

# Minutes McLEAN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION Transportation Policy Committee

# Friday, September 27, 2019 11:30 a.m. MCRPC, Government Center, 115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois

# Committee Members Present (*italics indicated members represented by proxy*)

Carl Teichman	Chair, Transportation Policy Committee and McLean County Regional Planning Commission
William Caisley	Chair, McLean County Transportation Committee, by proxy Luke Hohulin
<i>Chris Koos Tari Renner</i> Scott Neihart	Mayor, Town of Normal, by proxy Wayne Aldrich Mayor, City of Bloomington, by proxy Jim Karch IDOT District 5

## Others Present

James Kyte	FHWA
Curtis Jones	IDOT
Jennifer Sicks	MCRPC

## Call to Order

Mr. Teichman called the meeting to order at 11:31 a.m.

## Public Comment

Ms. Sicks advised that no request for public comment was received, and that no one appears present to comment.

## **Minutes**

Mr. Aldrich offered a motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2019 meeting of the Policy Committee, and was seconded by Mr. Neihart. The motion was unanimously approved.

## Items for Action, as forwarded by the Technical Committee

# Amendment #1 to the FY 2020-2024 TIP

Ms. Sicks noted that Amendment #1 includes funding changes to District 5 projects J043 and D082. It also includes a new project, K030, consisting of \$3.6 million in State and Federal funds for Phases I and II studies of the Main Street corridor identified in the 2016



State application for TIGER funding to pursue the implementation of the Main Street development and feasibility studies; the Committee greeted this addition with enthusiasm. Mr. Neihart noted that K030 is part of the capital bill, and until the full state program is released, some caution in discussing the Main Street study is warranted. Local representatives expressed their thanks, and noted the possibility of adjusting the terminal locations for the project. Mr. Aldrich noted that local agencies would be happy to assist in promoting this project.

Mr. Karch moved for approval of Amendment #1 and was seconded by Mr. Aldrich. The motion was unanimously approved.

## Approval of the 2019 Federal Transportation Investment Report

Ms. Sicks noted that the report follows the format established last year, and also that this year's report is somewhat shorter than has been the case recently. Mr. Riley executed the maps featured in the report. Information from Connect Transit was added following the Technical Committee, and TIP references were added to project descriptions.

Mr. Neihart moved for approval of the 2019 Federal Transportation Investment Report, and was seconded by Mr. Aldrich. The motion was unanimously approved.

## Items of Information or Discussion

Ms. Sicks noted that the committee meeting schedule now indicates that the Policy Committee will meet on the fourth Friday of each month, but further notes there are conflicts for both Mayors. A revised copy of the schedule has been provided to committee members, and efforts are underway to discuss any necessary changes to the Policy schedule. Ms. Sicks noted that several current issues need discussion at the Policy level in order to find resolution. Mr. Neihart noted that IDOT staff have some potential ongoing conflicts.

## Next Meeting

The Committee is next scheduled to meet at 11:30 am on October 25, 2019.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

Seeing no objection, Mr. Teichman adjourned the meeting at 11:41 a.m.

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