



**DCHC MPO Board  
Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

9:00 AM

Committee Room 2nd Floor  
Durham City Hall 101 City Hall Plaza  
Durham, NC 27701

**1. Roll Call****2. Ethics Reminder**

It is the duty of every Board member to avoid conflicts of interest. Does any Board member have any known conflict of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board today? If so, please identify the conflict and refrain from any participation in the particular matter involved.

**3. Adjustments to the Agenda****4. Public Comments****5. Directives to Staff**

[16-100](#)

**Attachments:** [2016-11-09 MPO Board Directives to Staff.pdf](#)

**CONSENT AGENDA****6. October 19, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes**

[16-199](#)

A copy of the October 19, 2016 Board meeting minutes is enclosed.

**Board Action:** Approve the minutes of the October 19, 2016 Board meeting

**Attachments:** [2016-11-09 Board Minutes 10.19.16\\_LPA2.pdf](#)

**ACTION ITEMS**

**7. 2040 MTP Amendment #3 and D-O LRT LPA (Extension to NCCU) --**[16-192](#)**Public Hearing -- (20 minutes)****Andy Henry, LPA Staff****Patrick McDonough, GoTriangle**

At the 10/19 Board meeting, the MPO released for public comment an amendment to the Locally-Preferred Alternative (LPA) for the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit system (D-O LRT) and an amendment to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Both amendments are to extend the D-O LRT from Alston Avenue to a station at the North Carolina Central University (NCCU). Engineering studies have shown that the extension is technically feasible and modeling indicates the added station will generate high ridership.

Today, the MPO Board is to hold a public hearing on the amendments. The public comment period is from October 19, 2016 through December 6, 2016, which meets the minimum 42-day public comment period as required by the DCHC MPO public involvement policy. The MPO Board can approve the amendment at their December 14, 2016 meeting, which meets the GoTriangle objective for this process, i.e., December 31, 2016. The following MPO Web page provides details and a map on these amendments: <http://bit.ly/NCCUExtension>

**TC Recommendation:** Recommend that the MPO Board release the amendment to the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and Amendment #3 to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan related to the proposed extension of the D-O LRT to North Carolina Central University (NCCU).

**Board Action:** Conduct a public hearing on the amendment to the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) and Amendment #3 to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan related to the proposed extension of the D-O LRT to North Carolina Central University (NCCU).

8. **SPOT P4.0 Division Needs Tier Project Priorities and Local Input Points (15 minutes)**

[16-191](#)

**Dale McKeel, LPA Staff**

**Background**

The DCHC MPO Board at its meeting on October 19 adopted a motion to do the following in regard to SPOT 4.0: (1) Extend public review and comment period to November 9; (2) Grant DCHC MPO LPA staff the flexibility to coordinate with other MPOs, RPOs, and Divisions on the assignment of Local Input Points for the Division Needs tier and make modifications, if necessary, to the preliminary assignment of DCHC MPO's Local Input Points to maximize the potential number of projects in the DCHC MPO area to receive funding through the NCDOT SPOT P4.0 process; (3) Request that Division 8 put Local Input Points toward the NC 751-O'Kelly Chapel Road intersection; (4) Request that Division 7 put Local Input Points toward (a) Estes Drive Bike-Ped, (b) Jones Ferry Rd Sidewalk, and (c) Barnes Street Sidewalk, in that priority order; and (5) Request that Division 5 put Local Input Points toward the Duke Belt Line Trail and not put points on the NC 751 widening between NC 54 and Auto Park Blvd.

The attachments to this agenda item present the recommended priorities for the preliminary assignment of Local Input Points for the Division Needs tier that were released for public comment. The timeframe for submitting specific point assignments for the Division Needs tier into SPOT Online is November 14, 2016.

Please refer to File ID 16-179 for prior information on SPOT 4.0 Division Needs Tier Project Priorities and Local Input Points.

**TC Recommendation:** Reviewed public comments received, heard reports from LPA staff and MPO Division representatives, and recommended that the DCHC MPO Board on November 9 review public comments received, hold a public hearing, approve final Local Input Points Assignment, and approve requests to Divisions 5, 7, and 8 on the assignment of Division Local Input Points.

**Board Action:** Review public comments received, hold a public hearing, approve final Local Input Points Assignment, and approve requests to Divisions 5, 7, and 8 on the assignment of Division Local Input Points.

**Attachments:** [2016-11-09 SPOT - Preliminary DCHC MPO Preliminary Local Input Point Assig](#)  
[2016-11-09 SPOT - Projects Not Receiving Points.pdf](#)  
[2016-11-09 -SPOT - Resolution approving input points for division needs categc](#)

**9. Election of DCHC MPO Board Officers for 2017 (10 minutes)** [16-200](#)**Steve Schewel, Board Chair****Felix Nwoko, LPA Staff**

The election of DCHC MPO Board officers for the upcoming calendar year occurs during the last MPO Board meeting of every year. The MPO Board Chair is to appoint a nominating committee in November to report back to the MPO Board in December.

The MPO Board Bylaws state that the term for Chair and Vice-Chair are one-year and officers cannot serve more than two consecutive terms. In addition, the Chair shall rotate among the jurisdictions represented in Durham County, Orange County, and Chatham County so that successive Chairs come from different counties. For example, if the Chair is from the City of Durham or Durham County, the next Chair shall be from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Hillsborough, Orange County, or Chatham County. The Vice-Chair shall be from a jurisdiction located in one of the two other counties.

Steve Schewel and Damon Seils are in their first terms as Board Chair and Vice-Chair, respectively, and are therefore eligible to serve another term in their current offices.

**Chair Action:** Appoint a nominating committee to report back to the Board in December.

**REPORTS:****10. Report from the Board Chair** [16-101](#)**Steve Schewel, Board Chair**

**Board Action:** Receive the report from the Board Chair.

**11. Report from the Technical Committee Chair** [16-102](#)**David Bonk, TC Chair**

**Board Action:** Receive the report from the TC Chair.

**12. Report from LPA Staff** [16-103](#)**Felix Nwoko, LPA Manager**

**Board Action:** Receive the report from LPA Staff.

**Attachments:** [2016-11-09 LPA staff report.pdf](#)

**13. NCDOT Report** [16-104](#)**Joey Hopkins (David Keilson/Richard Hancock), Division 5 - NCDOT****Mike Mills (Pat Wilson/Ed Lewis), Division 7 - NCDOT****Brandon Jones (Jen Britt), Division 8 - NCDOT****Julie Bollinger, Transportation Planning Branch - NCDOT****Kelly Becker, Traffic Operations - NCDOT**

**Board Action:** Receive the reports from NCDOT.

**Attachments:** [2016-11-09 NCDOT Progress Report.pdf](#)

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS****14. Recent News Articles and Updates**[16-105](#)

Attachments:      [2016-11-09 news\\_articles.pdf](#)

**15. Joint CAMPO-DCHC MPO Board Meeting**[16-203](#)

Attachments:      [2016-11-09 Nov\\_30\\_16\\_JointExBoard\\_Agenda.pdf](#)

**Adjourn**

**Next meeting: December 14, 2016, 9 a.m., Committee Room**

**Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings:  
Joint CAMPO-DCHC MPO Executive Board Meeting  
November 30, 2016 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Redbud Room, The Friday Center  
Chapel Hill, NC**