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COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 4:00 PM
DeIDOT Administration Building, Dover Conference Room

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pete Nellius (Chairman), Irwin G. Burton, Bobby Fifer, John Gilbert, Marty Lessner, Sue McNeil, and Ted Williams

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lee Beetschen, and Carolyn Thoroughgood

DELDOT STAFF PRESENT ON RECORD:

Jennifer Cohan, Secretary; Nicole Majeski, Deputy Secretary; Drew Boyce, Director of Planning ; Shanté Hastings, Deputy Director Trans. Sol.; Robert McCleary, Chief Engineer; Mark Alexander, Director M&O; Hugh Curran, Director of Finance; John Sisson, CEO Delaware Transit Corporation; Annie Cordo, DOJ/DelDOT; LiWen Lin, Director Technology & Innovations; Bill Geronimo, DelDOT Finance; Brian Motyl, DelDOT Finance; and Amanda Belford, Planning recording secretary.

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Natalie Barnhart, RK&K; and James Wilson, Bike Delaware.

Chairman Nellius called the meeting to order with a review of the August 4, 2015 Council on Transportation (COT) Meeting Minutes. Councilman Williams made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Councilman Burton and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Drew Boyce gave a briefing of the Bike Council and the requirement of a COT council member to be represented. Councilman Lessner volunteered to serve as the COT representative on the Bike Council. Councilman Williams made the motion to nominate Councilman Lessner to the Bike Council, seconded by Councilman Fifer and the council unanimously approved.

Secretary Cohan opened with welcoming statements and appreciation to the council members for their role in the COT. She gave remarks with a PowerPoint presentation highlighting Financial Updates, review of Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, and the New US 301 Mainline Toll Project. FAST Act continued programs and new initiatives were discussed. There were several questions regarding the Delaware Ports and proposed plans. Secretary Cohan explained she represents DelDOT on the Legislative Task Force. The Task Force will meet in January and the topic will be added to the next COT Meeting in February to give the Council an update. The US301 sources and uses of funds were also discussed.

Drew Boyce provided a summary of the CTP hearings and public comments. The hearings were coordinated with the MPOs which assisted with advertising, locations of the meetings and the overall successful turnout. The hearings provided information on HB140, new projects added to the 6-year CTP, and specific project information. Mr. Boyce summarized the comments from each county. Based on the public comments DelDOT is not recommending any changes to the proposed plan but does plan to use the comments received in the development of the specific projects. Chairman Lessner requested an updated copy of the CTP.

Chairman Nelliuss asked if there were any additional comments and questions. With no further questions, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman McNeil, seconded by Councilman Gilbert, and unanimously approved by the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Belford - Recording Secretary