Henderson County TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE August 12, 2015

The Transportation Advisory Committee met August 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.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	$\sqrt{}$	
Jim Crafton, Vice-Chair at-large	1 1	
David Jones, at-large		√
Beau Waddell, at-large	1	
Mike Edney, Henderson County Commissioner		
Bill Lapsley, Henderson County Commissioner		
Steve Caraker, City of Hendersonville		V
Don Farr, Village of Flat Rock		
Larry Freeman, Town of Mills River		V
Eddie Henderson, Town of Fletcher		V
George Banta, Town of Laurel Park		
Matthew Champion, Transportation Planner (Commissioner's alternate)	1 1	
Autumn Radcliff, Senior Planner (Commissioner's alternate)		

Also present was Steve Cannon, NCDOT District Engineer, Joel Setzer, NCDOT Division Engineer, and Tristan Winkler, FBRMPO Transportation Planner. Ms. Kumor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and opened the floor to public comment. The public did not provide any comment.

Mrs. Kumor welcomed Mr. Banta to his first HC TAC meeting as the Town of Laurel Park's representative.

Discussion

<u>Approval of Minutes.</u> Mr. Crafton made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2015 meeting with corrections. Mr. Waddell seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

SPOT 4.0 Process. Mrs. Kumor initiated the discussion of the SPOT 4.0 database. She outlined that the HC TAC members can recommend projects from the current SPOT database for reprioritization in SPOT 4.0. Additionally, projects currently in the SPOT database can be modified. Mr. Champion introduced Mr. Winkler to provide an overview of the projects included in the current SPOT database. Mr. Winkler outlined that 14 slots were available for new projects in the region for SPOT 4.0. He outlined that Henderson County can select 4 projects from each mode to be reprioritized. Mr. Farr began the discussion with suggesting the Village of Flat Rock supported project H090901 and H111093 for reprioritization. Mr. Crafton asked for clarification of the current projects being considered prior to the HC TAC meeting. Mr. Winkler explained a workshop held on July 22, 2015 where municipal employees and county staff discussed the existing SPOT database and identified projects for HC TAC to consideration for the SPOT 4.0 database. Highway projects discussed during the workshop included H140274, H090901, H141460, and H090900. The 4 bike and pedestrian projects recommended by the workshop included B142076, B142098, B142121, and B142126. The workshop also identified bike and pedestrian project B142103 for removal from the existing database. Mr. Crafton discussed how the process had been handled in previous cycles, with the local TAC coming together to identify and rank-order the projects they wished to move forward.

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He referred to an existing list of projects identified and ranked during the last SPOT reprioritization process. Mr. Lapsley suggested to select the first 4 projects not included in the current database from the previous SPOT 3.0 project list. Highway projects included were H111003, H111085, H111092, and H111109. Discussion of project H090898 recombination with project H090655-B was confirmed by Mr. Cannon and Mr. Setzer, but needs approval from MPO for modification. Mr. Setzer and Mr. Winkler identified the remaining projects in the current SPOT database would be deleted in SPOT 4.0. Mr. Setzer confirmed the projects would still exist, but would require new evaluation and submission. Mr. Crafton stated the HC TAC would not make a recommendation at this time due to some members not being present and needing time to discuss with local elected boards. Mr. Setzer outlined the timeframe of selecting final projects for reprioritization by the start of October.

Mrs. Kumor asked for any further discussion of the SPOT 4.0 database. Mr. Setzer stated two current TIP projects in the SPOT database, H090830 and H090019-B, need approval for modification. Mr. Setzer suggested each project would score better if modified with multiple phases. The modifications include breaking Balfour Parkway project H090830 into three phases and supporting the first phase of US 25 to I-26. Mr. Crafton made a motion to accept the modification of project H090830 as per Mr. Setzer's description. Mr. Waddell seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. The second modification suggested removing the intersection of I-26 and US 64 from project H090019-B. Mr. Lapsley made a motion to remove the intersection of I-26 and US 64 from project H090019-B. Mr. Waddell seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. Mr. Setzer emphasized that breaking part of each project out of the existing SPOT database would not limited the number of projects HC TAC can select for SPOT 4.0 reprioritization.

Routine Updates

NCDOT Projects Update. Mr. Cannon provided an update on the major projects currently underway or slated to begin in Henderson County. Mr. Cannon provided the following updates regarding four significant projects: (1) Howard Gap project nearing completion, (2) the City of Hendersonville receiving an award for future phase of the Oklawaha Greenway extension from Jackson Park to Balfour Apartments, (3) upcoming pavement rehabilitation project on I-26, and (4) future improvements to 191 beginning in the spring. Ms. Kumor thanked Mr. Cannon for the update on the existing projects.

<u>Municipal Representatives.</u> Mrs. Kumor opened the floor for municipal representative updates. Mr. Farr informed the HC TAC about his departure from the HC TAC and Village of Flat Rock Council beginning in January. Mr. Banta expressed interest in the Ecusta Trail project and the funded US 64 widening project.

FBRMPO TCC Meeting Review/Board Meeting Preview. Mr. Winkler explained that the upcoming FBRMPO TCC would preview projects selected for SPOT 4.0 reprioritization.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Renee Kumor, Chair

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