

Henderson County
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
December 14, 2016

The Transportation Advisory Committee held a Regularly Called Meeting on December 14, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the King Street Meeting Room at 100 North King Street, Hendersonville. Meeting attendance was as follows:

Voting Member	Present	Not in Attendance
Renee Kumor, Chair at-large	√	
Jim Crafton, Vice-Chair at-large	√	
John Bryant, at-large		√
Beau Waddell, at-large	√	
Mike Edney, Henderson County Commissioner		√
Bill Lapsley, Henderson County Commissioner	√	
Steve Caraker, City of Hendersonville	√	
John Dockendorf, Village of Flat Rock	√	
Larry Freeman, Town of Mills River (Jeff Wells – Alternate)		√
Eddie Henderson, Town of Fletcher		√
George Banta, Town of Laurel Park	√	
Matthew Champion, Transportation Planner (Commissioner's Alternate)	√	
Autumn Radcliff, Senior Planner (Commissioner's Alternate)	√	

Also present was Tristan Winkler, FBRMPO Transportation Planner, Ed Greene, NCDOT Division 14 Engineer, Steve Cannon, NCDOT Division 14, and John Connet, City of Hendersonville Manager. Mrs. Kumor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. No public comment was made.

Discussion

Approval of Agenda. No discussion of agenda.

Approval of Minutes. Mr. Caraker made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2016 meeting and the September 21, 2016 meeting. Mr. Lapsley seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

NC191 Discussion. Mrs. Kumor provided the introduction for the SPOT Project H090155-B (NC191 widening from Mountain Road to NC280). Mrs. Kumor, Mr. Crafton, and Mr. Champion met with NCDOT staff at the beginning of December to discuss highway cross-section options for this SPOT project. Mrs. Kumor said NCDOT wants HCTAC to choose two highway cross-sections for the widening of NC191 from Mountain Road to NC280. Mr. Caraker stated why NC191 widening project was split into two projects. The section of NC191 from US25 to Mountain Road would be addressed separately based on what the City of Hendersonville desired. Mr. Caraker indicated that the section of NC191 from Mountain Road to NC280 should take into account the traffic generated from the Balfour Parkway project coming into Mountain Road. Mr. Wells was unable to attend the meeting, due to an illness, but Mr. Champion informed the HCTAC that the Town of Mills River met last week and selected a hybrid highway cross-section 5A with paved bike shoulders and sidewalk ready. Mr. Wells indicated in his email that the paved bike shoulders should be 5' on both sides with curb and guttering as well. Mr. Champion said this option would not require a cost share from the Town of Mills River. Mrs. Kumor asked the HCTAC whether or not to accept the Town of Mills River for the entire length of NC191 from Mountain Road to NC280 or to propose another highway cross-section. Mr. Lapsley wondering if traffic counts justified creating a 4 lane

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road and whether to purchase the right-of-way now for future widening of NC191. Mr. Winkler stated that NCDOT's projected traffic counts for NC191 warranted the widening of NC191 to 4 lanes. Mr. Winkler clarified that NCDOT is already working on a safety project on NC191 in between Rugby Middle School and West Henderson High School. This is a separate project that would not address the widening of NC191, but would add stacking lanes for school traffic. Mrs. Radcliff informed the members that a 3 lane highway cross-section would not accommodate the projected traffic counts for NC191 as indicated by NCDOT. Mr. Lapsley identified his preference for highway cross-section 4G with some minor adjustments for 12' travel lanes and sidewalk ready on just one side of the road. Mr. Cannon said the schools along NC191 would utilize their own property for sidewalks and multi-use paths and that the HCTAC did not need to take these paths into their decision. Mr. Waddell addressed that the Town of Mills River's recommendation should be taken into consideration just for their incorporated area and that NCDOT should have further discussion with their staff.

Mr. Caraker made a motion for SPOT Project H090155-B to select the hybrid highway cross-section 4G with 12' lanes, dedicated bike lanes, and sidewalk ready on one side of the road up to the Town of Mills River incorporated limits and the indicated hybrid 5G from Mr. Wells for the Town of Mills River jurisdiction. Mr. Lapsley seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Draft HCTAC Work Plan. Mr. Champion outlined a draft work plan that will guide the HCTAC through FY2021. Mr. Winkler wanted to address a few items on the draft work plan, since time schedules have changed recently. Mr. Champion will make the necessary corrections to the draft plan.

Committee Meeting Calendar for 2017. Mrs. Kumor introduced the HCTAC meeting schedule for 2017. She said that we don't meet every month, but for the HCTAC members to schedule these dates into their calendars if a meeting is necessary.

Routine Updates

NCDOT Projects. Mr. Cannon identified that NCDOT is still working on I-26 slab replacements, 10 miles of pavement rehab on I-26, and Broadpoint Drive bridge replacement.

Municipal Representatives. Mr. Caraker said the sewer and sidewalk project on Blythe Street is now complete. Mr. Dockendorf said the Village of Flat Rock is working with NCDOT on the Highland Lake Road project and holding discussions with the NCDOT engineering consultants. Mr. Banta with the Town of Laurel Park is holding public input opportunities for the 64 widening project and is primarily hearing positive feedback of the proposed project design with round-a-bouts.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Renee Kumor, Chair
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