

**MINUTES**  
**Of the**  
**EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**of the**  
**Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization**  
**May 17, 2017**

Attendees: Mayor Rogers Anderson, Mayor Bernie Ash, Mayor Howard Bradley, Vice-Mayor David Briley, Mayor Ernest Burgess, Mayor Jill Burgin, Mayor Patti Carroll, Mayor Jamie Clary, Mayor John Coombs, Ms. Sabrina David, Mayor Dean Dickey, Mr. Gerald Herman (for Mayor Michael Arnold), Executive Anthony Holt, Mr. Eddie Hood, Mayor Randall Hutto, Mr. Jim Kerr (for Mayor Shane McFarland), Mr. Victor Lay (for Mayor Rick Graham), Mr. Larry McGoogin (for Gov. Bill Haslam), Mayor Charlie Norman, Mayor Mary Esther Reed, Mayor Ann Schneider, Mr. Michael Skipper

**Approve April 19, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Randall Hutto, Chair, opened the meeting at 9:02 a.m. Mr. Jim Kerr moved to approve the April 19, 2017 meeting minutes with Executive Anthony Holt seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Endorse Proposed Amendments to 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan**

The MPO has proposed the following amendments to the *2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan* (RTP). Amendments to the RTP must follow the same process and procedure outlined in the MPO's Public Participation Plan (PPP) for initial adoption with one exception which is that public meetings are not required in each county. A 30-day public review and comment period and two public hearings are required prior to adoption by the Board.

Ms. Anna Emerson, MPO staff, briefly went over each proposed amendment. Executive Holt moved to endorse the amendments for public review and comment. Mr. Eddie Hood seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

More information is available at [NashvilleMPO.org/plans\\_programs/tip/](http://NashvilleMPO.org/plans_programs/tip/).

<b>Amendment</b>	<b>TIP #</b>	<b>RTP #</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Action</b>
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2017-001	2016-14-228	NA	I-24 Interchange Modification at Hickory Hollow Parkway	Metro Nashville	Add Project to 2020 Horizon
2017-002	Pending	NA	W.A. Batson Parkway Extension (Phase 1)	City of Springfield	Add Project to 2020 Horizon
2017-003	Pending	NA	Saturn Parkway (SR-396) Extension	TDOT	Add Project to 2020 Horizon
2017-004	NA	NA	I-440 Reconstruction	TDOT	Add Project to 2020 Horizon
2017-005	Pending	NA	I-24 Conceptual Study and Improvements	TDOT	Add Project to 2020 Horizon
2017-006	Pending	NA	I-40 SmartWay Expansion	TDOT	Add project to 2020 Horizon

**SCHEDULE:**

- 5/3 – TCC Endorsement for Public Comment and Review
- **5/17 – XB Endorsement for Public Comment and Review**
- 5/17-6/21 – Public Review and Comment Period
- 6/14 – First Public Hearing (TCC)
- 6/21– Second Public Hearing / Adoption (XB)

**Endorse Proposed Amendments to FY 2017-2020 TIP**

Ms. Emerson said that the MPO has proposed the following amendments to the *Transportation Improvement Program* (TIP). A 21-day public review and comment period and two public hearings are required prior to adoption by the Board. Ms. Emerson briefly went over the proposed amendments.

Vice-Mayor David Briley said that the I-440 Reconstruction project has not been approved by the Metro Council and questioned if any widening of the roadway would impact Metro’s greenway project. Mr. Joe Deering of TDOT said that the project runs from Charlotte Pike to Nolensville Pike and would be widened using the inside existing right of-way, not the outside of the existing shoulder and shouldn’t affect the greenway project. Vice-Mayor Briley asked if there had been any public input. Ms. Michelle Lacewell, Interim MPO Director, said that there is a 30-day public review and comment period prior to adoption into the TIP.

Mayor Ernest Burgess asked when a project will begin once it is put into the 2020 Horizon. Mr. Larry McGoogin, TDOT, said that with the funds now available the projects will move forward. Mayor Hutto said that if a project is in the RTP it is planned, but phases begin once it is in the TIP. Ms. Lacewell said that these projects aren't relying on federal funds but state and local funding.

Mayor Rogers Anderson moved to endorse the proposed amendments for public review and comment. Mr. Kerr seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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2017-018	2017-31-031	Contingent	W.A. Batson Parkway Extension (Phase 1)	City of Springfield	Add Project (contingent on RTP amendment)
2017-019	2011-42-143	1042-131	Bradyville Pike (SR-99) Widening	City of Murfreesboro	Add Type of Work
2017-020	2017-61-032	Contingent	Saturn Parkway (SR-396) Extension	TDOT	Add Project (contingent on RTP amendment)
2017-021	2017-89-033	Consistent	South Corridor Transit Feasibility Study	RTA	Add Project
2017-022	2013-85-207	Consistent	Music City Star Passing Siding	RTA	Shift Funds
2017-023	2002-029	1052-180	Walton Ferry and Old Shackle Island Road Improvements Project	City of Hendersonville	Edit Project Limits
2017-024	2016-82-229	1032-109	SR-65/US-431 Widening	TDOT	Add Funds; Edit Project Length
2017-025	2017-110-034	Contingent	I-440 Reconstruction	TDOT	Add Project
2017-026	2017-61-035	1062-137	Mack Hatcher Parkway West Extension	TDOT	Add Project
2017-027	2009-72-035	1072-348	SR-109 Widening	TDOT	Add Project
2017-028	2017-72-036	1072-237	Hartsville Pike (SR-141) Widening	TDOT	Add Project
2017-029	2017-52-037	1685-158	Vietnam Veterans Parkway (SR-386) Transit Managed Lanes and Widening	TDOT	Add Project
2017-030	2017-62-	1062-234	Murfreesboro Pike (SR-96)	TDOT	Add Project

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	038		Widening (Segment 1)		
2017-031	2017-19-039	Contingent	I-24 Conceptual Study and Improvements	TDOT	Add Project
2017-032	2017-87-040	Contingent	Nashville Area I-40 SmartWay Expansion	TDOT	Add Project

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**Vote on Joint Resolution 2017-J001**

Joint Committee Co-Chair, Mayor Mary Esther Reed said that on April 11, the MPO/GNRC Joint Committee voted to recommend to the respective boards that the MPO program be integrated into the GNRC. Today, there is a Joint Resolution to this end for vote. She said that this Resolution formally documents the process and to identify the steps to be taken to achieve this.

Joint Committee Co-Chair, Mayor Reed said that the Resolution 1) Intends to integrate the federally-required MPO program for the designated MPA, along with all associated staffing and administrative support and executive board functions, into the Regional Council, and to take the necessary steps during the remainder of federal fiscal year 2017 to facilitate such integration, 2) requests that the TDOT coordinate with the Metropolitan Planning Commission of Nashville-Davidson County to re-assign federal planning grant contracts to GNRC in order to fund the activities of the MPO program, 3) Directs the respective staffs to coordinate with their Board leadership and the appropriate state and federal partners to develop a "Transportation Policy and Planning Agreement to define the MPO Executive Board's oversight of the MPO planning process carried out by GNRC and to prepare necessary amendments to organizational bylaws, budgets and contracts, work programs, and other documents required by state and federal law that need to reflect the integration, 4) Agrees to extend the MOA through September 30, 2017 to allow additional time to facilitate the implementation of the Joint Committee's recommendation, and 5) Calls on the Joint Committee to continue its work to oversee the process of integration and to make periodic reports on the progress to the governing body of each organization.

She said that with the adoption of this Resolution the board was approving integration of the MPO program and GNRC. Staff would continue to work with the Joint Committee to develop the documents that will be needed to be approved by this Board in the coming months. She said that a vote

today does not change the current operation of the MPO, the Executive Board or the Technical Coordinating Committee, but the Resolution is important for three reasons: 1) it formally extends through September 30, 2017 the MOA that is set to expire, 2) it authorizes the Chair to send letter to TDOT requesting that they begin the process of reassigning the federal planning grant that fund the MPO activities from Metro Nashville to GNRC. This will take some time and the process is currently being defined by TDOT, and 3) while some members of the Board have been deeply involved in this process, neither the MPO nor the GNRC Board have formally adopted the joint committee's recommendations. This resolution is necessary to document the progress to-date and confirm board support for moving forward with the steps outlined in the resolution.

She said that the MPO and GNRC staff have met at length with TDOT and FHWA to insure that we move forward and that they are included in this process as the Board drafts the necessary changes to the federally required documents, sponsorship agreements, and Bylaws.

She said that the joint committee formally requests that the Boards adopt the Joint Resolution 2017-J001 today.

Mayor Howard Bradley moved to adopt the Joint Resolution 2017-J001 with Mayor Dean Dickey seconding. The motion passed with one dissenting vote by Vice-Mayor Briley.

*More information on the MPO/GNRC Joint Committee work to date and related documents available online at [COG.NashvilleMPO.org](http://COG.NashvilleMPO.org).*

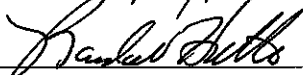
### **Director's Report**

- Update on FY 18 UPWP  
Ms. Lacewell said that the draft of the FY 18 UPWP has been reviewed by TDOT and is now at FHWA for review. The draft will be presented to the Board for adoption in August after public review and comment.
- TDOT 3-year work program  
Mr. Larry McGoogin said that TDOT appreciates the Board accommodating the changes to the RTP and the TIP to include the projects from the 3-year work program.


**Other Business**

Mayor Hutto thanked Mayor Reed for the summary of the Resolution. He said that there has been good progress on the details. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Date: 4/21/17



The Honorable Randall Hutto  
Chairman, MPO Executive Board



Michelle Lacewell, Interim MPO Director  
Secretary, Executive Board