

Meeting Summary
Planning Committee Meeting
August 21, 2018, 9:00AM
255 Main Street, Goshen, NY
Legislative Statutory Committee Room

Meeting Participants

Name:

Wayne Booth
Julie Richmond
Rob Parrington
Ashlee Long
Lauren Burns
Travis Ewald
Mike Sweeton
John Revella
Jack Farr
Lizy Philip
Al Fusco

Organization:

Orange County, Deputy County Executive
Orange County Planning
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Orange County Department of Public Works
Town of Warwick
Village of Walden
City of Port Jervis
NYS Thruway Authority
Fusco Engineering

On the Phone:

Lou Venech Port Authority of New York & New Jersey
Judith Walker Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Jim Morena MTA Metro North

Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. Booth called the meeting to order and asked for introductions.

Opportunity for Public Comment

Mr. Booth asked if there was any public comment; there was none.

Approve June 19, 2018 Meeting Summary

The meeting summary was accepted as drafted.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2017-2021

Administrative Modification OCTC17-S

Ms. Long introduced Administrative Modification OCTC17-S to the Committee. OCTC17-S includes nine projects, most of which are rolling phases due to the end of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2018). PIN 881290 (NYSDOT Bridge Rehabilitation project) is rolling from FFY 18 to FFY 19 and increasing the project funds by approximately \$0.500 for construction and construction inspection. PIN 881378 (NYSDOT Bridge Maintenance and Repair projects) was previously housed under the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee (MHSTCC) and is being moved to the OCTC TIP. Mr. Mannix added that NYSDOT regional projects are often put onto the MHSTCC TIP and moved once projects are selected. The PIN comes with its own funding and will include projects along I-84.

Ms. Long asked that project sponsors respond to OCTC17-S actions with feedback or questions by close of business on September 5, 2018.

TIP Amendment OCTC17-07

Ms. Long introduced TIP Amendment OCTC17-07 and the accompanying resolution (OCTC Resolution 2018-12), which the Committee will vote on at the following Policy Committee meeting in September. OCTC17-07 includes the deletion of PIN 876003 (Buttermilk Falls Bridge Replacement in the Town of Warwick). Mr. Sweeton added that the project's HPP funds were previously withdrawn during the statewide effort to repurpose earmark funding and allocated to another project.

PIN 876204 is an Orange County sponsored project and is being added to the TIP. This PIN includes its own funding source from the Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP) for signalized intersections and uncontrolled crosswalks.

Funding Request Discussion

The Town of Warwick requested an additional \$0.440M in funding for PIN 8760.02 (Bike Route and Pedestrian Trail). Mr. Sweeton explained that after speaking with NYSDOT Region 8 and the consulting team, extensive onsite inspection would be necessary for the project, increasing the Construction/Inspection cost from \$0.001M to \$0.168M. Mr. Mannix noted that typically Inspection will be around 10 percent of the total project cost and suggested the project sponsor reach out to the Local Projects Unit as to why the inspection cost is disproportional to the average cost and if other funding opportunities are available. Mr. Sweeton stated the Town of Warwick will not continue with the project if an offset cannot be found.

Local Project Sponsor Updates

Ms. Long asked the Committee if there any project updates members would like to report. Mr. Farr shared the Port Jervis Council voted to fund \$1.000 to \$1.200 M for the local match of the Main Street Bridge Replacement project. There should be a temporary bridge placed at the site before winter to ensure the project continues to move forward.

Mr. Revella updated the Committee on PIN 848743, Route 208 Sidewalk to Most Precious Blood School in the Village of Walden. Mr. Revella stated the contract was currently out to bid and is due back on Tuesday

Old Business

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-14: Update of the Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan

An update of the Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan, known as the Coordinated Plan, has been completed and the Council will take action on it at the next Policy Committee meeting in September. The Coordinated Plan looks at the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, seniors, low income populations, and other OC residents with enhanced mobility needs.

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-17: Endorsement of the NYSDOT 2019 Safety Target Performance Measures

Ms. Long reminded the Council of the NYSDOT 2019 Safety Target Performance Measures and introduced OCTC Resolution 2018-17. This resolution seeks to support the NYSDOT established statewide highway and non-motorized performance measures and states that the OCTC will plan and program projects that contribute to realizing the State targets. These Performance Measures were established for the 2019 Highway Safety Strategic Plan and set

statewide targets for five federally required items: Number of fatalities, Rate of fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT); Number of serious injuries; Rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT; Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries.

New Business

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-18: Endorsement of the NYSDOT Targets for Performance Measures for Bridge/Pavement Conditions and System and Freight Performance on the National Highway System

OCTC Resolution 2018-18 endorses NYSDOT's Targets for Performance Measures for Bridge/Pavement Conditions and Freight Performance on the National Highway System. The resolution states that the OCTC will plan and program projects that contribute to realizing the State targets. As of May 20, 2018, the NYSDOT targets were finalized. Per Federal regulation, MPOs were given 180 days to either formally support the State's targets or establish their own. As required by federal law, NYSDOT has established targets for four categories: Bridge Performance on the NHS; Pavement Performance on the NHS (by Interstate and Non-Interstate); System Performance on the NHS (by Interstate and Non-Interstate); Freight Performance on the NHS (for Interstate Only). Ms. Long recommends that the OCTC support the NYSDOT established statewide highway performance measures for the National Highway System (NHS).

Mr. Revella asked about the Performance Measure Targets, specifically 14% of non-interstates and if that was an acceptable level. Mr. Mannix replied that usually the acceptable rate is 10% or less, depending on the roadway type. Projects added to the TIP must be certified to support the targets and therefore showing improvement to the overall performance down the road, including Safety and other performance measures.

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-13: Unified Planning Work Program Table Amendment

As part of the Regional Transit Study being conducted by the TMA, Dutchess County Transportation Council (DCTC), Ulster County Transportation Council (UCTC), and OCTC added tables to each MPO's respective Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) reflecting this Shared Cost Initiative. Each of the three MPO's has contributed UPWP funds to this study, which OCTC is administering. The State has agreed to pick up both their match and the local match. However, due to the manner in which the State contributes their portion of the match, which is via toll credits and not cash, it was necessary to increase the amount of FTA Section 5303 funding that was being contributed. OCTC had previously stated they would contribute additional funding to the study if necessary and is now contributing \$149,958. This also requires that the other UPWP tables be amended due to adding an additional \$49,958 in funding.

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-15: Allocate Annual FTA FFY 2018 Sec 5307/5340

OCTC Resolution 2018-15 includes the allocation of annual FTA FFY 2018 Section 5307/5340 funds. Ms. Long informed the Committee that this is a routine action regarding the approval of the allocation of FFY 2018 FTA Section 5307 and 5339 funding, which are formula funds allocated to the Mid-Hudson Valley Transportation Management Area (TMA). The 5307 funding makes Federal resources available to urbanized areas for transit capital and operating assistance and transportation planning

Draft OCTC Resolution 2018-16: Allocate Annual FTA FFY 2018 Sec 5339

OCTC Resolution 2018-16 includes the allocation of FFY 2018 FTA Section 5339 funding to the Mid-Hudson Valley TMA. FTA 5339 funding makes Federal resources available to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low or no emission vehicles or facilities.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Advisory Committee Call for Members

Ms. Long informed the Committee that OCTC staff will be updating the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. As part of this process OCTC staff is looking to assemble a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Advisory Committee. This Committee will meet approximately 3 times over the course of the Plan's development. Committee members will be expected to provide input and feedback on the Plan as it develops. Ms. Long asked that if any members were interested in sitting on the Advisory Committee to reply email Julie Richmond or Ashlee Long at the Orange County Department of Planning.

Reports*OCTC Staff Reports*

Ms. Richmond updated the Committee on the status of the MHVTMA Regional Transit Study. The TMA is currently in contract negotiations with Four Square and are planning a tentative August 1st internal kick-off meeting, with an expected public kick-off meeting to occur in September.

Ms. Richmond updated the Committee on the status of the Orange County Midwestern Gateway Study. The RFPs are under review and a bid will be awarded at the end of September.

Other Member Reports

Mr. Venech informed the Committee that the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey went out to bid for the construction of a new terminal. There will also be work on I-495 in New Jersey and Coach USA moved up times by 30 minutes for all trips to Stewart International Airport.

The committee adjourned at 9:45am