

MINUTES

**Grand Valley Metropolitan Council
Transportation Division
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 7th, 2016
Kent County Road Commission
1500 Scribner NW Grand Rapids, MI**

Harrall, chair of the Technical Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Voting Members Present

Wayne Harrall (<i>Chair</i>)	<i>Proxy for</i>	Kent County
	<i>Mike DeVries</i>	Grand Rapids Township
Mike Burns		City of Lowell
Scott Conners		City of Walker
Rick DeVries		City of Grand Rapids
Jim Ferro		Ada Township
Art Green		MDOT-GRTSC
Tim Haagsma		Gaines Charter Township
Russ Henckel	<i>Proxy for</i>	City of Wyoming
	<i>Bill Dooley</i>	City of Wyoming
Brett Laughlin		OCRC
Matt McConnon		Courtland Township
Julius Suchy		Village of Sparta
Steve Warren		Kent County Road Commission
Rod Weersing		Georgetown Township
Chris Zull		City of Grand Rapids

Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present

Andrea Dewey	FHWA
Andrea Faber	GVMC Staff
Erin Haviland	GVMC Staff
Abed Itani	GVMC Staff
Laurel Joseph	GVMC Staff
Dennis Kent	MDOT
Clark MacFarlane	Kent County Road Commission
Darrell Robinson	GVMC Staff
Norm Sevensma	WMEAC-RWBC
Rick Sprague	Kent County Road Commission
George Yang	GVMC Staff
Michael Zonyk	GVMC Staff

Voting Members Not Present

Jerry Alkema	Allendale Township
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Alex Arends
Ken Bergwerff
Tim Bradshaw
Terry Brod
Ron Carr
Tim Cochran
Mike DeVries
Bill Dooley
Bill Fischer
Rod Ghearing
Roy Hawkins
Dennis Hoemke
Jim Holtvluwer
Doug LaFave
Darrell Harden
Audrey Nevins Weiss
Steve Peterson
Terry Schweitzer
Tom Stressman
Dan Strikwerda
Roger Towsley
Toby VanEss
Phil Vincent

Alpine Township
Jamestown Township
City of Kentwood
Cannon Township
City of Grandville
City of Wyoming
Grand Rapids Township
City of Wyoming
Plainfield Township
ITP-The Rapid
KCDA/GRFIA
Algoma Township
Ottawa County
East Grand Rapids
MDOT
Byron Township
Cascade Charter Township
City of Kentwood
City of Cedar Springs
City of Hudsonville
Village of Sand Lake
Tallmadge Township
City of Rockford

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Harrall entertained a motion to approve the May 4th, 2016 Tech Committee minutes.

MOTION by Haagsma, SUPPORT by Laughlin, to approve the May 4th, 2016 Technical Committee meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IV. FY2014-2017 AND FY2017-2020 TIP AMENDMENTS/MODIFICATIONS

Referring to **Item IV: Attachment A**, Robinson explained that MDOT is requesting to amend/modify several FY2017 projects and GPAs listed in the FY2014-2017 TIP as well as the FY2017-2020 TIP. The specific requests are as follows:

FY	JN	Route	Location	Work Description	Phase	Total Cost Est. (\$000)	Change
17	112067	M-44	Wolverine Blvd. to Blakely Drive	Reconstruct	Const.	\$3,400	Trunkline Hwy 3R GPA Project-Cost Increase
17	118178	M-44	Blakely Drive to Myers Lake Ave.	Add Center LT Lane	Const.	\$2,259	Trunkline TOS GPA Project-Cost Increase

17	122658	M-37	Sparta Ave to M-37/M-46 Round-About	Resurface	Const.	\$4,177	Trunkline Hwy. Preserv. GPA Project-Cost Increase
17	105481	M-21	M-37 to I-96	Concrete Joint Repairs	PE	\$120	Trunkline Hwy. Preserv. GPA Project-Abandon Phase
17	123339	US-131 & I-196	M-11 to I-96 & M-45 to Fuller Ave.	Upgrade Luminaire Heads to LED	Const.	\$2,700	Trunkline Roadside GPA Project-Cost Increase
17	119012	US-131 *	M-57 to M-46 (Cedar Spr. /White Creek Ave.)	Reconstruct	Const.	\$35,000	TIP Line Item Project-Cost Increase
17	N/A	Various	Areawide – GPA	Trunkline Roadside Infrastructure Improvemt.	Var.	\$3,000	TIP Line Item Project-Cost Increase
18	117992	US-131 *	10 Mile Rd. to M-57	Reconstruct	Const.	\$40,000	TIP Line Item Project-Cost Increase
19	128671	Various	GRTSC Area	HMA Crack Treatment	Const.	\$500	Trunkline Hwy. Preserv. GPA Project-Chg Year from '17 to '19

Zonyk explained to the Committee the Non-Motorized Plan List Amendment. A Non-Motorized meeting was held to assign projects for fiscal years 2017-2020 through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). Four projects were recommended by the Non-Motorized committee to be added to the 2014 Non-Motorized Plan Project list. They are as follows: (These are not included in the TIP.)

- Nelson Township—17 Mild Rd-E of Cedar Springs to Ritchie Ave; Ritchie Ave from 17 Mile S to S of Becker St-Sidepath-1.1 miles-\$330,000
- City of Walker—Leonard St-Wilson Ave to Kinney Ave-Sidewalks-0.5miles-\$250,000
- City of Walker—Richmond St.-Pheasant Dr. to 110' East; Mullins Ave to Maplerow Ave-Sidewalk-N.Side-0.61miles-\$125,000
- City of Wyoming—Plaster Creek Trail-Buchanan Ave to Division Ave-Shared Use Path-0.25 miles-\$550,000

Harrall asked for approval to add these 4 projects to the agenda and accept these 4 projects onto the 2014 Non-Motorized Plan List.

MOTION by Ferro, SUPPORT by Zull, to approve the 4 projects to be added to the 2014 Non-Motorized Plan List. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Harrall asked for comments on each amendment. Hearing none, he asked for a motion.

MOTION by McConnon, SUPPORT by Haagsma, to recommend to the Policy Committee approval of the FY2014-2017 and FY2017-2020 TIP

amendments/modifications requested by MDOT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. FY2014-2017 TIP UPDATE

Referring to **Item V: Attachment A**, Robinson explained that staff made some modifications to the TIP during the summer that were not significant enough to require formal committee approval and included the following:

- MDOT requested to add an additional phase (“Z” phase) listed in the FY2014-2017 TIP to an already approved project-I-196 westbound over the Grand River, US-131 and local streets for FY2016-for \$225,000
- The City of Grand Rapids requested to have the advanced construction of the Michigan Street project-Monroe Ave to Ionia Ave in FY2016 and conversion in FY2017-changed to only construction in FY2017. The City also requested to move a FY2016 CMAQ project-Fiber Communications-to FY2017 and move a FY2017 project-Signal Optimization-to FY2016.
- On behalf of the American Red Cross, Georgetown Seniors, Hope Network and Senior Neighbors, staff added several Technical and Policy Committee approved FY2016 5310 projects to the FY2014-2017 TIP.
- The KCRC requested to add \$78,878 to an approved FY2016 TAP project M-6 Fred Meijer M-6 Trail Phase IV due to left over funding that was not anticipated.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Itani stated that staff has been busy finishing up ratings in the van and that data should be available in the next few weeks.

Conners asked about the Cascade project-DDI Project. Green stated it was ahead of schedule by a week or so as long as the weather holds up. Conners also made a suggestion of having a work group get together between meetings. Green agreed this was a good idea especially going into 2018, since MDOT will have many projects that year that will limit the number of detour routes available. Harrall suggested Art Green host those work groups.

Harrall also informed the committee that the Preventative Maintenance Project is 50% complete.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Harrall adjourned the September 7th, 2016 Technical Committee meeting at 10:09 am.

MOTION by Conners, SUPPORT by Zull, to adjourn the Technical Committee Meeting on September 7th, 2016. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.