

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date: Friday, September 9, 2011
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: Training Center
777 N. Capitol Street, N.E.

- 9:00 1. **Welcome and Approval of Minutes from the July 8 Technical Committee Meeting**
..... Chairman Kellogg

ITEMS FOR THE BOARD AGENDA

- 9:05 2. **Update on the Rail~Volution Conference in Washington DC October 16-19**
The mission of Rail~Volution is to create a national movement that uses transit to develop livable communities – those that are healthy, economically vibrant, socially equitable, and environmentally sustainable. The Committee will be updated on the conference program of over 75 sessions, mobile workshops, networking events, and charettes. (attachment is www.railvolution.org.)
..... Marti Ann Reinfeld, DDOT
- 9:15 3. **Briefing on the Proposed TPB Project Application for Funding Under the FY 2011 Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) Competitive Grant Program**
On July 1, USDOT released in the Federal Register the Interim Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for \$527 million in discretionary surface transportation grant funding for the TIGER III program, with pre-applications due on October 3 and final applications on October 31. The Committee will be briefed on the recommended local projects for the application to implement pedestrian and bicycle access improvements in rail station areas. The TPB will be asked to approve the recommended projects and pre-application on September 21 and the final application package on October 19. (Attachment)
..... Eric Randall, DTP
- 9:45 4. **Briefing on Housing and Transportation Cost Study for the Washington Metropolitan Area**
At the July 8 meeting, the Committee was briefed on the final report for the Housing and Transportation Cost Study for the Washington Metropolitan Area prepared by the DC Office of Planning and the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT). The Committee will be briefed on the study presentation for the September 21 TPB meeting. (Attachment)
..... Art Rodgers, DC Office of Planning
- 10:10 5. **Briefing on Household Travel Survey of Fourteen Geographic Subareas of the Region**
In response to the need expressed by local jurisdiction users of the 2007/2008 Regional Household Travel Survey to have additional household samples in smaller geographic subareas, new household travel survey data will be collected in FY 2012 from 4,800 households in fourteen focused geographic

subareas of the region to permit more intensive analysis of specific growth and transportation issues. The Committee will be briefed on the schedule and proposed subareas to be surveyed.

..... Robert Griffiths, DTP

10:30 6. **Briefing on the Transforming Governance of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority: Phase 1 Recommendations Report by the Governance Work Group (GWG) Appointed by the Governors of Maryland and Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia**

The GWG was established in January 2011 by the two Governors and the Mayor to make recommendations to improve governance at WMATA. As part of its work, the GWG requested and received research support from TPB staff on five topics related to WMATA board functions and funding needs. The public comment period on the GWG Phase I report ended August 25. The Committee will be briefed on the report recommendations and public comments. (Attachment)

.....Bruce Gartner, MDOT

10:50 7. **Status Report on Study of Public Attitudes Toward Road-Use Pricing**

In October 2009, the TPB approved the submission in partnership with the Brookings Institution of a grant proposal to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to investigate issues related to the public acceptability of road-use pricing in the Metropolitan Washington Region. The grant was awarded in late 2010. The study will use a series of invitation-based *deliberative forums* to explore public attitudes toward a variety of pricing options, ranging from variably priced lanes to system-wide vehicle-based pricing systems. The Committee will receive a status report on the schedule and activities to date for the study. (Attachment)

..... John Swanson, DTP

11:10 8. **Briefing on the Draft Call for Projects and Schedule for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2012 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP**

The Committee will be briefed on the draft call for projects document and schedule for the air quality conformity assessment for the 2012 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP. The TPB will be asked to approve the final call for projects document at its October 19 meeting. (Attachment)

..... Andrew Austin, DTP

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

11:20 9. **Update on a Draft Regional Policy on Complete Streets**

At the June 15 TPB meeting, the CAC requested that the TPB develop and approve a Regional Policy on Complete Streets and that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee take the lead in developing this policy. The Committee will be updated on the development of the draft policy.

..... Michael Farrell, DTP

11:30 10. **Briefing on a New Sensitivity Test for the CLRP Aspirations Scenario**

The "CLRP Aspirations" scenario, completed and reported to the TPB in September 2010, integrates a regional network of toll lanes and bus rapid transit with more concentrated growth in mixed-use activity centers. The Committee will be briefed on the results of a sensitivity test of the scenario that

analyzes the impact of a lower-cost “streamlined” variably priced lane network with less new construction and more conversion of general purpose lanes to variably priced lanes. (Attachment)

..... Erin Morrow, DTP

11:45 11. **Update on Amendments to the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to Revise the Budget, Respond to the Federal Transportation Planning Certification Review, and Incorporate the Scope and Process to Develop a TPB Regional Transportation Priorities Plan**

At the July 8 meeting, the Committee was briefed on an amendment to the 2012 UPWP budget to reflect changes in new FY 2012 funding and adjustments in the unobligated FY 2010 funding provided by DDOT, MDOT and VDOT. The Committee was briefed on amendments to the FY 2012 UPWP to implement the recommendations and corrective actions included in the federal certification report on the transportation planning process for the Washington DC-VA-MD Transportation Management Area. At the July 20 meeting, the TPB approved the scope and process to develop a TPB Regional Transportation Priorities Plan for incorporation into the FY 2012 UPWP. The Committee will be updated on these amendments to the FY 2012 UPWP, which will be presented to the TPB for approval at its October 19 meeting. (Attachment)

..... Ron Kirby, DTP

11:55 12. **Other Business**

12:00 13. **Adjourn**

Enclosures not referenced in the above agenda:

- Report of the Citizens Advisory Committee