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FROM: Mr. Steve Ewing, Chairperson

DATE: September 17, 2020

RE: TCC Meeting

There will be a **Transportation Coordinating Committee** meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **Thursday, September 24, 2020**, at **3:00 p.m.** via teleconference from the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

The agenda will be as follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Acceptance of TAC minutes – September 22, 2019
3. Approval of TCC minutes – August 27, 2020
4. RTA Report
5. TIP Amendment – PID 108373 ALL/VAN Resurfacing Delphos Phase I
6. Other
7. Adjournment

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cc: Mr. Chris Hughes, ODOT

NOTE: PLEASE CALL THE COMMISSION OFFICE AND CONFIRM WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ATTEND.



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

September 24, 2020

There was a **Transportation Coordinating Committee** meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **Thursday, September 24, 2020**, at **3:00 p.m.** in the Conference Room of the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

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A quorum of the Committee participating, being present via teleconference, Steve Ewing brought the meeting to order and proceeded with the agenda and introductions.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Mr. Dave Belton	Shawnee Township
Mr. Kevin Cox	Perry Township
Mr. Howard Elstro	City of Lima
Mr. Steve Ewing	Auglaize Township
Mr. Mitchell Kingsley	Village of Bluffton
Mr. Brion Rhodes	Allen County Engineer's Office
Mr. Chuck Schierloh	City of Lima
Mr. Charles Schreck	Ohio Department of Transportation District 1

STAFF

Mr. Shane Coleman	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Ms. Marlene Schumaker	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission

2. **ACCEPTANCE OF TAC MINUTES – September 22, 2020**

Motion 50 (09-24-20) TCC

Brion Rhodes made the motion that the TAC minutes of September 22, 2020 be accepted. Seconded by Kevin Cox; motion carried.

3. **APPROVAL OF TCC MINUTES – August 27, 2020**

Motion 51 (09-24-20) TCC

Chuck Schierloh made the motion that the TCC minutes of August 27, 2020 be accepted. Seconded by Mitchell Kingsley; motion carried.

4. **RTA REPORT**

Marlene Schumaker reported each Committee member should have received a copy of the Allen County Regional Transit Authority (ACRTA) ridership numbers and stated that it appears a representative from RTA is unavailable to attend the meeting. Marlene Schumaker stated that evening routes will begin on September 28th. The information

4. **RTA REPORT** (Continued)

pertaining to the new hours for the routes has been distributed. Six of the eight fixed routes (FR) will have the extended evening hours and will cover most of the area before the cutbacks to routes. Marlene Schumaker reported that RTA received a grant for upgrades to the RTA facilities and to purchase equipment for the garage. RTA recently updated the Administration facility. RTA will soon be taking bids for the work needed to the garage. Marlene Schumaker reported that since schools are back in session, RTA is fulfilling its contracts to Lima City Schools and Elida Local Schools. RTA transports students to the Educational Service Center (ESC), Marimor and the Autism Center. Marlene Schumaker stated the RTA packet emailed to Committee members contains the current ridership numbers. Howard Elstro asked if RTA has provided any insight on the Agency's search for a Director. Marlene Schumaker replied that she was not aware of any other bid requests except what has been posted to RTA's website.

Motion 52 (08-27-20) TCC

Kevin Cox made the motion to accept the RTA Report. Seconded by Dave Belton; motion carried.

5. **TIP AMENDMENT – PID 108373 ALL/VAN RESURFACING DELPHOS PHASE I**

Shane Coleman stated the City of Delphos has requested an additional \$259,000 in Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for PID 108373, the 5th Street Project in Delphos. Stage 3 plans have been submitted and the City of Delphos requires more funds than originally anticipated. There is over \$1 million in MPO funds currently committed to the project and Delphos has approximately \$1.6 million in its budget in order for the project to commence construction next year. Shane Coleman reported it appears that Delphos will require an additional approximately \$465,000. Staff reached out to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) District 1. The MPO had CMAQ funds available that could be allocated to the project and \$259,000 is the maximum the project is allowed under CMAQ funding. Delphos will still be responsible for their difference between the \$465,000 and \$259,000 which is approximately \$206,000. Shane Coleman reported the project encompasses the entire corridor from the west corp limit to the east corp limit of Delphos. The project includes pavement repair and replacement, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, the implementation of a "road diet" which means the four lanes of travel will be reduced to two lanes of travel with a turn lane in the center and bike lanes along the outside. The project includes sidewalk replacement as needed as well as sidewalk additions to areas that currently do not have sidewalks. Brion Rhodes stated that he was going to ask how the project qualified for CMAQ funds but realized that the part of the project that addresses bike lanes, sidewalks, etc. would qualify the project for CMAQ funds. Charles Schreck stated that the project has MPO Surface Transportation Project (STP) funds allocated and agreed that these CMAQ funds would be eligible for use for the bike lanes, sidewalks, etc.

Motion 53 (09-24-20) TCC

Brion Rhodes made the motion to approve the Resolution: Authorization to add \$259,000 in MPO CMAQ to PID 108373 ALL/VAN Resurfacing Delphos Phase I in FY 2021. Seconded by Howard Elstro; motion carried.

6. **OTHER**

a. **Ohio Traffic Safety Council**

Shane Coleman reported that Governor DeWine signed an Executive order on September 10th to establish an Ohio Traffic Safety Council. Staff was informed of this

6. **OTHER** (Continued)

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action last week. The order states that “overall fatalities on Ohio roads in 5 of the last 6 years and in 2018, there were more than 294,000 traffic crashes on Ohio roads. The Ohio Traffic Safety Council seeks to bring together stakeholders in an effort to determine how to address these issues.” Shane Coleman stated that there will be 6 representatives from Ohio government and 15 representatives appointed from federal, state, county, local government agencies, non-profit agencies, educational institutions and private industry.

b. **Safety Performance Measures for Next Year**

Shane Coleman reported staff received notification from ODOT on September 15th pertaining to the safety performance measures for next year. ODOT will be adopting a 2% reduction goal for this year. This notification will be brought to the internal Committee structure in the next month or so for review and approval. The action must be forwarded to ODOT by February 26th, 2021.

c. **Safe Communities Awards**

Shane Coleman reported that there was a Safe Communities Awards “ceremony” at the FOP/FOPA Hall on Robb Avenue to recognize those in local law enforcement, first responders, etc. who went above and beyond over the past year. With the COVID-19 restrictions, the ceremony was held outdoors at the FOP/FOPA Hall.

d. **Format of Meetings**

Shane Coleman asked the Committee members if they would like to see anything done differently as meetings continue to be conducted virtually. Staff will work to accommodate Committee members and stakeholders to the best of their ability. Steve Ewing commented that staff has been extremely helpful with any requests that he has made.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion 54 (09-24-20) TCC

Brion Rhodes made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Kevin Cox; motion carried.