

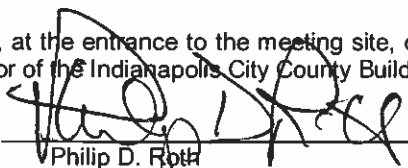
INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council: Policy Committee Meeting

AGENDA

Date: August 17, 2011
Time: 9:00 am
Place: Indianapolis Traffic Management Center
 8620 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis
 Conference Rooms C, D, and E

1. Welcome & Introductions	Mayor Greg Ballard Chairman	
Items for Approval		
2. Minutes from meeting of May 4, 2011	Lori Miser	
3. 3rd Quarter IRTIP Amendments	Steve Cunningham Cat Schoenherr	10 min.
4. Summer 2011 CMAQ funding applications	Mike Dearing	5 min.
Status Reports		
5. Central Indiana Transit Task Force Presentation	Ron Gifford, CEO, CITTF	20 min.
6. 96th Street and Keystone Avenue	Mike McBride City of Carmel	15 min.
7. Georgia Street Update	Larry Jones City of Indianapolis	10 min.
8. IRTIP Activities Update	Mike Dearing Cat Schoenherr	10 min.
9. Administrative Activities Update	Philip Roth	5 min.
• 2012 UPWP preparation		
10. Multimodal Activities Update	Lori Miser Jeremy Moore	15 min.
▪ Bike Plan Update		
11. Long Range Regional Transportation Plan	Stephanie Belch	5 min.
12. Data Activities Update	Andrew Swenson	5 min.
Other Business		
13. Announcements, Upcoming Meetings, and other matters	Lori Miser	5 min.
<i>Indy Connect Day at the Indiana State Fair: August 19, 2011</i> <i>Statewide MPO Conference: October 12-14, Eiteljorg Museum</i> <i>Policy Committee: November 2, 2011</i> <i>INDOT Traffic Management Center, 8620 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis</i> <i>9:00 am to 11:00 am</i>		
<i>Materials pertinent to item #'s 2, 3, 4, 8, and 13 are attached. Notebook updates will be distributed at the meeting, so please bring your notebooks to the meeting. If you have not yet received a notebook, you will be given one at the meeting. If you have lost or misplaced your notebook, please contact Anita Bjork at 327-5136 for a replacement.</i>		

I do hereby certify that the above notice was posted the 10th day of August, 2011, at the entrance to the meeting site, on the MPO's web site (www.indympo.org), and on the Notice Bulletin Board on the first floor of the Indianapolis City County Building.


 Philip D. Roth

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Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes
August 17th, 2011
9:00 a.m-11:00 a.m.
Indianapolis Traffic Management Center
8620 E 21st Street, Indianapolis
Indianapolis, IN

Committee Members Present

Larry Jonas-City of New Palestine *	Christine Altman- Hamilton County*
Tom Klein- Town of Avon*	Trevor Ocock-- IndyGo*
Tonya Galbraith-Town of McCordsville*	Luke Mastin-Johnson County*
Mike Hollibaugh – City of Carmel*	Mayor Robin Thoman-City of Southport*
Don Adams-Morgan County*	Mark Richards- City of Greenwood*
Neil VanTrees-City of Westfield*	Larry Jones – City of Indianapolis*
Larry Heil – FHWA	Wendell Walters-Town of Speedway*
Ehren Bingaman- CIRTA*	Lesla Ternet- Hendricks County*
Tim Ping- City of Indianapolis MDC*	Brandye Hendrickson- INDOT*
Mike McBride-City of Carmel*	Richard Carlucci- Town of Plainfield*
Dale Cheatham-Town of Brownsburg*	Scott Fadness-City of Fishers*
Kurt Wanniger-City of Westfield*	Roy Nunnally-INDOT*

* = Voting member or proxy

Others Present

Bill Hall- United Consulting	Philip Roth – MPO
Lori Miser- MPO	Anna Tyszkiewicz-MPO
Jim Stout-IMAGIS	Tom Beck-MPO
Ron Gifford-CITTF	Stephanie Belch-MPO
Andrew Swenson- MPO	Steve Cunningham-MPO
Steve Fehribach- A&F Engineering	Mike Dearing-MPO
Kim Irwin-HBD/Citizens Alliance for Transit	Cat Schoenherr-MPO
Jeremy Moore- MPO	Dave Henkel-RW Armstrong
Marty Weaver-United Consultant	Mike Maives-American Structurepoint
Mike McBride- City of Carmel	

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Lori Miser opened the meeting and welcomed the IRTC members and visitors. She allowed everyone to introduce themselves. She reminded everyone of the IndyConnect Day at the Indiana State Fair on August 19th. Also, she acknowledged the MPO is on Facebook and suggested that IRTC members “friend” the MPO noting that it is yet another way to gain information about MPO activities.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (SEEKING APPROVAL)

Mayor Thoman moved to approve the May 4, 2011 minutes.
Ehren Bingaman seconded the motion.
 The minutes of the May 4, 2011 IRTC Policy Committee Meeting were approved.

APPROVAL OF INDIANAPOLIS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 3RD QTR AMENDMENTS: 2009-2012

Cat Schoenherr provided the list of proposed amendments to the 2012-2015 IRTIP for review. She explained the amendments were offered for public review and comment beginning July 20th thru July 27th. The proposed amendments are presented to the IRTC Policy Committee for final approval.

This quarter, the MPO received requests for three amendments to local projects funded with the MPO's Group 1 (Urban) STP funds. These projects were originally programmed in IRTIPs prior to the current (2012-2015) IRTIP, so they are not subject to the 10% cap on cost increases. The details of these amendments are as follows.

Cicero – 0810329 – Morse Reservoir, pedestrian walkway over causeway, CN/CN INS in FY 2012. Increase Group 1 STP funds \$320,000 (15.4%) for a new total of \$2,925,000 (\$2,340,000 federal Group 1 STP and \$585,000 local match.) The increase in cost is due to additional utility relocations for Duke, Frontier & Comcast that have been found to be reimbursable.

Brownsburg – 0200705 – East Northfield Dr. from 56th St. southeast to US 136, existing roadway capacity improvement, CN/CN INS in FY 2012. Add project to FY 2012 to use funds left over from the West Northfield Dr. project. This project was originally funded with Group 3 funds that were lost when Brownsburg became incorporated in the UAB following the 2000 Census. This proposal allows the project to receive Group 1 STP funds that were originally intended for the West portion of Northfield Dr., but were not used due to a miscommunication that caused the project to be funded locally.

Hamilton Co. – 0810287 – 146th St. Phase 1 from Springmill Rd. to Ditch Rd., existing roadway capacity improvement, CN/CN INS in FY 2012. Move to FY 2013 and increase Group 1 STP funds by \$90,000 (1.7%) for a new total of \$6,727,500 (\$5,382,000 federal Group 1 STP and \$1,345,500 local match) The increase in cost is due to a refined cost estimate for the project.

The remaining local amendments and six proposed INDOT amendments will not affect the Group 1 STP balance. Amendments for local projects are summarized below and a detailed list can be found attached as Exhibit A.

- Five amendments add Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects for Fishers, Indianapolis and Westfield, while one amendment transfers funding from an Indianapolis TE project in Woodruff Place to a project on Washington St.
- Four add Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) projects in Indianapolis and Westfield.
- One adds a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) project for Indianapolis;
- Two add Section 5310- Specialized Transportation Program funds for local transit providers;
- Two add locally funded projects for Franklin and Boone co; and
- Two amendments add High Priority funds to phases of the Ronald Regan Pkwy. in Hendricks Co.

Cat summarized that the proposed amendments will result in a programmed increase of \$410,000 Group 1 Urban STP funds. The remaining Group 1 STP balance will then be \$5,208,214. As cost increases on STP projects programmed before 2013 were not subject to a cap, the MPO will continue funding those projects at 80/20 through completion. Currently, the STP balance contains just enough to fund cost increases on the newly programmed projects, which are subject to a 10% cap on cost increases. As projects continue to show cost favorability upon bidding, the balance of STP funds may increase. Should costs continue to rise, the MPO and IRTC will have to decide on the best course of action to address the needs of projects both currently underway and programmed in future years of the IRTIP. The proposed amendments in their entirety were included as Exhibit A for review.

There were no emergency amendments approved since the 2nd Quarter 2011 IRTC meetings. A listing of the administrative modifications was provided. She stated the MPO continues to ask that any agency with an active or programmed project in the IRTIP provide the MPO with any changes in status (cost, letting dates, etc.) The next deadline for quarterly IRTIP amendments will be September 21, 2011. She reminded the group that all amendment or modification requests must be submitted using the TIP amendment request form which is available on the MPO's website.

Christine Altman questioned the costs on the Cicero project regarding relocation of utilities as Hamilton County has a similar project on a bridge over 146th St. A Cicero representative was not available to answer questions. **Lori Miser** reminded the group that lack of a representative for a pending project which requires IRTC approval would not be voted on by the IRTC Policy committee. **Steve Cunningham** said that approval could be delayed to the 4th quarter. **Bill Hall** acknowledged that would delay signing of reimbursable funding agreements as Duke requires money upfront on the project. **Christine Altman** explained the state statute on utility relocation. **Larry Jones** noted that Indianapolis has a local ordinance in place regarding utility relocation. **Larry Heil** said he needs to review for clarification and consistency.

Mayor Thoman moved to approve the Third Quarter Amendments to the Regional Transportation Improvement Plan.

Christine Altman seconded the motion. Subject to FHWA review of the Cicero issue the motion passed.

Mike Dearing summarized the Summer 2011 CMAQ funding applications. He provided a handout for review by the IRTC Policy Committee.

Richard Carlucci moved to approve CMAQ funding applications
Mayor Thoman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

STATUS REPORTS

CENTRAL INDIANA TRANSIT TASK FORCE PRESENTATION

Ron Gifford, CEO of the Central Indiana Transit Task Force (CITTF) provided a power point presentation on the history of CITTF. He covered the transit study and data, technology, development of IndyConnect, the refinement of the regional plan, viability, federal investment and dedicated funding sources. He discussed the subsequent activities in 2011 and actions to come in 2012.

Tom Klein and **Tonya Galbraith** inquired about legislative support. **Ron Gifford** confirmed the outlook was positive. The concerns are about dedicated dollars for funding. The conversations will be on going and Ron will provide updates as appropriate.

SUMMER STUDY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Lori Miser mentioned that Rep. Soliday has asked for a status of the infrastructure in central Indiana. She will make a presentation to the committee on August 23rd.

96TH STREET AND KEYSTONE AVENUE UPDATE

Mike McBride, City Engineer of City of Carmel reviewed the 96th Street and Keystone Avenue development. He showed a video presentation which depicted the history of the Keystone Parkway project, the interchanges and roundabouts, the safety studies and decrease in accidents, improved traffic flow, environmental impacts and signal changes.

He also discussed the state improvements of I-465, the investment and grant application update, the plans for completion, the interim traffic changes during construction and priorities as the project moves to completion. **Tom Klein** asked about the cost of the project. Mike said \$35-40 million for the interim, project will total \$50 million for the full build out. He also provided photos.

GEORGIA STREET UPDATE

Larry Jones provided a Georgia Street update. He discussed the change orders which to date total \$500,000. He said there are 2 security cameras at every block which are wired directly into IMPD. The cameras will be running 24-7 for every event. The project is making progress and will be completed in early November.

IRTIP ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Mike Dearing provided an IRTIP activities update. He urged all jurisdictions with active HSIP projects to move forward with the necessary paperwork to get the money obligated. He said that out of \$10 million dollars approximately \$2 million still can be spent. He told the group that there will be no call for Fall 2011 CMAQ, HSIP or TE projects because of the uncertainty of the upcoming Transportation Bill. He will provide information and updates as he receives it.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES UPDATE

UPWP

Philip Roth gave an administrative status report on the UPWP 2011-2012. He does not foresee any changes. But he acknowledged that there are not enough PL funds for local planning studies. He said there could be a possibility of diverting STP funds if there is a critical need for a planning study. He said census information will be coming out soon.

He said the MPO has submitted a grant application to conduct transit alternatives analysis for a north-south corridor to Carmel and Johnson County and an east-west corridor on Washington Street. If awarded there will be upcoming discussion for the local match portion.

LOCAL MATCH

Philip Roth said there was an error in the calculations for this year's local match for a few members. He provided a short explanation of the error. The checks with the differences will be sent to the communities that had overpaid. Mike Dearing has notified the communities involved.

MULTIMODAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Jeremy Moore provided a Bike Plan update for the committee. He gave a review of the history of the project, the steering committee members, and the long range plan component. He provided a statistical data on ridership, the plan vision and goals, scoring of the plan, plan for expenditures and cost estimates and policy recommendations and requirements of bike lanes and systems. He discussed the public meetings and surveys and the growth of bikeways and targets. **Richard Carlucci** asked about the concern of the scoring system which appeared to be weighted toward Marion County projects. Jeremy said they made the changes and adjusted the population/employment scores and increased the regional priorities. He stated that as the plan is updated every four years and re-evaluated there could be changes. **Mayor Thoman** asked about the infill spots of east-west thoroughfares. A general discussion ensued. **Christine Altman** asked that the plan be reviewed when the new census information is available since population is a scoring factor. **Tonya Galbraith** said that population growth needs to be recognized more. **Larry Heil** said the bike projects need to be in the transportation plan and be put in the TIP for funding. The Bike Plan will be sent for public review. Afterwards, the information will be provided to the IRTC for further discussions and considerations before final adoption.

Kim Irwin, of Citizens Alliance for Transit and **Ehren Bingaman** discussed the petition for a dedicated funding source for transit. The results demonstrate local interest in transit. The outcome has been very favorable. Hamilton County commissioners have passed a resolution. There are a total of 33 signed/approved resolutions thus far. He said the partnerships are extensive. A network is building as the legislative process begins and as it nears a referendum. **Lori Miser** asked if the IRTC should consider a resolution. **Ehren Bingaman** confirmed they should and he will draft a resolution to be considered for the next meeting. **Kim Irwin** said a transit coalition like ICAT will continue to facilitate and build support for transit because the need is great. The coalition will provide political cover to the IRTC to make sure the voice of the public is heard.

LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Stephanie Belch spoke about the ADA transition plans which are currently a priority of the FHWA. The MPO will assist LPA's and provide information for development of their plans.

DATA ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Andy Swenson gave a data activities status report. The Census Bureau released information on August 5th. The data will be processed and the information will be posted on-line. The economic data will be processed. Traffic counts will continue into the Fall. The HPMS data will be updated. The pavement data was completed by AECOM and will be making that data available. The travel survey data will also be available soon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The upcoming MPO conference will be held on October 12-14th. The IRTC is invited to attend. Also, if a project has been completed that a member thinks it should be recognized for an award they are asked to complete the nomination form and submit it to Mike Dearing. Information on the conference was provided.

The Indiana State Fair – Indy Connect Day is August 19th. There are free tickets for those who would like to attend the event.

The Rep. Soliday Summer Study Committee will meet on August 23rd. Please encourage your technical committees to provide total dollars spent on infrastructure in your communities.

Tempo newsletter will be going out soon. The MPO is requesting articles or ideas by August 26th.

Larry Heil commended the MPO on the updated air quality modeling.

ADJOURNMENT

Lori Miser moved to adjourn the IRTC Policy Committee meeting at 10:54 a.m.