



MINUTES

**MACATAWA AREA COORDINATING COUNCIL
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

February 8, 2010

MACC office

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I. INTRODUCTIONS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Members Present: Brett Laughlin (Chair), Brian White, Linda LeFebre, Sandra Cornell-Howe, Don Komejan, Scott Nienhuis, Glenn Nykamp, Steve Redmond, Howard Baumann, Bill Nelson

Others Present: Peter Daining (Holland Sentinel), Elisa Hoekwater, Steve Bulthuis

It was moved by Mr. Nelson and supported by Mr. Nykamp to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2009, Technical Committee meeting as presented. The motion carried.

II. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Laughlin asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to speak. There was no public who wished to speak.

III. JOBS FOR MAIN STREET PROJECT SELECTION

Mr. Bulthuis referred committee members to the memo in their agenda packet noting that it had been suggested by MDOT that the MACC assemble a list of projects for potential funding from a second stimulus bill. Such a bill had been passed in the US House and the Senate could take action as soon as next week. It was agreed to use the same \$2.4M funding level as was awarded for local projects in ARRA and is to be split 30% OCRC/30% Holland City/20% Zeeland City/20% ACRC. The following list was developed:

Tier A

Name	Limits	Work	Length (miles)	JMS Funds	Agency
120 th AVENUE	James - Quincy	Resurface roadway	2.0	\$866,404	OCRC
WASHINGTON AVENUE	Franklin – Fairview	Resurface roadway	1.5	\$550,000	City of Zeeland
WAVERLY ROAD	8 TH – 24 th	Resurface roadway	1.0	\$375,000	Holland City
48th STREET	138 TH – 140 th	Resurface roadway	1.0	\$460,000	ACRC

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Tier B

Name	Limits	Work	Length (miles)	JMS Funds	Agency
BYRON ROAD	64 TH – 48 TH	Resurface roadway	2.0	\$900,000	OCRC
CENTENNIAL AVENUE	Main - Washington	Reconstruct roadway	0.25	\$290,000	City of Zeeland
LINCOLN AVENUE	24 TH – US 31	Resurface roadway	1.1	\$550,000	Holland City
48th STREET	136 TH – 138 TH	Resurface roadway	1.0	\$460,000	ACRC

Tier C

Name	Limits	Work	Length (miles)	JMS Funds	Agency
WAVERLY ROAD	48 TH - M-40	Resurface roadway	0.35	\$900,000	Holland City
64 TH STREET	Airport Ct. – M-40	Resurface roadway	2.1	\$1,200,000	Holland City

Transit Projects

Name	Limits	Work	Length (miles)	JMS Funds	Agency
BUS REPLACEMENT	Macatawa Area Express Service Area	Purchase replacement buses		\$650,000	MAX
CONSTRUCT FACILITY	Macatawa Area Express Service Area	Construct new facility		\$800,000	MAX
REHAB/RENOVATE FACILITY	Macatawa Area Express Service Area	Rehabilitate/renovate facility		\$200,000	MAX

It was noted that the transit projects were added to fulfill public participation requirements and would also be available to quickly capture any last minute bid savings if they could not be directed to another project.

Upon further discussion it was moved by Mr. Nykamp and supported by Mr. Nelson to recommend that the Policy Committee authorize staff to release the list of projects for public input and add to the FY2008-2011 TIP's illustrative list. Furthermore, allow staff, with TIP Development Committee approval, to modify project funding based on funding received and administratively move projects from the illustrative list into the TIP as needed. Motion carried.

IV. NONMOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Redmond gave an update on a nonmotorized mapping project being completed by the Grand Region with assistance from the West Michigan Planning Commission (WMPC). Several draft maps were reviewed. It was agreed that Mr. Redmond and WMPC staff would coordinate with Ms. Hoekwater to ensure that the nonmotorized pathway changes given to her will be reflected in MDOT's map as well. Ms. Hoekwater also gave a progress report on the status of the MACC's nonmotorized plan.

V. LONG RANGE PLAN ALTERNATIVES SCENARIOS UPDATE

Ms. Hoekwater reported on recent training that MACC staff had received in the use of *Community Viz* software. The community planning/analysis software will be used to create different development scenarios and test transportation impacts. In order to identify assumptions of land use type and density, MACC staff will be contacting local units of government to request current land use plans and zoning maps.

VI. WESTERN OTTAWA SIGNAL STUDY UPDATE

Mr. Bulthuis reported that an organizational meeting of the study's steering committee had been scheduled, a scope of work drafted and that a Request for Proposals would be issued in the coming weeks.

VII. STATUS OF CURRENT PROJECTS/MEMBER REPORTS

OCRC

Mr. Laughlin reported that a grade inspection for the River/Butternut project (s. of Lakewood Blvd-144th) was scheduled for next week with a June bidletting anticipated. The Riley St. widening project (120th-112th) is scheduled for the July letting. Improvements to 96th Avenue (Riley-ZC limits) will be bid locally.

Port Sheldon Twp.

Mr. Baumann reported that the nonmotorized pathway on Crosswell (1000' e. of Lakeshore-West Olive Rd) is scheduled for the April bidletting.

Zeeland City

Mr. Nienhuis reported the 104th Avenue project (Paw Paw-BL196) is scheduled for the March 5 bidletting. Reconstruction of Huizenga (Taft-104th) is scheduled for a local April bidletting.

ACRC

Mr. Nelson reported that the 136th Avenue (58th-Blue Star) project is scheduled for the March 5 bidletting. Replacement of the 48th Street Bridge is scheduled for the April bidletting.

MDOT-Grand Region

Mr. Redmond reported that the M-231/US31 Final Environmental Impact Statement had been signed by FHWA and was ready to be released for public review and comment. He noted that the priority segment in Holland (Lakewood-Quincy) was included in the final document. Comments on the document will be received until March 19.

Upon further discussion it was moved by Mr. Baumann and supported by Mr. Komejan to recommend that the Policy Committee authorize staff to send a letter in support of the improvements contained in the M-231/US31 Final Environmental Impact Statement. Motion carried.

MDOT-Lansing

Ms. Cornell-Howe reported that the Transportation Commission had approved a reduced Five Year Plan. She also noted that Congress had not yet acted on an extension of SAFETEA-LU which is set to expire on Feb. 28.

City of Holland

Mr. White reported that the 40th Street (S. Washington-Lincoln) project was in the February letting with work scheduled to begin late March/early April. Matt Urban (S.Washington-City Limits) is under design. The ditch enclosure project on 40th St. (Industrial-Waverly) will be obligated in 2010 but constructed in 2011. Resurfacing jobs on Waverly Rd. (BL196-8th), 32nd St (US31-Beechcreek) and Brooks Avenue (32nd-40th) are scheduled for completion after July 1.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

2010 Census

Mr. Bulthuis updated committee members on the activities being completed by the 2010 Census Complete Count committee

FY2009 Unified Work Program

Mr. Bulthuis noted that some adjustments would be made to the FY2010 Unified Work program including a task for the signal study and some additional funding being transferred from FY09.

FY2012 Safety Projects

Mr. Bulthuis reviewed the FY2012 Safety Program call for projects. He noted the eligible activities and selection criteria appear to be the same as previous years. It was decided that the committee would review, but not prioritize, projects nominated for FY2012 Safety funds at the March meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING

It was decided that the next meeting of the Technical Committee would be:

March 8, 2010

10:00 a.m.

Location: MACC offices