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MINUTES

Grand Valley Metropolitan Council
Transportation Division
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING STUDY GROUP
Wednesday, February 13, 2013
Grand Valley Metro Council 678 Front Ave NW

Zull called the meeting to order at 9:43 am. The Committee members, staff, and guests present introduced themselves.

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Voting Members Present

Chris Zull (<i>Chair</i>)		City of Grand Rapids
Tim Cochran		City of Wyoming
Scott Conners		City of Walker
Ken Feldt		City of East Grand Rapids
Tim Haagsma	<i>Proxy for</i>	Gaines Township
	<i>Steve Warren</i>	KCRC
Wayne Harrall	<i>Proxy for</i>	County of Kent
	<i>Mike DeVries</i>	Grand Rapids Township
Russ Henckel	<i>Proxy for</i>	City of Wyoming
	<i>Bill Dooley</i>	City of Wyoming
Jan Hoekstra		ITP-The Rapid
Dennis Kent	<i>Proxy for</i>	MDOT
	<i>Mark Howe</i>	City of Lowell
Stephen Kepley	<i>Proxy for</i>	City of Kentwood
	<i>Terry Schweitzer</i>	City of Kentwood
Brett Laughlin		OCRC
Steve Redmond	<i>Proxy for</i>	MDOT
	<i>Dal McBurrows</i>	MDOT
Tom Stressman		City of Cedar Springs
Phil Vincent		City of Rockford

Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present

Andrea Faber	GVMC Staff
Steve Hartman	Hope Network
Abed Itani	GVMC Staff
Joan Konyndyk	Hope Network
Jon Moxey	F & V (Sand Lake)
Darrell Robinson	GVMC Staff
Joe Slonecki	City of East Grand Rapids
Kirk Thielke	Village of Sand Lake
John Weiss	GVMC Staff

Voting Members Not Present

Jerry Alkema	Allendale Township
Sandy Ayers	Village of Caledonia
Ron Carr	City of Grandville

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Sharon DeLange
Mike DeVries
Rick DeVries
Bill Dooley
Roy Hawkins
Mark Howe
Ray Lenze
Terry Schweitzer
Dan Strikwerda
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City of Hudsonville
KCRC

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Zull entertained a motion to approve the January 30, 2013 Transportation Programming Study Group (TPSG) meeting minutes.

MOTION by Harrall, SUPPORT by Laughlin, to approve the January 30, 2013 TPSG meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV. PROGRAMMING OF PROJECTS FOR FY2014-2017 TIP

Referring to **Item IV: Attachment A** of the agenda and a handout, Robinson stated that the purpose of today’s meeting was to program CMAQ funds for FY2013-2017. Discussion ensued.

2013

Zull stated that the City of Grand Rapids’ College and Michigan project, which was split between FY2013 and FY2014, isn’t ready for construction and asked if it could be postponed to a future year in the TIP. This would leave \$280,000 in available funding in FY2013. Hoekstra stated that she could put that funding toward a bus. Haagsma offered to move up the KCRC’s 12-Mile at M-37 intersection project, scheduled for FY2015. The cost of the project was \$240,000 in federal funds. Hoekstra noted that the remaining \$40,000 could be put toward free bus rides on Clean Air Action Days.

Zull proposed that the \$280,000 portion of the College and Michigan project listed in FY2013 be moved to FY2015, that the KCRC’s 12-Mile at M-37 intersection project listed in FY2015 be moved forward to FY2013, and that the balance in FY2013 be put toward funding free bus rides on Clean Air Action Days. He then entertained a motion to approve the FY2013 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP.

MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Harrall, to approve the FY2013 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP, as identified. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2014

Zull asked to move the City of Grand Rapids’ College and Michigan project listed in FY2014 to a later year in the TIP. Itani asked the Hope Network to reaffirm that they did not need

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the Diesel Bus listed in FY2014 because they received rural funds for the project. Hartman responded that this was correct. After these changes, approximately \$700,000 was available in FY2014 CMAQ funds. Zull asked for proposals to utilize these funds.

Hoekstra stated that she could put the funding toward buses. Haagsma stated that the KCRC's Spaulding Avenue at Cascade project could move forward from FY2017 to FY2014. Zull stated that the City of Grand Rapids could hold on to some of the CMAQ funds for the College and Michigan project, if available. Itani proposed moving the majority of the College and Michigan project to FY2016, the Spaulding Avenue at Cascade project forward from FY2017 to FY2014, with the remaining balance of funding going toward the City of Grand Rapids for their College and Michigan project. Zull then entertained a motion to approve the FY2014 CMAQ project list.

MOTION by Conners, SUPPORT by Haagsma, to approve the FY2014 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP, as identified. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kent noted that MDOT's 2014 I-96 EB "C" phase project should be corrected to say I-96 EB "A" phase.

2015

Itani stated that there was approximately \$161,000 in available CMAQ funds in FY2015. Zull proposed that these funds be added to the Michigan and College project listed in that year. No other proposals were presented to the Committee. Discussion ensued.

Zull entertained a motion to approve the FY2015 CMAQ project list.

MOTION by Haagsma, SUPPORT by Harrall, to approve the FY2015 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP, as identified. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2016

Itani noted that FY2016 was overprogrammed by almost \$2 million. He added that the Committee had already committed to East Grand Rapids to fund their Lake Drive at Breton Rd. intersection project. Harrall asked for information on the City of Kentwood's Nonmotorized Facility project. Kepley discussed the project, stating that it was part of the master plan for nonmotorized trails for the area. Itani noted that, according to current policies, the Committee doesn't fund such projects under CMAQ. Discussion ensued. Conners suggested that this project be considered for TAP funding in the future, and that regional support be pledged to work on this project and other regionally significant projects with the Nonmotorized Committee over the next couple of years to develop solutions. This project was removed, and FY2016 remained overprogrammed by approximately \$373,000.

Kepley stated that the City of Kentwood's East Paris Avenue at 28th St. Intersection project could move to FY2017. Harrall stated that the KCRC's Belmont Ave. South of 10 Mile Rd. project needed to stay in FY2016. Itani asked for clarification on the OCRC's 48th Avenue from M-45 to Pierce St. project. Laughlin stated that this project is needed because the Rapid is currently picking up GVSU students in the grass along this route because there are no nonmotorized facilities. Itani suggested that the OCRC consider applying for TAP funding since, according to past protocol, CMAQ funds generally are not used on nonmotorized projects. Laughlin asked the Committee to make an exception, and the Committee allowed it. Hoekstra offered to bring down the number of replacement buses

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from two to one in FY2016, which left \$20,000 on the table. Several proposals were received, and the Committee decided to grant Hoekstra her request to add this additional funding to her replacement bus project, since the cost would be higher since she was only buying one bus instead of two. Discussion ensued.

Zull entertained a motion to approve the FY2016 CMAQ project list.

MOTION by Haagisma, SUPPORT by Cochran, to approve the FY2016 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP, as identified. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2017

Zull stated that with the changes that had been made, additional funding remained on the table. Zull proposed that all remaining FY2017 funding go toward the City of Grand Rapids' College and Michigan project. Itani suggested moving the KCRC's 28th St. at Kraft Ave. project to the illustrative list. Conners suggested waiting to make additional changes since the final cost of the Michigan and College project is unknown. Itani agreed, since the last year of a TIP is always speculative. Zull then entertained a motion to approve the FY2017 CMAQ project list.

MOTION by Conners, SUPPORT by Harrall, to approve the FY2017 CMAQ project list for the FY2014-2017 TIP, as identified. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Zull entertained a motion to adjourn the February 13, 2013 TPSG Committee meeting.

MOTION by Hoekstra, SUPPORT by Haagisma, to adjourn the February 13, 2013 TPSG Committee meeting at 10:24 am. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.