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Henderson County TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 28, 2006

The Henderson County Transportation Advisory Committee met on Thursday, September 28, 2006 at 3:00 pm in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the County Office Building.

TAC members in attendance were Chair Jim Crafton, Eddie Henderson, Lee King, Vice-Chair Renee Kumor, Keith Maddox, John Manners, Matt Matteson, Jack Summey, John Thorpe and Terri Wallace. TAC members absent were Bill Crisp, Chip Gould, Terry Hicks, Jon Laughter, Hunter Marks, Virgle McClure and Tedd Pearce.

Also in attendance were Dan Holt, the NCDOT Transportation Planning Engineer for the Western Region Planning Group, Commissioner Chuck McGrady, Chamber President Bob Williford, and County Planner Autumn Radcliff.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Crafton called the meeting to order.

<u>UPDATE ON MPO ACTIVITIES BY COMMISSIONER CHUCK MCGRADY</u>

Commissioner Chuck McGrady, who is the Henderson County representative on the MPO, gave an update on recent activity at the MPO regarding Henderson County transportation matters. He presented a copy of the 2007-2013 draft TIP and provided a chart of TIP projects for Division 14. The only project in Division 14 that got moved up was the I-26/US 25 connector from Zirconia which was accelerated in construction from 2012 to 2009.

Mr. McGrady informed the TAC that the MPO has approximately three million dollars that were left over or spun off of larger federally funded projects such as Long Shoals Road that are available for allocation to local projects. Rather than exercising its authority to arbitrarily reallocate the funds as it deemed appropriate, the MPO opted to allow the local jurisdictions an opportunity to compete for these funds. A 20% local match is required and the sponsoring entity must oversee the project. Examples of projects that would qualify for such funds would be stop lights, sidewalks, greenways, etc.

The TAC had previously created a list of small projects that it wanted to be considered for the North Carolina Moving Ahead projects. At its next meeting, the TAC would prioritize the projects it wished to be considered for these funds and make its recommendation to the Commissioners. All interested entities supporting the TAC recommendation would share the 20% local match. Once the Commissioners and sponsoring entities approved the list, it would be given to Mr. McGrady for presentation to the MPO.

UPDATE FROM DAN HOLT ON PHASE II OF THE CTP

Dan Holt informed the TAC that NCDOT was preparing to do the deficiency analysis for Phase II of the CTP and create a model. Once that model was ready, it would be brought back to the TAC for its review and input. Once the TAC was comfortable with that model, public involvement sessions would be necessary. After much discussion by the TAC, the consensus was to have Mr. Holt come to a future TAC meeting to show the model for Phase II of the CTP. The CTP subcommittee would then make a recommendation to the TAC regarding a plan for the public involvement sessions for Phase II. The information gathered at those public involvement sessions would be incorporated into the Phase II and then the TAC would make its recommendation to the Commissioners for its endorsement to be forwarded to the MPO.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Crafton informed the TAC that he would include on each TAC agenda an opportunity for each municipality representative to present the TAC an update on any transportation issues of concern. Future TAC agendas would also include reports from each of the subcommittees.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the TAC is October 26. Vice-Chair Kumor adjourned the meeting at 4:35 pm.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

JIM CRAFTON, CHAIR

AVALINA B. MERRILL, SECRETARY

Note: The October 26, 2007 TAC meeting was cancelled.