



MINUTES
MCLEAN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Friday, November 28, 2017 11:30 a.m.
Government Center, Room 345
115 East Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois

Committee Members Present (*italics indicated members represented by proxy*)

Vasu Pinnamaraju	Chair, Executive Director, MCRPC, Jennifer Sicks as proxy
Jerry Stokes	McLean County Highway Department, County Engineer, and as proxy for <i>Bill Wasson</i>
Kevin Kothe	City of Bloomington, City Engineer, and as proxy for <i>David Hales</i> and <i>Jim Karch</i>
Gene Brown	Town of Normal Engineer, and as proxy for <i>Mark Peterson</i>
Robert Nelson	IDOT District 5, Planning & Services Chief
Brian Trygg	IDOT District 5, Acting Local Roads & Streets Engineer
Isaac Thorne	Interim General Manager, Connect Transit
<i>Carl Olson</i>	Central Illinois Regional Airport

Others Present

Phil Allyn	City of Bloomington, City Traffic Engineer
Tom Caldwell	IDOT, Office of Planning and Programming
Vontra Giles	Federal Highway Administration
Luke Hohulin	McLean County Highway Department, Asst. County Engineer
Jennifer Sicks	MCRPC

Call to Order

Ms. Sicks called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Ms. Sicks advised that no request for public comment regarding the general agenda was received.

Minutes

Ms. Sicks noted a correction by Mr. Nelson regarding a project description, which will be added to the minutes. Mr. Brown offered a motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2017 meeting of the Technical Committee as so modified, and was seconded by Mr. Stokes. The motion was unanimously approved.



OPEN PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:37

Public Hearing regarding *BN Mobile: 2017 Long-Range Transportation Plan for the Bloomington-Normal Urbanized Area*

Ms. Sicks noted that no one was present to offer public comment, and further noted that she has not received any written comments.

Ms. Sicks noted that the review period covered seven weeks, to account for holidays. MCRPC did request that partner agencies submit comments and that they also push the request for comments to their contacts and partners.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:40

ITEMS FOR ACTION

Review and recommendation for action by the Policy Committee regarding *BN Mobile: 2017 Long-Range Transportation Plan for the Bloomington-Normal Urbanized Area*

Ms. Sicks described the document and its components. Ms. Giles noted that the first two appendices are difficult to read; Ms. Sicks noted that those appendices are derived from the comprehensive plan reports, and she will look for versions with better graphic reproduction. She further noted that the appendices go to the intent of cross-aligning the LRTP with the municipal comprehensive plan. Once received, the freight study report will be added as an appendix.

Mr. Brown offered a motion to approve *BN Mobile: 2017 Long-Range Transportation Plan for the Bloomington-Normal Urbanized Area* and was seconded by Mr. Nelson. The motion passed unanimously.

Items of Information or Discussion

Functional Classification

Ms. Sicks noted that comments on proposed functional classification are due by December 11, 2018. Comments may be sent to Mr. Nelson. Mr. Nelson described the reasoning behind the proposed changes vis-à-vis the national highway system.

Mr. Caldwell noted that this is an opportunity for local agencies to comment. Ms. Sicks will forward the documentation to the Committee for review.

Other Matters for Discussion

Ms. Giles noted that a freight assessment survey will be sent by FHWA for completion by the



end of January 2018.

Mr. Trygg distributed the chart of federal funding availability through the District programming process, and requested information regarding local agency projects to assist the District 5 funding allocation process. Ms. Sicks noted that this information will also be added to the current TIP.

Next Meeting

The Technical Committee will meet on January 26, 2018. Mr. Caldwell requested meeting schedules for calendar 2018. Ms. Sicks noted that the schedule for the remainder of the fiscal year has been posted.

Adjournment

Mr. Kothe moved for adjournment and was seconded by Mr. Brown. Ms. Sicks adjourned the meeting at 11:52 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer A. Sicks".

Jennifer A. Sicks
Land Use/Transportation Planner
McLean County Regional Planning Commission