

Minutes
Peoria-Pekin Urbanized Area Transportation Study (PPUATS)
Policy Committee

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 9:00 am
456 Fulton St, Suite 420
Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order
Chairman Morris called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
Karen Dvorsky, IDOT	x		Jim Ardis, City of Peoria	x	
Terrisa Worsfold,* IDOT	x		Leon Ricca, Bartonville	x	
Scott Sorrell, Peoria County	x		Bob Lawless,* Bartonville		x
Stephen Morris, Peoria County	x		James Dillon, West Peoria	x	
Greg Sinn, Tazewell County	x		Kinga Krider,* West Peoria		x
Mike Harris, Tazewell County	x		Jeff Kauffman, Village of Morton	x	
Greg Menold*, Tazewell County		x	Ginger Herman,* Village of Morton		x
Doug Huser, Woodford Co.	x		Matt Fick Peoria Heights		x
Donald White, Chillicothe	x		Kyle Smith,* Peoria Heights	x	
John McCabe, City of Peoria		x	Fred Lang, Creve Coeur		x
Dave Mingus, City of E. Peoria		x	Terry Keogel* Creve Coeur		x
Jeff Eder*, City of E. Peoria	x		Gary Manier, Washington	x	
Scott Reiese, City of Peoria		x	Jim Culotta,* City of Washington		x
Patrick Urich, City Manager	x		Sharon McBride, CityLink	x	
,* City of Peoria			Doug Roelfs* CityLink	excused	
Nick Stoffer,* City of Peoria	x		Mark Rothert* City of Peoria	x	
Ross Black,* City of Peoria	excused		Mike Hinrichsen, Germantown Hills	x	

Staff: Reema Abi-Akar, Hannah Martin, Ryan Harms, Andrew Hendon Ray Lees, and Michael Bruner. Also present: Betsy Tracey- FHWA, Tony Sassine- IDOT, Mike Vanderhoof- IDOT, Jon Paul Kohler- FHWA, Krishina Welch- FTA, and JD Stevenson-FHWA

3. Public Comment-none

4. Approval of Minutes – February 7, 2018 Meeting
Dillon moved to approve the February 7, 2018 meeting minutes and Ricca seconded. Motion carried.
5. Chairman’s Report-none

Chairman Morris moved #10 up on the agenda

10. Discussion of Willow Knolls Dr/Allen Rd FY21 STU Project
Harms briefly explained the process that awarded \$1,274,000 in FY21 STU funds to the Willow Knolls Dr/Allen Rd Intersection Reconstruction project. He then briefly explained Peoria County’s request for the FY21 funds to be used for the Glen Ave Reconstruction project instead.
 - Sorrell went through a brief presentation, explaining Peoria County’s urgency to reconstruct the Willow/Allen intersection. In order to utilize the STU funds awarded to the project, Peoria County would have to wait until FY21 to reconstruct the intersection. The County has determined that the intersection cannot wait until FY21 and it must be reconstructed as soon as possible.
 - Sorrell said that Peoria County wishes to begin construction on the intersection this year and will fund the project locally in cooperation with the City of Peoria. The County requests that the \$1.274 million in STU funds awarded to Willow/Allen be repurposed for another Peoria County project that can wait until FY21, Glen Avenue between Knoxville Avenue and Sheridan Road.
 - Rand stated that the Peoria County has created and signed an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Peoria to fix County roads located in the City, and that this project is the result of cooperation between the two entities.
 - Harris asked if the request was in violation of any rules, and if any such request has been made or granted before.
 - Harms stated that this situation does not have a precedent.
 - Hinrichsen said that the law makers have failed their constituents by not raising fuel tax for keeping up with road safety.
 - Manier said this is a policy matter, and that the Willow/Allen intersection is a regionally-significant project.
 - Sinn acknowledged that every entity has roads that they cannot afford to fix, but we do have a process and we should stick with it. He is interested in seeing what Technical will have to say about changing the process.
 - White said that regional priorities outweigh process in this case.
 - Ricca said we may need to change process for safety.
6. Approval of January Financial Report and Performance Report – *Memo*
 - a. Approval of Resolution 18-01 American Planning Assn. National Conference
Dillon moved to approve Resolution 18-01 American Planning Assn. National Conference and McBride seconded. Motion carried.
 - Harms explained that a staff member wishes to travel out of state for the APA National Conference. Hinrichsen said he would like to hear back from the staff member going, Planner Reema Abi-Akar.

- b. Approval of Resolution 18-02 Complete Streets Seminar
Stoffer moved to approve Resolution 18-02 Complete Streets Seminar and Ricca seconded. Motion carried.
 - o Harms explained this is for the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Strong Towns for a speaking engagement, and for other expenses related to the May 2018 Complete Streets Symposium not to exceed \$15,000.
 - o Lees added there will be a planning professional session in the evening on the first day and panel session the next day. It will be held May 9th and 10th.
- c. Approval of Resolution 18-03 APWA Conference
Sinn moved to approve Resolution 18-03 APWA Conference and McBride seconded. Motion carried.
 - o Harms explained PPUATS is to sponsor the 2018 American Public Works Association Illinois Chapter Conference for an amount not to exceed \$7,500.
 - o Sinn asked what the benefit to PPUATS was. Harms and Miller explained that all PPUATS members may receive free education and networking at the event.
 - o Smith said this is a good thing, very beneficial and support totally.

7. Public Hearing: Quadrennial MPO/TMA Certification Review

Dillon moved to open the Public Hearing: Quadrennial MPO/TMA Certification Review and McBride seconded. Motion carried.

Ms. Tracey- FHWA reported on the following:

- FHWA/FTA jointly review and evaluate the transportation planning process for each Transportation Management Area (no less than once every four years) to determine if the process meets the requirements of 23 CFR 450.334(b). These reviews include seeking public's input.
- The Certification Reviews are required by Law (23 USC 134(i)(5) and are to verify compliance with current transportation law and planning regulations. This is the opportunity to improve, enhance and refine the planning process.
- The reviews are done of Transportation Management Areas (areas with populations of 200,000 or over). The PPUATS is designated the MPO for the Tri-County region by the Governor of Illinois.
- Those participating in the reviews are Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Metropolitan Planning Organization staff & Technical/Policy Committee member (PPUATS), State DOT (IDOT) Central Office & District 4 and Public Transit Operators (CityLink)
- The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process is reviewed. This process is to assist MPO in prioritizing regional needs and determining the best and most economical transportation solutions.
- The phases of the review are Ongoing Involvement/Oversight, Federal Actions Taken (Transportation Improvement Program, Unified Work Program and Metropolitan Transportation Plan (Long Range Plan); Office/Desk Review and Site Visit. The Federal finding (Final Report) will be given in May 2018.

Your comments received today and by mail within the next 30 days will be summarized in a final report. She then gave out contact information.

Ricca moved to close the Public Hearing and McBride seconded. Motion carried.

8. Approval of FY18-20 Transportation Alternatives (TAP) Process – *Memo*
White moved to approve FY18-20 Transportation Alternatives (TAP) Process and Eder seconded. Motion carried.
 - Harms explained the potential rescission of FYs 2017 TAP Funds for IDOT to seek staff’s approval to apply the \$288,492 TAP funds to Northmoor Road Stage 4. These funds potentially could have been list if not applied to Northmoor Road Project.
 - The TAP funding is moving forward to release a call for projects in Spring 2018 for FYs 18,19, and 20 TAP funds.
 - Hinrichsen asked when the call for projects will be and Harms answered around June 2018.

9. Approval of TIP Amendments
 - a. IDOT I-474 Bridge Painting – *Attachment*
Dillon moved to approve Tip Amendment for IDOT-I474 Bridge Painting and Kauffman seconded. Motion carried.
 - Dvorsky- IDOT explained the additional project to paint 5 bridges on and over I-474 in Tazewell County. Estimated cost is \$1,100,000 and is currently scheduled for letting on 6/15/2018.
 - b. IDOT US-24 & Cameron Ln Traffic Signal Installation – *Attachment*
McBride moved to approve TIP Amendment- IDOT US-24 & Cameron Ln Traffic Signal Installation and Eder seconded. Motion carried.
 - Dvorsky explained the addition of safety project to install signals at the intersection of US24 & Cameron Ln. Project is scheduled for June letting.
 - c. IDOT US-24 & Spring Creek Rd Intersection Improvement – *Attachment*
Rothert moved to approve TIP Amendment of IDOT US24 & Spring Creek Rd Intersection Improvement and Eder seconded. Motion carried.
 - Dvorsky explained the addition of safety project to improve intersection of US 24 & Spring Creek Rd near Washington. Project is scheduled for 6/15/18 letting.

10. Updates
 - a. FY18 Special Projects and Metropolitan Planning Funds
 - Harms updated that Chillicothe Corridor Study will be under contract soon.
 - Peoria Wayfinding Study is coming along also

11. Other
 - a. Next meeting scheduled for April 4, 2018
 - Vanderhoof mentioned that applications for Illinois competitive freight program are due February 16th
 - Martin said that staff received 6 responses from the pavement management RFP.

12. Adjournment
Chairman Morris adjourned meeting at 10:10am

Respectively submitted by:

Eric W. Miller

Executive Director

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