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Date: June 22, 2011 (Wednesday) at 3:30 p.m.
Place: Ingham County Human Services Building, Conference Room D/E
5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing MI 48910

Attendance: See attached attendance sheet.

Staff Present: Susan M.C. Pigg, Paul Hamilton, Steve Skinker, Maria Habba

The meeting was called to order by C/Bauerle at approximately 3:30 p.m.

I. Introductions/Minutes

It was MOVED by C/Tennis, SUPPORTED by C/Osieczonek, to approve the May 11, 2011 minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

II. FY 2012 Work Program

Hamilton said the Draft 2012 Work Program was enclosed in packets along with a copy of the FY 2011 budget summary for comparison. Hamilton briefly summarized changes between the 2011 Work Program and the Draft 2012 Work Program. He said federal revenue assumptions maintain the same funding levels as FY 2008 (no increase or decreases). Hamilton explained that a rough scope of services and timeline was drafted in getting the next Plan done by October 27, 2014. A request for proposal (RFP) is scheduled to be drafted in the fall with the intent of having consultants on board by next year. Hamilton explained with the exception of having full funding from carryover agreed to by MDOT in advance which fills a gap in ½ of a technician position and additional modeling tasks, there are no other changes to the program. There was discussion on modeling work TCRPC is responsible for. Hamilton noted one correction: \$50,000 of match will need to be shifted within a CATA task. CARTS and the Work Program/Budget Subcommittee recommend approval.

It was MOVED by C/McGrain, SUPPORTED by C/Veenstra, to recommend approval of the FY 2012 Work Program and budget subject to editing and corrections. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. TIP Amendments

A. MDOT (9 projects + GPAs) – MDOT requests the following changes or additions to the TIP. CARTS recommends approval.

1. US 127 northbound from I-496 to M-43 exit ramp – 2011 CMAQ funds to construct an auxiliary weave lane. Length: .418 mile; Project costs: \$2,490,119 (100% Fed); Source: 2011 CMAQ
2. Six bridges on I-96 in Lansing – Railing and bearing replacement – Project costs: \$1,717,338 Fed + \$190,814 State = \$1,908,152; Fed Source: 2012 Interstate Maintenance

(Over)

3. **US 127 and M-21 northwest quadrant, Clinton County – Mill and resurface carpool lot: Project costs: \$83,951 Fed + \$18,616 State = \$102,567; Fed Source: 2013 STP discretionary**
4. **Three bridges on US 127 in DeWitt Township – Includes pin and hanger replacement, plus joint repair: Project costs: \$870,156 Fed + \$217,539 State = \$1,087,695; Fed Source: 2014 Bridge rehabilitation (BHN)**
5. **I-69 (Thornapple River to I-96) – Preliminary engineering for two course overlay in Eaton County: Length: 7.054 miles; Project Costs: \$2,473,446 Fed + \$274,827 State = \$2,748,273: Fed Source: 2014 Interstate maintenance**
6. **M-43 (Park Lake to Dobie) – Right of way acquisition for future resurface project in Meridian Township: Length: 2.07 miles; Project costs: \$6,548 Fed + \$1,452 State = \$8,000 Federal source: 2014 STP discretionary**
7. **M-43 (Park Lake to Dobie) – Preliminary engineering for future resurface project in Meridian Township: Length: 2.07 miles; Project costs: \$339,993 Fed + \$75,379 State = \$415,312: Federal source: 2014 STP discretionary**
8. **I-96 at Williamston Road interchange, southwest quadrant, Ingham County – Resurface and minor expansion of carpool lot: Project costs: \$131,679 Fed + \$29,199 State = \$160,878: Federal source: 2014 STP discretionary**
9. **U.S. 127 under Lake Lansing Road, Ingham County – Overlay and steel repair for overpass: Length: .06 mile: Project cost: \$1,796,263 + \$449,066 State = \$2,245,329: Fed source: 2014 bridge rehabilitation (BHN)**

MDOT has funds for these programs. It was **MOVED** by C/Tennis, **SUPPORTED** by C/Veenstra, to recommend approval of adding the MDOT projects above to the 2011-2014 TIP. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. **MDOT – TEDF Category “A” approved project on M-50 (Upland and Shepherd Streets) in Charlotte will reconstruct and add a continuous center left turn lane in anticipation of future expansion of nearby Spartan Motors. Termini: I-69 BL (Cochran) to I-69 northbound ramps; Length: .91 miles; Project costs: \$2,160,000 State + \$540,000 Local = \$2,700,000; State source: Transportation Economic Development Fund, Category A**

FHWA, MDEQ and MDOT determined that this project is not regionally significant and not subject to conformity determination. This project will improve emissions.

It was **MOVED** by Tennis, **SUPPORTED** by Veenstra, to recommend approval of adding the MDOT, TEDF Category A project in the City of Charlotte to the 2011-2014 TIP. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- C. **Meridian Township – Ingham County Road Commission, on behalf of Meridian Township, applied for Enhancement Streetscape funds for a project on Okemos Road. This project was approved in the 2006 TIP. The project termini and scope have since evolved, with MDOT’s concurrence, to better meet the community’s preference. Current termini: Jolly to Clinton; Length: 2.4 miles; Revised scope: add post top street lights and landscaping; Project costs: \$324,399 Fed + \$139,028 Local = \$463,427 (Fed source: Enhancement)**

Hamilton explained that this project was in the 2006-2008 TIP; however, the project was delayed and is not in the current TIP. Enhancement funds are still available for this project. CARTS recommends approval. C/Veenstra provided a brief history of this project. It was MOVED by C/McGrain, SUPPORTED by C/Tennis, to recommend approval of the Okemos Road enhancement with streetscape termini and scope revisions.

C/Tennis asked if a public hearing was held on the latest version of this project. It was noted that this project has been in the works for several years and is complementary to work in the downtown area (intersection of Okemos and Hamilton). This project has been discussed at several board meetings over the last few years. It was explained that Enhancement funds are awarded directly to the communities and if they're not used they go back to the state for redistribution elsewhere.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- D. CATA – Requests the following changes or additions to the TIP. Hamilton said these are all separate items, each relatively minor in scope. CARTS recommends approval.**
- 1. CATA recently adopted a System Security and Emergency Preparedness Plan. CATA would like to shift some Section 5307 funds from “contractual services” to “emergency response drills.”**
 - 2. Addition of \$18,188 to existing 2011 New Freedom program to reflect 2011 appropriation which will go toward purchase of enhanced ADA lifts on paratransit buses.**
 - 3. Adjustment to 2011 5307 formula funds to reflect a 1 percent addition to current federal amount, with some shifts in allocation as identified in the attachment.**
 - 4. Technical correction to add \$22,050 in state match for 2012 CMAQ Public Education program.**

It was MOVED by C/McGrain, SUPPORTED by C/Yorko, to recommend approval of adding the CATA amendments to the 2011-2014 TIP. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- E. CATA – TIGER III – CATA is submitting an application for a multi-modal passenger transportation facility to the illustrative list. TIGER III or comparable funding is sought in cooperation with East Lansing, MSU and other regional partners. The application is to replace the existing building and construct a new AMTRAK station.**

It was MOVED by C/Tennis, SUPPORTED by C/McGrain, to recommend approval of adding the TIGER III application/project for a new AMTRAK station to the 2011-2014 TIP illustrative list. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IV. Status of 2011 Urban STP and CMAQ Projects

Staff distributed the status of 2011 Urban STP and CMAQ projects as reported at the June CARTS meeting, and reviewed TIP administrative amendments. As requested by the Commission in May, staff got CARTS feedback on projects ready to advance if the Michigan Avenue Extension project could not be obligated so regional federal funding would not be lost. C/Tennis said Eaton County was unable to attend the meeting and wished they were notified that this item would be discussed. Hamilton explained that the intent of the discussion was not to exclude Eaton County, but to respond to the Commission. There was further discussion. C/Tennis noted that the letter to MDOT and FHWA regarding the environmental assessment was helpful and he is optimistic that the Michigan Avenue Extension will be obligated in time.

Hamilton noted two right of way issues with CMAQ projects. He will keep the Committee updated.

V. **New Procedures for TIP Amendments**

Staff is developing an electronic template that member agencies will be requested to use when submitting TIP amendment requests.

VI. **Status Reports**

- Michigan Flyer – Hamilton said this item was tabled at the CARTS meeting and will be brought back through in July. He distributed related correspondence to Committee members.
- MDOT's 2011-2015 Five-Year Transportation Program – MDOT will present their Five Year program at the June 29th Commission meeting.
- Administrative Changes – Skinker listed the following changes: **Eaton Rapids** – Category A project brings .87 miles of mostly existing road to all season standards to accommodate industrial park traffic. Project is moved from the illustrative list. **CATA, EATRAN, Clinton Transit** – Adjusted FTA Section 5311 operating money to reflect actual allocation. **Clinton Transit** – Adjusted (Job Access/Reverse Commute) Section 5316, operating money to reflect actual allocation. **Clinton Transit** – Minor change in Phase II facility upgrade project (deleted reference to security equipment). **CATA** – Added 2010 CATA New Freedom funding into 2011 year as a carryover project as previously approved by TCRPC action, October 27, 2010. **Clinton County Road Commission** – Adjusted project termini Wright Road Rural STP project to align with reduced CCRC project scope and assure TIP consistency of project description with CCRC's final plan. No change in project cost.
- CMAQ Process Redesign – Hamilton said a new process has been identified that makes the program more efficient and will reduce the time to get through this process by 40%. All recommendations have been approved and implementation task forces will begin work to revise the process.
- Draft Re-Authorization Bill Discussion – Hamilton distributed a skeleton letter describing a draft re-authorization proposal to eliminate metropolitan planning organization in areas of under 200,000 population, and briefed the Committee on impacts on areas like ours.
- Women Business Enterprise (WBE)/Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Presentation – A representative from Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will present WBE/DBE requirements at the June 29th Commission meeting.
- Non-Motorized Task Force – Deferred to a future meeting in the interest of time.

VII. **Other/Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

COMPOSITE ATTENDANCE RECORD
TRANSPORTATION REVIEW COMMITTEE 2011

C=Cancelled
A=Alternate
A1=1st Alternate
A2=2nd Alternate
A3=3rd Alternate

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	1/12	2/9	3/9	4/13	5/11	6/22	7/20	8/10	9/14	10/12	11/9	12/7	TOTAL
Clinton County: Clinton County Road Commission Bauerle	C	X	C	X	X	X							
Eaton County: Eaton County Road Commission Pizzo EATRAN Tennis Osieczonek	C C	X X	C C	X X	X X	X X							
Ingham County: Ingham County Road Commission Beard McGrain Veenstra Dravenstatt-Moceri	C C C C	X X X X	C C C C	X X X X	X X X X	X X X X							
Lansing City: CATA Wood Yorko Monsma	C C C	X X X	C C C	X X X	X X X	X X X							
MDOT: McBurrows	C	X	C	X	X	X							
TOTAL VOTING MEMBERS		12		9	12	8							
<u>NON VOTING MEMBERS:</u> CATA: D Alexander J Ball (May 2010) N Wilson (A-1)	C	X	C	X	X	X							
EATRAN: Webb	C		C										
CRAA: Daigle	C		C			X							
FHWA: Pickard	C		C										
MDEQ: Rusch	C		C										
TOTAL		13		10	13	10							

Others in attendance: 4/13/11 – C/John Boles, Eaton County; Chad Gamble, Andy Kilpatrick, City of Lansing; John Daher, Steve Hayward, Lansing Township; R. Douglas Kosinski, Citizens Against Extending Michigan Avenue; William S. Ballanger, Waverly Hills Association; Bob Pugh, Waverly Hills Subdivision. 6/22/11 – David Pohl, TCRPC Chair/Clinton County; Nicole Wilson, CATA; Blair Ballou, ECRC.