

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 22, 2022

There was a **Transportation Advisory Committee** meeting of the Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **February 22, 2022**, at **1:30 p.m.** in the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

The agenda was as follows:

1. Roll Call & Introductions
2. Approval of TAC minutes – January 25, 2022
3. RTA Report
4. FINAL 2021 Fatal Crash Report
5. Resolution for Main/Market Improvements
6. Other
7. Adjournment

A quorum being present, Chairman Dan Kaseman brought the meeting to order and proceeded with the agenda.

### 1. **ROLL CALL**

Mr. Eric Davis, virtual	Wessler Engineering
Ms. Karen Garland, virtual	Allen County RTA
Mr. Steve Kayatin	Allen County Sanitary Engineer
Mr. Dan Kaseman	Village of Elida
Mr. Greg Kessen	Perry Township
Mr. Jamie Mehaffie, virtual	City of Delphos
Mr. Shawn McPheron, virtual	EMH&T
Mr. Ron Meyer, virtual	Allen County Engineer's Office
Mr. Charles Schreck, virtual	ODOT District 1
Mr. Kirk Niemeyer, virtual	City of Lima

### **STAFF**

Ms. Marlene Schumaker	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Ms. Shaunna Basinger	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission

### 2. **APPROVAL OF TAC MINUTES – January 25, 2022**

#### **Motion 8 (2-22-22) TAC**

Steve Kayatin made the motion that the TAC minutes of January 25, 2022, be approved. Seconded by Greg Kessen, motion carried.

### 3. **RTA REPORT**

The RTA will be revisiting night routes quarterly, for now they will continue running until 7:20 pm Monday through Friday. This is an earlier closing time due to drop in numbers after 8 pm. The RTA team was able to visit the State House last Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> for "Ohio Loves Transit Day". While there, their staff was able to speak with both Ohio Representatives with hopes to have an in person visit to the Lima RTA facilities in the near future.

**Motion 9 (2-22-22) TAC**

Shawn McPheron made the motion to accept the ACRTA report. Seconded by Kirk Niemeyer, motion carried.

**4. FINAL 2021 FATAL CRASH REPROT**

Marlene Schumaker stated that there have been no additional comments or input on the 2021 Draft submitted to the committee at the January meeting. Therefore, the Crash Report will be submitted to ODOT.

**Motion 10 (1-2-2021) TAC**

Steve Kayatin motioned to accept the Final 2021 Fatal Crash Report and send it to the TCC for concurrence. Seconded by Greg Kessen, motion carried.

**6. RESOLUTION FOR MAIN/MARKET IMPROVEMENTS**

Marlene Schumaker explained that the City of Lima has requested an additional \$222,075 in CMAQ funding for the Main/Market Improvements. The project has already been sold with a finalized construction timeline. However, recent developments have led the city to ask for this funding increase. LACRPC does have the CMAQ funds and has gotten the CMAQ eligibility approval. It will be capped at the \$222,075.

Kirk Niemeyer confirmed that the project has been sold and with material cost inflation, the additional CMAQ funds will help alleviate funding issues concerning inflation costs. The Main/Market Improvement Project will be one of the largest projects undertaken by the City.

Chairman Kaseman requested a further breakdown of the Main/Market Improvement Project, its origin, and plan specifics.

Kirk Niemeyer went on to say, the project was initiated by a Roadside Safety Audit through the Planning Commission. It was found that the Main/Market intersection was one of the highest in regards to traffic crashes in the county and are therefore converting that intersection to a true one lane round about. Changes on Market Street will include change from a two-lane to a one-lane (Union on east end, Elizabeth on the west end). The other components are new traffic safety compenents on the Main/High Intersections. Additionally, at the Main/North intersection there will be a midblock cross walk with all appropriate signage as well as a safety island in the middle. Also, diagonal parking on the courthouse side will be installed and ADA accessible parking spaces will also be available midblock on every block.

Steve Kayatin questioned if higher than expected bids were the cause of the increased ask from the City. Kirk said that that was a part of the increase alongside the other factors such as inflation and employment difficulties.

The round about is still scheduled to be completed in November 2022. Traffic on Market Street will be maintained with some disruptions on Main Street.

Chairman Kaseman inquired how many traffic signals we will be losing with this project?

Kirk Niemeyer stated that there will only be the replacement of the pedestrian safety signal on Main and High. The pedestrian safety lights will be removed on Main/Market. If additional pedestrian measures are required for Main/Market, additional steps will be taken. A reduction in speeds at this intersection is expected.

**Motion 11 (1-2-2021) TAC**

Eric Davis motioned to recommend approval of Resolution PID111631 and send it to the TCC for concurrence. Seconded by Karen Garland, motion carried.

**11. OTHER**

No additional business.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion 12 (11-22-22) TAC**

Steve Kayatin made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Shawn McPheron, motion carried.