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COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 4:00pm
DeIDOT Administration Building, Farmington Felton Conference Room

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Nellius (Chairman), Bobby Fifer, John Gilbert, Marty Lessner, Lee Beetschen, and Ted Williams

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sue McNeil and Carolyn Thoroughgood

DELDOT STAFF PRESENT ON RECORD:

Jennifer Cohan, Secretary; Nicole Majeski, Deputy Secretary; Drew Boyce, Director of Planning; John Sisson, CEO Delaware Transit Corporation; LiWen Lin, Director Technology & Innovations; Lanie Thornton, Director of Finance; Annie Cordo, DOJ/DelDOT; Rob McCleary, Chief Engineer; Transportation Solutions; Shanté Hastings, Deputy Director, Transportation Solutions; Mark Alexander, Director of Maintenance & Operations; and Michael McConnell, Finance .

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES ON RECORD:

Jim Larleur, public; Ken Grant, public; DJ Hughes, public; and Vicki Ford, OMB

Chairman Nellius called the meeting to order with a review of the December 13, 2016 Council on Transportation (COT) Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve the minutes as written was followed by a second and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Secretary Cohan opened with welcoming statements. She gave remarks with a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation highlighted the Department's funding for FY2018, Trust Fund Revenues, and FY2018 State Capital Categories. Secretary Cohan provided an update on Project Prioritization which included; enhancements, re-evaluations, performance based planning/programming and being in line with Federal performance based planning requirements.



fDrew Boyce provided a Capital Transportation Program (CTP) FY18-FY23 update. He reviewed the proposed FY18 Capital Program which increases the State of good repair, maintained ADA improvement funding, community transportation funds, and municipal street aid. Drew reviewed the CTP hearings held in the fall which were coordinated with Wilmington Metropolitan Area Planning Council, Dover/Kent Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Salisbury Wicomico MPO, and Sussex County. The public comments received had no objection to the added projects. There was a comment to add a project to widen Kings Highway in Lewes. This was discussed and it was determined to add the project to the proposed FY19-FY24 plan.

Drew discussed the Projects that were completed in FY17. Those projects included SR1 Thompsonville Grade Separated Intersection, SR26 Clarksville to Assawoman Canal, US113 to SR404 intersection improvement, SR72/SR1 diverging diamond interchange, SR1 Rehoboth Canal to 5 points, and Patriots Way Avenue of Honor to Stockley Branch.

The CTP presentation concluded with Drew reviewing the CTP modifications. The modifications were:

- Camden Bypass, South Street to Rising Sun Road – extend preliminary engineering into FY19
- SR 299, SR 1 to Catherine Street – move construction phase up to FY19
- SR2 and Red Mill Road Intersection improvement – extend preliminary engineering into FY 19
- HSIP SR 24 to SR5/SR23 intersection improvements – extend preliminary engineering
- SR273 and Chapman Rd intersection improvements – extend preliminary engineering into FY19
- US 40 and SR 896 Grade separated intersection – delete construction phase from FY21
- Industrial Track Greenway , Phase III – extend construction phase into FY19
- Jamison Corner Road Relocated at Boyds Corner Road – extend construction phase into FY19
- Possum Park Road and Old Possum Park road intersection improvements – extend Right-of-Way phase into FY19

The Council was provided an updated implementation plan and spend plan for approval. Drew then turned it over to Chairman Nellius.

Chairman Nellius asked if there were any additional comments and questions from the Council or members of the public. Chairman Fifer asked what was driving the high ranking of #3 (Camden Bypass) and asked if it was safety issue. Drew responded that the project is influenced by the safety and congestion issues on US13. The Bypass will help distribute the

trips coming to and from the west side of Camden more evenly across the US13 corridor. This will have a positive impact on the US13 corridor.

With no further questions or comments, Councilman Ted Williams made a motion to adopt the CTP and Councilman John Gilbert seconded. With no objections, the plan was unanimously approved.

Drew concluded with a highlight of DelDOT's strategies for the multimodal program. Currently DelDOT is soliciting public comments on the Statewide Bike Plan. It is Policy document that outlines the framework for a more consistent approach to help realize a lower stress multimodal network.

Chairman Nellius opened the floor to public comment.

DJ Hughes addressed the Council regarding the SR1 and Cave Neck Road Project. Mr. Hughes asked that the Council and the Department consider constructing the SR1 and Cave Neck Project prior to the construction of the SR16 and SR1 Grade Separation Project. Mrs. Hughes also reiterated his written comments to add the Kings Highway Project to the CTP.

With no additional comments or questions, Councilman Lessner made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Fifer seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Belford, Recording Secretary