Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council Technical Committee

October 13, 2010
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Location: Indianapolis Traffic Management Center
8620 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis
Conference Rooms C, D, and E

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions	Lori Miser	
Items for Approval /Referral to Policy Committee		
2. Minutes from meeting of August 11, 2010	Lori Miser	5 min.
3. 2011-2012 Unified Planning Work Program	Philip Roth	15 min,
4. Indianapolis Regional Transportation Improvement Program 4th Qtr Amendments: 2009-2012	Cat Schoenherr	10 min.
Status Reports		
5. Indy Connect ▪ **2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update** ➢ **Network analysis** ➢ **Fiscal constraint** ▪ **Fall round of public meetings**	Stephanie Belch Joe Guerre	60 min.
6. IRTIP Activities Update ▪ **Status Report: TE, CMAQ, HSIP** ▪ **2012-2015 IRTIP development**	Mike Dearing Steve Cunningham	5 min.
7. Data Activities Update • **Central Indiana Pavement Condition Inventory**	Andrew Swenson	10 min.
8. Administrative Activities Update	Philip Roth	5 min.
9. Historic Michigan Road Byway Application	Kurt Garner	10 min.
Other Business		
10. Announcements, other *Upcoming meetings:* *Special IRTC meeting: December 9, 2010* *INDOT Traffic Management Center, 8630 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis*	Lori Miser	5 min.

Materials are attached pertaining to agenda items 2, 3, 4, and 6

Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council
Technical Committee Meeting Minutes
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Indianapolis, IN

Committee Members Present

Ross Snider – Boone County	Brad Davis- Hamilton County
*Trent Newport – City of Beech Grove	Bill Hall- Hancock County*
David Littlejohn-City of Carmel**	Mike Pelham – Johnson County
Mike McBride – City of Carmel	Todd Barker – Town of Brownsburg
Todd Wilkerson-City of Franklin*	Jeff Heiking – Town of Fishers
Paul Peoni- City of Greenwood*	Tami Otto- Town of Fishers*
Larry Jones – City of Indianapolis*	John Myers- Town of Speedway*
Long Nguyen- City of Indianapolis	Don McGillem Town of Plainfield*
Wendell Walters – City of Speedway	Ron Crider – Town of McCordsville
Donna Luley- City of Westfield	Lance Lantz – Town of Zionsville
Larry Heil – FHWA	

* = Voting member or proxy

Others Present

Long Nguyen – City of Indianapolis	Philip Roth – MPO
Shahnaz Afzaal – INDOT Greenfield	Anna Tyszkiewicz-MPO
Tom Beck-MPO	Joe Guerre – Cambridge Systematics, Inc.
Stephanie Belch-MPO	Brook Thomas - HNTB
Steve Cunningham-MPO	Chris Kopp- HNTB
Mike Dearing-MPO	Eric Knipe – O.R. Colan
Cat Schoenherr-MPO	Dennis Stettler – United Consulting
Jeremy Moore- MPO	Cathy Morton – Wilbur Smith Assoc

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Philip Roth opened the meeting and welcomed the IRTC members and visitors. He allowed everyone to introduce themselves.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (SEEKING APPROVAL)*

Mike Pelham moved to approve the August 11, 2010 minutes.
Paul Peoni seconded the motion.
The minutes of the August 11, 2010 IRTC Technical Committee Meeting were approved.

2011 – 2012 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Philip Roth noted that the UPWP highlights plans and studies that are regionally significant. The funding source (Federal/Local) is not contingent on whether it needs to be in the UPWP, it is the regional significance of the project. This document is one of the core documents for which the MPO is responsible. Roth noted that the following items will be undertaken in the new UPWP: Transit Oriented Development Study, Regional Bike Plan, Strategic Plan, Expanded Pavement Inventory, and Online Transportation Improvement Program Application.

Jeff Heiking moved to approve the 2011-2012 Unified Planning Work Program.
Larry Jones seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF INDIANAPOLIS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 4TH QTR AMENDMENTS: 2009-2012

Cat Schoenherr provided a list of proposed amendments to the IRTIP for review. The amendments were offered for public review and comment. She noted that there were no comments submitted. Also, upon approval by the IRTC Technical Committee members the proposed amendments would go to the IRTC Policy Committee for final approval. Schoenherr noted that thirty-six of the amendments were INDOT's, and three add newly awarded State of Good Repair and Transit Security Grants for IndyGo. Schoenherr specifically highlighted two amendments proposed for projects with Group 1 STP funds

Town of Plainfield

- DES # 0400146 (including des #s 0400987 & 0400988) – NE Perimeter Parkway Phase 1, Township Line Rd. from Dan Jones Rd. to US 40, roadway reconstruction/rehabilitation. Increase total CN/CN INS from $8,028,185 to $8,779,290 ($7,023,432 federal Group 1 STP funds and $1,755,858 local match) in FY 2011.

This amendment would add $600,884 of the MPO's federal Group 1 STP funds to the project due to need for added environmental mitigation and stream relocation, as well as the inclusion of a roundabout at Smith Road intersection and additional work for storm water quality.

City of Indianapolis

- DES # 1000065 – Georgia Street pedestrian enhancement from Pennsylvania St. to Capitol Ave. Add $2,500,000 to the current total of $10,000,000 in TE funds ($2,000,000 federal Group 1 STP and $500,000 local match) in FY 2011.

This amendment reflects the need for the City of Indianapolis to complete pedestrian enhancements/road reconstruction along Georgia Street by November 1st, 2011 – prior to the 2012 Super Bowl. The additional STP funds are to be used as a contingency to the State/Federal TE grant, and will only be used in the event that the project cannot be completed within the $10,000,000 budget.

Larry Jones from the City of Indianapolis noted that the City is only seeking these funds as a contingency, since the project is such a unique project for the Super Bowl. Jones noted that there are a lot of unique features in the project could cause the total project cost to increase. The City does not have time to re-bid the project. To save time, the City is bidding a federal project locally.

Brad Davis questioned staff on the balance of STP funds. Currently, MPO staff is working with INDOT to determine that final figure.

Mike McBride moved to approve the Fourth Quarter Amendments to the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan.
Don McGillem seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

STATUS REPORTS

INDY CONNECT – 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Chris Kopp provided a power point presentation and spoke on preparation of additional rankings based on capital cost estimates provided by the Central Indiana Transit Task Force data. The ranking changes were due to new operating cost estimates, loss in revenue projections and benefits measures which were provided by the MPO's new origin zone destination trip table, part of the model. Cambridge Systematics is currently integrating all the information and recommendations into the cash flow model to develop a fiscally constrained plan. Kopp went over potential revenue sources for the mass transit portion of the Long Range Transportation Plan. Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) ranked very highly on the cost benefit analysis. As a result, it is recommended that several lines start out as BRT and then possibly transition into Light Rail. Kopp mentioned that immediately after a referendum passes, the bus system could immediately begin implementation with bonds issued against the new funding source. The current plan would triple the bus system fleet. Kopp discussed the phasing of the bus and premium transit into the region should additional dedicated local funding become available. It is estimated that it would cost approximately $15 per household per month.

Philip Roth spoke briefly on the fiscal constraint of the Long Range Transportation Plan and updated the committee on the next round of Indy Connect. Roth noted that the next round of Indy Connect is intended to kick off at the end of October/early November.

IRTIP ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Mike Dearing reviewed the schedule for the submission of project proposals using TE, CMAQ, SRTS, and HSIP funds. Eleven CMAQ applications were received. Six were forwarded to the State for review and final approval. Those were; Carmel for a roundabout on 111th St. and College Ave., and a pathway on 106th from Ditch to Illinois; two DPW applications for multiuse pathways on 62nd and 71st St., and another for the Knozone outreach program for 2012-2014; and the IndyGo Transit Outreach program. The MPO received 16 proposals for HSIP funds. Dearing noted that the next round of CMAQ applications is due on December 3. It is anticipated that these funds will still be 100% federal funds. FHWA is encouraging the MPO to develop a 4 year list of committed projects.

Cat Schoenherr noted that the there was a call for additional IRTIP projects since the new TIP would be 2012-2015, adding more one additional year than originally planned. The pavement condition index should be finished in November and then the team will begin evaluating projects.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Philip Roth noted that a 2011 IRTC Meeting Schedule could be found in the packet.

HISTORIC MICHIGAN ROAD BYWAY

Kurt Garner was present at the IRTC Technical Meeting to discuss designating Michigan Road as a Historic Byway. He noted a Historic Michigan Road Byway Committee was established with two members from each county on it. The Michigan Road Historic Byways Committee believes that making this road a Historic Byway will increase heritage tourism and boost local economies. The IRTC Technical Committee gave its informal consent to the project and recommended that it move forward to the Policy Committee for formal endorsement.

ADJOURNMENT

Roth moved to adjourn the IRTC Technical Committee meeting at 10:36am.