

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 22, 2025 -- Minutes

There was a regular **Transportation Advisory Committee** meeting of the Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission held on **April 22, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

A quorum being present, Colleen Barry brought the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and proceeded with the agenda.

1. ROLL CALL

Tanner Inkrott	ODOT
Dan Kaseman	Citizen
Cindy Leis	Allen County
Chuck Schierloh	City of Lima
Ben Suever	Village of Spencerville
Leann Unverferth	Area Agency on Aging
Brian Wildermuth	ACRTA
Daniel Johnson (Virtual)	FHWA

STAFF

Colleen Barry	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Adam Haunhorst	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Tonya Dye	Lima-Allen County Regional Planning Commission

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – April 22, 2025

Motion 14 (04-22-2025) TAC

Mr. Kaseman moved to approve the April 22, 2025 agenda as presented. Mr. Suever seconded. The motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF TAC MINUTES – February 25, 2025 (Held), March 25, 2025 (Cancelled)

Motion 15 (04-22-2025) TAC

Mr. Suever moved to approve the February 25, 2025, meeting minutes as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Unverferth, the motion carried.

4. RTA Update

Mr. Wildermuth presented options for new signage for the RTA and asked for feedback from the committee. RTA and the City of Lima have been working with Thriving Communities on a new sign program for the transit authority. He presented three options to the committee, each of which could be expanded depending on the information necessary to display on the signs. He also stated that he expects the QR codes for ACRTA and the Translation service to be placed on the signs as well. He was appreciative of the committee for supplying their opinions.

5. TIP/STIP Open House and New Project Dashboard

Ms. Barry gave a report on the TIP/STIP Open House, which occurred on April 1st. She thanked ACRTA for being the location hosts for the event. The highlights included the ACRTA improvements, including the new “How to Ride” videos and the new Interactive LACRPC Project Dashboard. The dashboard

currently has MPO and ODOT projects on it. It was asked if there were any thoughts about having port authority projects added in. Ms. Barry said to give her more information and she could check to see what was possible.

6. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: SELF-CERTIFICATION OF METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS FOR THE 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Ms. Barry stated that the self-certification is a necessary step with the TIP and states that we have abided by the planning process as set forth by ODOT. It is being asked that the committee recommend to the TCC the acceptance of the resolution.

Motion 16 (04-22-2025) TAC

Ms. Leis moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Mr. Inkrott, the motion carried.

7. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF THE FY 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) QUALITATIVE CONFORMITY ANALYSIS/DETERMINATION

Ms. Barry stated that this determination states that the projects presented in the TIP conform to Air Quality Mitigation Rules, and that the projects keep within the guidelines. It is being asked that the committee recommend to the TCC acceptance of the resolution.

Motion 17 (04-22-2025) TAC

Ms. Leis moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Mr. Kaseman, the motion carried.

8. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: ADOPTING THE SFY 2026-2029 LIMA-ALLEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Ms. Barry stated that the LACRPC TIP for SFY 2026-2029 was due to ODOT on April 30th. The projects that are MPO-funded were included in the packet. The MPO has about \$10 million invested in regional projects. The TIP had been presented for public comment. It is being asked that the committee recommend to the TCC acceptance of the resolution.

Motion 18 (04-22-2025) TAC

Mr. Suever moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Mr. Kaseman, the motion carried.

9. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Haunhorst submitted the 2024 LACRPC Annual Report to the Committee, highlighting the organization's achievements over the last year. The committee accepted the presentation of the report. No motion was submitted on the report.

10. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: APPROVING THE TITLE VI AND NONDISCRIMINATION PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Haunhorst stated that this update to the agency's Title VI report should occur every three to five years. The plan was reviewed and updated where appropriate. It has been out for public comment for

two months, with no comments submitted. It is being asked that the committee recommend to the TCC acceptance of the resolution.

Motion 19 (04-22-2025) TAC

Ms. Unverferth moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Mr. Wildermuth, the motion carried.

11. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS CERTIFICATION FOR THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Haunhorst stated that this certification is similar to the one for the TIP, in which the agency certifies that the rules set forth by ODOT governing the MPO regarding the budget and projects for 2026 were followed. It is being asked that the committee recommend to the TCC acceptance of the resolution.

Motion 20 (04-22-2025) TAC

Ms. Leis moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Mr. Suever, the motion carried.

12. MOTION: RECOMMEND TO THE TCC ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESOLUTION: APPROVING THE FY 2026 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AS A BASIS FOR SOLICITING FEDERAL FUNDING ASSISTANCE

Mr. Haunhorst stated that the agency is seeking the recommendation of the committee to use the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as the basis for soliciting federal funding assistance. The UPWP describes the budget in both time and money that is estimated to be spent by the agency, and is a standard document used by funding agencies for assistance.

Motion 21 (04-22-2025) TAC

Ms. Leis moved to accept the recommendation and transmit the same to the TCC. Seconded by Ms. Unverferth, the motion carried.

13. OTHER

There was no other business brought forth.

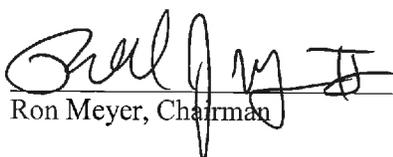
14. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 22 (04-22-2025) TAC

Mr. Suever moved for the meeting to be adjourned. Seconded by Mr. Wildermuth, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Meeting minutes approved on May 20, 2025.



Ron Meyer, Chairman