

MINUTES

RURAL TPSG MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 2013

9:00 AM

GRAND VALLEY METRO COUNCIL
CONFERENCE ROOM

678 Front Ave NW, Suite 200

Itani asked those present to introduce themselves. Since Harrall is the chair of the Tech Committee, Itani asked Harrall to chair the Rural Committee as well. Harrall called the meeting to order at 9:14 am.

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Voting Members Present

Wayne Harrall, *Chair*
Jan Hoekstra
Joan Konyndyk
Steve Redmond

KCRC
ITP-The Rapid
Hope Network
MDOT

Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present

Andrea Faber
Steve Hartman
Abed Itani
Jon Moxey
Darrell Robinson
Kirk Thielke
John Weiss

GVMC Staff
Hope Network
GVMC Staff
Village of Sand Lake
GVMC Staff
Village of Sand Lake
GVMC Staff

Voting Members Not Present

Sandy Ayers
Andrew Bostwick
Mark Burgess
(No designated representative)

Village of Caledonia
Village of Kent City
American Red Cross
Village of Casnovia

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Harrall entertained a motion to approve the February 26, 2010 Rural TPSG Committee Minutes.

MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Redmond, to approve the February 26, 2010 Rural TPSG Committee minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

APPROVED

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ITEM II: ATTACHMENT A

None

IV. SELECTION OF FY2014-2017 RURAL PROJECTS

Referring to **Item IV: Attachment A** and a handout, Robinson explained that the purpose of today's meeting was to program STP-Rural funds for FY2014-2017. He noted that although FY2014 had been programmed during the development of the last TIP, the last year of the previous TIP is always revisited.

2014

Robinson noted that FY2014 was currently overprogrammed by nearly \$800,000. Itani encouraged the Committee to fund the KCRC's Cascade Road project from Pratt Lake Ave. to the County Line, which was a carryover project from FY2014 of the FY2011-2014 TIP, and Hope Network's Small Cutaway bus project. This would leave approximately \$170,000 in available funding. Harrall suggested that the remaining funding be put toward the KCRC's Patterson Ave. from 100th to 108th St. project listed in FY2015. The project would then move forward to FY2014, with the remainder to be advance constructed in FY2015. Harrall added that the KCRC's 6 Mile from Alpine to Walker and 7 Mile from Walker to Fruit Ridge projects, which were submitted for FY2014 funding, could move to the illustrative list. Discussion ensued.

2015

Robinson noted that FY2015 was also overprogrammed. Itani asked the Village of Sand Lake to discuss their Lake St. from 5th St. to Northland Dr. project, noting the high cost to reconstruct this relatively small section of roadway. Moxey provided additional details about the project, noting that the cost was high because of the amount of work needed to complete the project and because it was located in the downtown area. Itani noted that items such as sidewalks and sewers are not eligible for federal funding. Several suggestions were offered as to how to fit this project in the TIP. Thielke offered to move the project to FY2017, and a minimum of \$165,000 was to be reserved for the project, as there was not enough funding available to fund the project fully. If more funding became available, it would be added to the project. Itani noted that he would work with the Village of Sand Lake regarding their project, and that an administrative fee of approximately \$1,800 would apply since they are not GVMC members. Weiss encouraged them to consider joining the Metro Council, as it may be in their best interest to do so. Discussion ensued.

Harrall asked if additional buses could be purchased in FY2015 to utilize the remaining funding. Hoekstra agreed to move forward her replacement paratransit bus projects from FY2016 and FY2017, and Konyndyk also agreed to move Hope Network's small cutaway bus project from FY2016 to FY2015. Robinson noted that FY2015 was then overprogrammed by \$27,000. Itani stated that staff would work with the match until the numbers balanced.

2016

FY2016 was also overprogrammed. Harrall agreed to fund the KCRC's Division Avenue project from 100th to 108th St. Their Lincoln Lake from 6 Mile to 7 Mile project would then move to the illustrative list. The \$29,000 left on the table would also go toward the KCRC's underfunded Division Avenue project.

2017

After adding Sand Lake's project to FY2017, the year was significantly overprogrammed. Harrall asked to keep the Lincoln Lake from 5-Mile to 6-Mile project on the list, and to move all remaining KCRC projects to the illustrative list, including their 6 Mile from Walker to Fruit Ridge project, their 7 Mile from Alpine to Walker project, and their Lincoln Lake from 7-Mile to Belding Rd. project.

Harrall entertained a motion to accept the FY2014-2017 STP-Rural project lists.

MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Redmond, to recommend to the Technical Committee approval of the STP-Rural project lists for FY2014-2017.

After some consideration, Harrall stated that he preferred to move the Lincoln Lake from 5-Mile to 6-Mile project to the illustrative list, and to move the Lincoln Lake from 7-Mile to Belding Rd. project back to the STP-Rural list in FY2017.

AMENDED MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Redmond, to recommend to the Technical Committee approval of the STP-Rural project list for FY2014-2017, as presented, with the addition of Harrall's change. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussion, comments and questions ensued.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Harrall entertained a motion to adjourn the February 13, 2013 Rural TPSG meeting.

MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Redmond, to adjourn the February 13, 2013 Rural TPSG Committee meeting at 9:39 am. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.