



STATE OF DELAWARE  
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## COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION

### Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 2:00pm

### Zoom and In Person Meeting

#### **Council Members Present:**

Ted Williams (Chairman), Marti Dobson, John Gilbert, Thomas Holmes, Bobby Fifer, Marti Lessner

#### **DelDOT Staff:**

Nicole Majeski, Secretary; Shanté Hastings, Deputy Secretary & Chief Engineer; Pam Steinebach, Director of Planning; Todd Reavis, Director of Technology and Innovation; C.R. McLeod, Director of Community Relations; Brad Eaby, Deputy Attorney General-DelDOT; Ken Feaster, Deputy Attorney General-DelDOT; John Sisson, CEO-DTC; Cameron Turner, DelDOT-DTC; Kendall Small, DelDOT-DTC; Sanyee Barjogar, DelDOT; Susanne Laws, DelDOT; Mike DuRoss, DelDOT; Anson Gock, DelDOT; Bruce Allen, DelDOT; Jay Gerner, DelDOT; Amy Anthony, Director, DMV; Steve Bayer, DelDOT; Austin Gray, DelDOT; Cooper Bowers, DelDOT; Colton Phillips, DelDOT; Sarah Coakley, DelDOT; Humaira Nabeela, DelDOT; Liddy Campbell, DelDOT; Kelly Valencik, DelDOT; Yassin Alallaq, DelDOT; Lanie Clymer, Director of Finance; Amanda Giuttari, DelDOT Finance; Melanie Carlson, DelDOT Finance; Nicole Johnson, DelDOT Finance; Alan Marteney, DelDOT; DelDOT: Taylor Stynchula, DelDOT; Maureen Kelly, DelDOT

#### **Guests:**

Doug Atkin, FHWA; Enos Han, FHWA; Michael McConnell, OMB; Peter Brown, DART; Tigist Zegeye, WILMAPCO; Valerie Wood; Jamie Whitehouse, Sussex County; Emy Diaz; Jeff Hilovsky, Leg Hall; Mike Petit de Mange, Dover/Kent MPO; Heather Dunigan, WILMAPCO; Malcom Jacob, Dover/Kent MPO; Marc Coté, Rossi Group; Meghan Niddrie, Office of Highway Safety

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#### **Agenda Item # 1: Review and Approval of Minutes (December 14, 2023):**

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order by congratulating Shanté Hastings becoming the 2024 Government Engineer of the Year Award and he also announced Breanna Kovack was awarded the 2024 Young Engineer of the Year Award. Chairman Williams followed with a review of the agenda.

He moved to the first agenda item of approval for the last COT meeting minutes on December 14, 2023, and entertained a motion for approval. Councilwoman Marti Dobson made a motion to approve. Councilman Thomas Holmes seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by the Council.

**Agenda Item #2: Secretary Update:**

Secretary Majeski provided a PowerPoint presentation on DelDOT updates. Her briefing included a slide on: Safety in Transportation. Secretary Majeski announced the Delaware Highway Safety Summit will take place on April 17, 2024 and will send the registration link to the Council members to sign up.

**Agenda Item # 3: Review and Approval of FY25-FY30 Capital Transportation Program (CTP)**

Pam Steinebach and Shanté Hastings presented a PowerPoint presentation for FY25-30 Proposed CTP projects. The briefing included updates on the Implementation Plan.

Councilman Lessner asked about Governor Prince between Claymont and Wilmington, it's currently a 4-lane road, is it going to be turned into a 2-lane road with bike paths? Pam responded by stating it will be turned into a 2-lane road with the possibility of a shared use path.

Councilman Williams entertained a motion to approve and adopt the FY25-FY30 Capital Transportation Program. Councilman John Gilbert made a motion to approve. Councilwoman Marti Dobson seconded the motion. Councilman Williams signed off on the COT approval letter and it will be submitted to Governor John Carney.

**Agenda Item # 4: Long Range Transportation Plan Presentation**

Jay Gerner provided a PowerPoint presentation on the DelDOT Long Range Transportation Plan. His briefing included updates of the Overview of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and requirements; Main Concept and Document Structure; Schedule/Timeline and Public Engagement.

Councilman Williams asked about public engagement regarding the Long Range Transportation Plan if there is an opportunity to offer workshop areas in each County, like small libraries and include a virtual options for folks to join in either in person or virtually.

Pam Steinebach answered stating that all public workshops offer a hybrid option.

Bruce Allen also answered stating that he and Jay Gerner are working on utilizing the Public Input Webpage as an outreach method to gather input from the community.

Pam Steinebach shared suggestions made from attendees online regarding the outreach for the Long Range Transportation Plan. One of the suggestions is to have a Pod Cast event and the other suggestion was to have an Earth Day event.

#### **Agenda Item #5: Prioritization Process Updates**

Pam Steinebach provided a PowerPoint presentation for the COT Project Prioritization Criteria, which included the current Prioritization Processes. Pam also presented a COT meeting timeline and information for the Council to discuss on revamping the Prioritization Processes. Pam also briefly discussed the Resiliency and Sustainability environmental factor and mentioned that this information will be presented at the upcoming COT special meeting.

#### **Agenda Items #6 – Public Comment**

Chairman Williams opened the floor for any public comment.

A question was asked about the 2019 Long Range Transportation Plan, stating that it was approximately 248 pages and the question is will the new Long Range Plan be a smaller version and the answer is yes, it will be about 50-60 pages, which will be helpful to navigate and understand.

Chairman Williams entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Williams made a motion to approve, and Chairman Lessner seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Liddy Campbell, Recording Secretary