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MPO Transportation Technical Advisory Meeting
Morgantown Airport Terminal Building 1st Floor
Morgantown Monongalia MPO Conference Room
August 7, 2016
1:30 PM

Members Present

Damien Davis-City of Morgantown, Brian Carr-WV DOH, Dave Bruffy-MLTA, Bill Austin-MMMPO, Rich Wood-Monongalia County Planning, Chris Fletcher-City of Morgantown, Fouad Shoukry-WV DOH

Members Absent

Ron Snyder, James Meadows, Donny Williams, Scott Wright, Chandra Inglis Smith, Clement Solomon, Arlie Forman

Others Present

Whitmore, John-City of Morgantown, Jing Zhang-MMMPO

1. Call to Order

Mr. Austin called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. Meeting attendees introduced themselves.

2. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Austin noted that the minutes of the March meeting were included in the agenda packet. Mr. Fletcher moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Wood. With no discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

3. Long Range Transportation Plan Update Steering Committee

The TTAC Committee acted as the Steering Committee for the update of the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan. Several representatives from the community participated with the TTAC on this portion of the Agenda. This agenda item is included in separate minutes.

4. TIP Amendment

Mr. Austin noted that the Division of Highways has requested two TIP amendments. One amendment is the north central rail map update and the other is the Mon River trail map update. Both amendments involve developing and printing maps and brochures for the trails in the Morgantown area. Mr. Wood moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Fletcher. With no discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Austin then noted that the Division of Highways has requested the MPO to administratively adjust the TIP by moving the Campus Drive intersection project to FY 2017. This item does not require any action.

5. University Avenue Complete Streets Study Video

Mr. Austin noted that the consultant's for the University Ave Complete Street Study have developed a video demonstrating many of the proposed improvements along the University Ave corridor. The video has been uploaded to Youtube and will be posted on the MPO's website. The TTAC commended the video and noted that it will be useful in future grant applications for the projects proposed in this study.

6. I-79 Access Study Update

Mr. Austin noted that the consultants conducting the I-79 Access Study have completed modeling analysis for all alternatives identified in the previous planning process and have conducted a preliminary assessment on the potential impact of those alternatives based on evaluation criteria developed in the last meeting. The analysis outcomes will be review in during the steering committee meeting and stakeholder's meeting in September. The study team will hold a public meeting in October for community input.

7. Update on Public Input on University Ave and Collins Ferry Rd Intersection Project.

Mr. Austin noted that the Division of Highways is seeking public comments on alternatives to improve the intersection of University Ave and Collins Ferry Rd. Mr. Shoukry introduced five alternatives identified at the intersection. Alternatives are aimed to improve both traffic safety and efficiency at the intersection. Mr. Austin noted that the project is adjacent to schools and residential areas. Pedestrian and bicycle safety should be thoroughly considered.

8. Project Update WV DOH

Mr. Shoukry updated several projects that the DOH is developing in the Morgantown area. Mileground reconstruction project, Monongalia Blvd TWLTL project, West Run widening project, I-68 Exit 7 EB ramp left turn lane project, and Greenbag Rd and WV 7 intersection improvement project.

9. Meeting Adjournment

There being no further business. The meeting adjourned at 2: 30 PM.