008 TIP**, and that the document needed to be amended to reflect this project. Dr. Gingerich moved approval of the amended **FY 2008 TIP**, and Mr. Brooks seconded. Unanimous vote.

AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2008 UNIFIED WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Lamme stated that the proposed amendment reflects funding being moved from one line item to another, and is revenue neutral. Mr. Brooks moved approval of the amended **FY 2008**

Unified Work Program, and Mr. McBurney seconded. Unanimous vote.

STPU TIMELINES

Dr. Gingerich stated that a Public Information meeting on the proposed Cardinal Drive project had been held, and that the majority of the comments were reflective of water drainage issues. He stated that the revised project report had been submitted to IDOT. Mr. Videgar stated that the project is headed for a June letting. Mr. McBurney stated that the 6000 N Road project had been delayed for survey, as had the Brookmont Boulevard project. He stated that work on the project report was progressing on the Riverfront Trail project.

OBLIGATED PROJECTS LISTING

Mr. Lammey stated that the draft Obligated Projects Listing was sent by certified mail to all members of the Technical Advisory and Policy Committees in mid-December, and that a number of comments were received. He reviewed those changes in the final document.

HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Lammey stated that the HSTP was a requirement for federal transit funding written into the SAFETEA-LU legislation. He stated that the SAFETEA-LU legislation requires that the rural HSTP document is the responsibility of the state, but that there was no clear responsibility for the urban HSTP document. He stated that no 5316 (Job Access Reverse Commute), 5317 (New Freedom), or 5310 (Capital Assistance) federal transit grants can be approved without a plan being approved.

Mr. Hoffmann stated his belief that no one will be applying for 5316 or 5317 grants in the urban area, and Mr. Lammey agreed. Mr. Hoffmann questioned whether any agency could or would apply for 5310 funding in the urban area. Mr. Hoffmann made the suggestion that a survey of potential 5310 applicants about potential urban usage be conducted.

Mayor Kent stated his concern about the legal requirement of the urban plan. Mr. Hoffmann volunteered his legal counsel to give such an opinion. Chairman Piekarczyk asked if that would satisfy members of the committee, and the consensus was that it would.

SIGNATURE POLICY

Mr. Lammey stated that a request was made by an FHWA representative that every member of the Policy Committee sign the Resolution confirming the passage of the SAFETEA-LU Compliance Amendment, whether they were at the meeting or not. He stated that he was extremely uncomfortable with this request, and will be asking for a signature policy from the Policy Committee that would authorize the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Policy Committee. The members of the Technical Advisory Committee agreed with this proposal.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Chairman Piekarczyk stated that the next meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee would be on March 26, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Brooks moved adjournment, and Mr. McBurney seconded. Chairman Piekarczyk adjourned

the meeting at 11:42 A.M.