CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORT

December 16, 2015

Bob Summersgill, Chair

On December 10, the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) discussed the upcoming TPB agenda and the proposed work plan for the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group. The committee also discussed and voted on a CAC recommendation that the TPB and member jurisdictions commit to eliminating all traffic fatalities no later than 2035. This recommendation requested that each jurisdiction develop a plan for eliminating traffic deaths.

DRAFT RESOLUTION TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC DEATHS IN THE REGION

Members discussed the recommendation to eliminate traffic deaths in the region, for presentation to the TPB. Some members expressed concern that the resolution was too general and suggested it include more concrete steps that the TPB can take.

Kanti Srikanth, TPB staff director, remarked that MAP-21 requires the TPB and states to monitor and meet targets for both traffic fatalities and serious injuries. He suggested members consider this as they draft the recommendation.

Members decided the new recommendation would include language around implementation and CAC involvement. Members took a vote on the draft resolution, which was passed.

WORK PLAN ON UNFUNDED CAPITAL NEEDS PROJECTS

John Swanson, of TPB staff, presented both changes to the draft 2016 CLRP Call for Projects and the proposed work plan for the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group. TPB staff have included a new assessment in the 2016 Call for Projects, to meet the TPB's request for the CLRP to more closely integrate with the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan. The draft Call for Projects will require both the TPB and member jurisdictions to more closely demonstrate how projects relate to the Priorities Plan.

Mr. Swanson detailed the TPB's proposed work plan to address the Unfunded Capital Needs project list. The proposal included three main phrases: 1) Develop a baseline report based on "no-build" and "all-build" scenarios, 2) Develop a plan of Unfunded Regional Priority Projects, and 3) Develop the quadrennial update to the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan. Per the proposal, the 2018 CLRP would include an unconstrained element, based on the results of phases 1 and 2.

Committee members expressed concerns about the length of time the proposed work would take, and whether it will adequately address political concerns, land use coordination or financial constraints. Mr. Swanson emphasized that the work plan is still in draft form and will be revised.

OTHER DISCUSSION

- Kanti Srikanth reviewed the agenda for the upcoming December TPB meeting.
- Staff announced that the final meeting of the 2015 CAC would be on January 14. The membership for next year's committee will be appointed by the TPB on January 20.

ATTENDEES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Summersgill (DC) Keith Benjamin (DC) Veronica O. Davis (DC) Gary V. Hodge (MD) Jeff Parnes (VA) Lorena Rios (VA) Tom Sanchez (DC) Alex D. Tremble (MD) Emmet Tydings (MD)

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Nancy Abeles (MD) Rob Jackson (VA) Emily Oaksford (DC) Tina Slater (MD)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Holly Muhammad (DC) John D. Epps (MD) Jeremy Martin (MD) Andrea Hamre (VA) Douglas Stewart (VA) Stephen Still (VA)

TPB STAFF

Kanti Srikanth John Swanson Bryan Hayes Lamont B. Cobb

GUESTS

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RECOMMENDATION THAT THE TPB COMMIT TO ELIMINATING TRAFFIC DEATHS

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) requests the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) and member jurisdictions commit to eliminating all traffic fatalities no later than 2035. The CAC requests that each jurisdiction develop a plan to eliminate all traffic fatalities. The CAC requests each jurisdiction issue a yearly report on their progress in eliminating all traffic fatalities. The CAC further requests that the CAC be involved with the implementation of this recommendation if adopted by the TPB.