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COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 4:00pm
DeIDOT Administration Building, Middletown/Odessa Conference Room

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ted Williams (Chairman), John Gilbert, Lee Beetschen, Pam Scott, and Tom Holmes

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Martin Lessner, Bobby Fifer, and Carolyn Thoroughgood

DELDOT STAFF PRESENT ON RECORD:

Ken Feaster, DOJ/DelDOT; Lanie Thornton, Director of Finance; Aimee String, Legislative Relations; Drew Boyce, Director of Planning; Anson Gock, Planning; Mike DuRoss, Planning; Melanie Carlson, Finance; Amanda Giuttari, Finance.

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES ON RECORD:

DJ Hughes, DBF; Ken Grant, AAA

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order. Since the council was one member from quorum, Chairman Williams suggested a movement in the agenda. Another council member was expected and once they arrived, he review the previous meeting minutes for review. Chairman Williams asked Drew Boyce to begin the presentation of the Prioritization Process.

Drew began with details of staff efforts made since the last meeting to refine the enhanced prioritization criteria and how they are assessed. Staff has meet with DelDOT's executive team and established new percentages that will be shared with the Council during this meeting. He stated that the intent of enhancing the prioritization process was to continue to increase the data driven decision process. He then introduced Anson Gock with DelDOT Planning for review of the CTP Project Prioritization Criteria Comparison.

Anson provided a criteria comparison with existing weights to the proposed weights. The presentation provided details on the impact of public/social, disruption/environmental justice criteria comparison and social and health elements. Anson and Mike DuRoss reviewed the four types of investment levels for Transportation that is consistent with the Office of State Planning Strategies for Delaware State Policies and Spending.

With no comments or questions on the presentation, Councilman Williams asked the council for comments or a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes for April 15, 2019. A motion was made to approve the minutes and Councilwoman Scott seconded the motion. The April 15, 2019 meeting minutes were unanimously approved. Chairman Williams then suggested the next meeting have an earlier start time, which the council agreed. The next meeting will occur in mid to late July.

Drew provided an update on Senate Bill 66 titled Biennial CTP. The bill has been signed by the Governor. Staff have been working with the MPOs to establish a capital program development schedule. The next schedule will be included in the meeting materials for the next COT meeting. The meeting will also include an update on the Long Range Transportation Plan. Drew updated on Senate Bill 61 which established the Transportation Improvement Investment Fund (TIFF) and is awaiting the Governor's signature. Once SB61 is signed it will still require a regulatory process.

Chairman Williams asked the Council and public if they had any comments or question. Ken Grant with AAA provide some comments regarding the WILMAPCO criteria mentioned in the presentation. He supported the efforts to the proposed changes. DJ Hughes commented on 2 specific projects. Mr. Hughes discussed the Kings Highway project and the ranking of Cave Neck and Minus Conaway.

With no additional comments or questions, Councilman Williams requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, followed by a second to the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Belford, Recording Secretary