

Meeting Summary
Planning Committee Meeting
March 19, 2019 at 9:00AM
255 Main Street, Goshen, NY
Legislative Statutory Committee Room

Meeting Participants

Name:

Julie Richmond
Rob Parrington
Ashlee Long
Lauren Burns
Todd Atkinson
Steve Moreau
Scott Manly
Al Fusco
Gary Spears
Jinzhou Lu

Organization:

Orange County Planning
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J. Robert Folchetti & Associates
Town of New Windsor
Town of Newburgh
Fusco Engineering
Town of Deerpark
511NY Rideshare

On the Phone:

Sandra Jobson
Oluseye Folarin
Steve Brown
Jacob Tawil
Chris Gross
Chad Wade
John Revella
Lizzy Philip

NYSDOT, Region 8
MTA
Port Authority of NY & NJ
City of Middletown
City of Middletown
City of Newburgh
Village of Walden
NYSTA

Call to Order and Introductions

Ms. Richmond called the meeting to order. The meeting began with introductions.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Ms. Richmond asked if there was any public comment; there was none.

Approve January 15, 2019 Meeting Summary

The meeting summary was accepted as drafted.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2017-2021

TIP Administrative Modification OCTC17-Y

Ms. Long introduced TIP Administrative Modification OCTC17-Y to the Committee. OCTC-Y includes three projects:

- NYSDOT Project: PIN 806505- Rt 17 Elevation increase in the vicinity of Routes 17A and 207 interchange to prevent flooding; looking to roll detailed design, right of way incidentals and right of way acquisition from FFY 2019 to FFY 2020.

- PIN 876116 – Warwick Valley Central School District Pedestrian Improvements; looking to roll Construction and Construction inspection from FFY 2019 to FFY 2020.
- NYSDOT Project: PIN 882347- Orange County Park and Ride Lots; looking to roll Preliminary Design from FFY 2019 to FFY 2020 and detailed design and right of way acquisition from FFY 2020 to FFY 2022, and construction and construction inspection from FFY 2021 to FFY 2023.

Mr. Fusco inquired about PIN 8759.99 and why it had disappeared from the TIP. He stated that they had started working on the project. Ms. Long replied that the PIN was previously part of the earmark repurposing and was inadvertently left on the TIP.

Draft Amendment OCTC17-11

Ms. Long introduced a new draft amendment created to go to the Policy Committee meeting in June for action. The draft amendment includes:

- PIN 848743 – Route 208 Sidewalk, Route 52 to Most Precious Blood School; looking to add funds in the amount of \$0.500 from a repurposed earmark.
- PIN 875999 – Maple Ave Parking Lot; this PIN is being deleted from the TIP as the funds have been repurposed.

Local Project Sponsor Updates

Mr. Tawil gave an update on the City of Middletown's projects:

PIN 875707 & 876098 – Traffic Operations Stage 1 and 2 are moving forward and the planning stages are progressing as programmed. The City is working hard and is optimistic to meet the updated deadlines.

PIN 876149 – ADA Accessible Sidewalks project is moving forward and the City plans to go to bid for construction in FFY 2019.

PIN 8759.87 – Lake Road/Metro North Bridge Replacement. Mr. Moreau reported that the PS&E paperwork will be submitted to NSYDOT this week. The Town anticipates that the projection letter will go out this week, and this should allow the Town to go out to bid after the Town Board meeting in April, with construction beginning in June/July. The Town will be cutting down trees next week and are still waiting on a temporary easement from the railroad, which is anticipated to come in this week.

PIN 875664 – Route 6 Bridge Replacement over the Neversink River. Mr. Farr wasn't able to attend the meeting and sent an update, which Ms. Long gave to the Committee. The temporary bridge construction will start this week, the drainage work is ramping up, temporary signal poles and lights are up and operational, still looking at a late April opening of the temporary bridge, and the sidewalk portion of the project will commence at the end of April as well.

TIP Update

Ms. Long began talking about the TIP update spreadsheet, which was handed out to members in the room and emailed to members on the phone. Members on the phone were having difficulties viewing the spreadsheet, and Ms. Long promised to send it to them after the meeting.

Ms. Long reported that the TIP was on track to meet the overall targets and that there would likely be the need to create a block PIN for STP Large Urban funds and potentially do a call for projects at a later date. The current concern is whether or not projects with funds in FFY 2019 are on track to obligate this year or if they anticipate rolling them into the new TIP, which starts with FFY 2020.

Ms. Jobson reminded the Committee that the TIP needs to be fiscally constrained by the overall program and by year. She also reminded sponsors that it is in their best interest to deliver projects, and that if for some reason a project is not delivered in FFY 2019 and not included on the new TIP, the Committee would be faced with finding an offset immediately.

Mr. Tawil expressed an interest in a future call for projects and asked if the City could discuss project costs with OCTC staff after today's call.

Presentation on the 511NY Rideshare Program

Lu from 511NY Rideshare had contacted OCTC staff and requested to present on the 511NY Rideshare Program and how Orange County and 511NY Rideshare can partner going forward. Lu went over the program and explained that it is a team of transportation and mobility specialists who work with organizations to implement sustainable transportation programs and improve mobility and connecting services in the region. The overall mission is to improve mobility, reduce traffic, and improve air quality by offering employees alternatives to driving alone. Some of the things that 511NY Rideshare can assist with are:

- Provide carpool "ridematching" assistance
- Offer transit trip planning assistance
- Implement and support a telework plan
- Build and maintain a customized rideshare portal
- Provide vanpool formation guidance and support
- Offer on-site support to your employees
- Provide access to the Guaranteed Ride Program
- Facilitate preferred parking

For more information Lu can be contacted at jl@511NYRideshare.org or by phone at 917-421-3432.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Reports

Other Member Reports

Ms. Long reminded the Committee that there will be an LRTP update meeting directly after this meeting in the small conference room next to the Finance Department.

There will be a presentation given by Sandra Jobson of NYSDOT Region 8 on April 10th at the Orange County Citizen's Foundation about "Is Your Main Street a NYS Highway?" If interested, contact the Citizen's Foundation directly to RSVP. This event is being sponsored by the Orange County Association of Supervisors and Mayors.

Ms. Richmond updated the Committee on the Regional Transit Study. The survey closed at the end of December and the Market Analysis is currently being finalized. The study is about 42% complete.

The Western Gateway Study will be kicking off soon and any members who are interested can still be involved if they would like to be on the study advisory group.

The Transit subcommittee will meet again on May 9th. Anyone interested in attending/serving on this subcommittee should contact Ms. Richmond directly.

The committee adjourned at 9:50 am