OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION

TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

January 19, 2011

The Technical Planning Committee of the Ozarks Transportation Organization met at its scheduled time of 1:30 p.m. in the MSU Plaster Student Union in Room 317.

The following members were present:

Mr. Bob Atchley, Christian County Mr. Rick Hess, City of Battlefield

Mr. David Brock, City of Republic Mr. David Hutchison, City of Springfield

Mr. Steve Childers, City of Ozark Mr. Joel Keller, Greene Co. Hwy Dept.

Mr. Don Clark, Missouri State University Mr. Larry Martin, City of Ozark

Mr. King Coltrin, City of Strafford Mr. Duffy Mooney, Greene Co. Hwy Dept

Mr. Martin Gugel, City of Springfield Mr. Dan Smith, Greene Co. Hwy Dept.

Mr. Jason Haynes, City of Springfield Mr. Frank Miller, MoDOT

Mr. Terry Whaley, Ozarks Greenway Ms. Dawne Gardener, MoDOT

Mr. Ryan Mooney, Springfield Chamber Ms. Jenni Jones, MoDOT

1. Denotes alternate given voting privileges as a substitute for voting members not present

The following members were not present:

Mr. Mokhtee Ahmad, FTA Ms. Diane May, SMCOG

Mr. Rick Artman, Greene Co. Hwy Dept. Mr. Bradley McMahon, FHWA

~~Mr. Brian Bingle, City of Nixa~~  Mr. Kent Morris, Greene Co. Planning

Mr. David Bishop, R-12 Schools ~~Ms. Ann Razer, City of Springfield (a)~~

~~Mr. Larry Combs, MSU (a)~~  Mr. Bill Robinett, MoDOT

Mr. Travis Cossey, City of Nixa Mr. Ralph Rognstad, City of Springfield

Ms. Carol Cruise, City Utilities ~~Mr. Mark Roy, Airport (a)~~

~~Mr. Ron Effland, MoDOT (a)~~  Mr. Mark Schenkelberg, FAA

~~Ms. Diane Gallion, City Utilities (a)~~  Mr. Shawn Schroeder, Airport

~~Mr. Mile Giles, City of Springfield (a)~~ Mr. Mike Tettamble, Jr., O & S Trucking

Mr. Kevin Lambeth, City of Battlefield Mr. Dan Watts, SMCOG

Mr. Pat Lloyd, City of Willard

Others present were: Stacy Burks, Senator Roy Blunt’s Office; Mr. Carl Carlson, Olsson Associates; Tom Dancey, CJW; Robin McDevitt and Ms. Megan Hammer, Senator McCaskill’s Office; Matt Baker, Congressman Billy Long’s Office; Mr. Derick Barnes, Laborers Local 663; Hollie Elliott, ~~Ryan Mooney, Springfield Chamber~~; ~~Dawne Gardner, Jenni Jones, Frank Miller, MoDOT~~; Sara Edwards and Natasha Longpine and Sharon Davis and Chris Stueve, Ozarks Transportation Organization

## Administration

# Introductions

Mr. David Brock called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m. and asked for introductions from those attending. Mr. Ryan Mooney introduced Ms. Hollie Elliott, Economic Development Coordinator, Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Stacy Burks advised everyone of her new position with Senator Roy Blunt.

# Approval of the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda

Mr. Rick Hess made a motion to accept the Technical Planning Committee meeting agenda as presented and was seconded by Ms. Jenni Jones. The motion passed unanimously.

# Approval of the November 17, 2010 Regular Meeting and December 2, 2010 Electronic Meeting Minutes

Mr. Martin Gugel made a motion to approve the November 17, 2010 and December 2, 2010 electronic meeting minutes as presented and was seconded by Mr. Atchley. The motion passed unanimously.

# Public Comment Period for All Agenda Items

None.

# Interim Executive Director’s Report

Ms. Edwards advised the Technical Committee of the Highway Bill extension until March 4, 2011. Ms. Edwards discussed the upcoming Safe Routes To School Infrastructure Grants, in the amount of $1.6 Million, which is open from February 1, 2011 until April 15, 2011. Ms. Dawne Gardener, MoDOT, is providing a workshop from Noon until 2:00 p.m on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 to assist anyone applying for this grant. The workshop will show how to apply for a grant and answer any questions regarding the program or potential infrastructure projects. Safe Routes to School Infrastructure projects include the planning, design, and construction of infrastructure related projects that will substantially improve the ability of students to walk and bicycle to school, including sidewalk improvements, traffic calming and speed reduction improvements, pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements, on-street bicycle facilities, off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities, secure bicycle parking facilities, traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of schools. Ms. Edwards advised the Technical Committee of the 2010 OTO audit completed by Cinda Rodgers, CPA. She stated the audit went very well without any material findings. Ms. Edwards stated a Railroad Report has been released showing a detailed outline of Congress’ High Speed Rail Plan through 2050. It is the first time Springfield has appeared on a National map showing a passenger rail system in place. Ms. Edwards stated OTO staff has been working on updating the Long Range Transportation Plan. She has been working on the Community Focus Report for City of Springfield. Ms. Edwards advised the Committee that OTO participated in the Multicultural Festival getting public input on the Long Range Plan. She also advised the Committee that EPA has delayed any news on the new ozone standards until July 2011.

# Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee Report

Ms. Longpine stated the BPAC has been working on the Long Range Transportation Plan focusing on bicycle and pedestrian activities for the plan. The committee is trying to refine a process to create prioritization criteria and project submissions concerning the LRTP. During the process, BPAC will establish an ongoing list of bike/ped projects for additional funding in the future.

# New Business

1. **Amendment Number Two to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program**

Ms. Edwards stated there are four changes proposed to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program. The City of Springfield requested an amendment to increase the funding amount for the Boonville Phase II Streetscape Project. The City of Ozark and MoDOT requested a revision to the Third Street Improvement Project to add final design, right-of-way and construction funds. The City of Ozark will utilize STP-Urban Funding and MoDOT will utilize statewide cost share funding. MoDOT requested to add a project to the TIP for pavement improvements on West Chestnut Expressway in Springfield from Haseltine Road to College Street. MoDOT requested to modify a project to accelerate and expand pavement treatment on I-44 from Glenstone to US 65. Mr. Steve Childers made a motion to approve Amendment Number Two to the FY 2011-2014 TIP and was seconded by Mr. Dan Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Administrative Modification Number Three to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program

Ms. Edwards stated staff made one change proposed by MoDOT to move funds on the Route M Pavement Improvement project from FY2012 and FY2013 to FY2011.

1. OTO Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Update

Ms. Longpine provided a LRTP update to the Technical Planning Committee. The LRTP Subcommittee and OTO staff has been working together to develop the Long Range Transportation Plan. The Long Range Transportation Plan draft that was distributed includes goals and objectives, the Roadway Prioritization Criteria and Glossary, a list/corresponding map of Projects. The LRTP Subcommittee based the prioritization criteria upon the goals for the LRTP. Those goals are based on the SAFTEA-LU Planning Factors and the results of public involvement. The subcommittee will take the scores, once final, and review them for any irregularities, make any essential prioritization adjustments, and will rank the projects by High, Medium, and Vision, within fiscal constraints for the next 24 years. The next scheduled LRTP Subcommittee Meeting is on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. located at the MoDOT office in Springfield.

1. Major Thoroughfare Plan Amendments

Ms. Edwards stated the Major Thoroughfare Plan Subcommittee recommended several changes to the Major Thoroughfare Plan for the City of Battlefield, City of Ozark, City of Republic and the City of Springfield. Greene County did not submit any proposed amendments, but plan to review with the cities within this year and will recommend further amendments if necessary. These changes will go before the public in a series of public hearing slated for the spring. After public comments, OTO staff will review the LRTP and MTP with the Technical Planning Committee in order to make a recommendation to the Board of Directors.

1. FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program Subcommittee

Ms. Edwards requested the Technical Planning Committee appoint a subcommittee to prepare the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program. The UPWP addresses the activities, including plans and programs, the MPO will undertake during the fiscal year. Work tasks will include administration, corridor planning, ridesharing, transportation and transit planning, and special studies. The UPWP also outlines the working budget of OTO. The Technical Planning Committee appointed Jenni Jones, Joel Keller, Larry Martin, Carol Cruise and David Brock to serve on the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program Subcommittee.

## Other Business

# Technical Planning Committee Member Announcements

Ms. Edwards stated the Missouri Chamber is hosting the 2011 Transportation Conference on Thursday, January 27, 2011 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, 415 West McCarty Street, in Jefferson City from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Mr. Ryan Mooney stated the Springfield Chamber is hosting a Salute to Missouri Legislators on Wednesday, January 26, 2011 from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at the same location.

1. **Transportation Issues For Technical Planning Committee Member Review**

None.

## Adjournment

Mr. David Brock adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.