



Technical Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

9:00 AM

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

1. Roll Call
2. Adjustments to the Agenda
3. Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

4. **Approval of February 22, 2017 TC Meeting Minutes** [17-136](#)

A copy of the February 22, 2017 minutes is enclosed.

TC Action: Approve the minutes of the February 22, 2017 TC meeting.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-136\) TC Minutes 2.22.17.pdf](#)

ACTION ITEMS

5. **Resolution to Request Transfer of FHWA Funds to FTA (5 minutes)** [17-138](#)

Meg Scully, LPA Staff

On behalf of GoDurham, the Lead Planning Agency is requesting the transfer of Federal Highway Administration funds to the Federal Transit Administration for use on transit projects. This resolution supports the transfer for the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro urban area.

TC Action: Recommend the Board approve and sign the resolution to transfer funds.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-138\) Resolution to transfer FHWA funds to FTA 41217.pdf](#)

6. **FY2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #2 (5 minutes)** [17-139](#)

Meg Scully, LPA Staff

Amendment #2 of the FY2017 UPWP proposes to re-allocate, de-obligate, and obligate Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds. The attached memorandum and resolution with tables provide details.

TC Action: Recommend the Board approve the FY2017 UPWP Amendment #2.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-139\) Memorandum FY17 UPWP Amend 2 041217.pdf](#)
[2017-03-29 \(17-139\) 2017 UPWP amend 2 Resolution with table 041217.pdf](#)

7. **Revision to Approved FY2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)** [17-140](#)
(5 minutes)

Meg Scully, LPA Staff

The DCHC MPO is required by federal regulations to prepare an annual UPWP that details and guides the urban area transportation planning activities. The UPWP must identify MPO planning tasks to be performed with the use of federal transportation funds. On February 8, 2017, the Board approved the FY2018 UPWP. At that time, staff described two projects which were to be added to the FY2018 UPWP once LPA staff further defined the scope, cost, and funding partners for each project. The revised FY2018 UPWP, including additional funding for the two projects, along with a memorandum describing the document revisions, is attached. Also attached is a resolution supporting the proposed revision to the FY2018 UPWP.

TC Action: Recommend the Board approve the revisions to the FY2018 UPWP and sign the resolution.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-140\) FY18 UPWP revisions Memo to Board 4.12.17.pdf](#)
[2017-03-29 \(17-140\) FY18 UPWP Approved Revised.pdf](#)
[2017-03-29 \(17-140\) FY18 UPWP Resolutions for Revisions.pdf](#)

8. Progress Report on Updates to County Transit Plans (20 minutes)[17-126](#)**John Tallmadge and Geoff Green, GoTriangle**

Per the Interlocal Implementation Agreements executed by GoTriangle, DCHC MPO, and both Durham and Orange counties, the adopted Bus and Rail Investment Plans for each county are due for detailed review and update. Each agreement established a Staff Working Group that was charged with conducting the reviews and proposing updates.

The two Staff Working Groups have been meeting jointly to review the existing plans and consider changes. Due to the timing of the availability of a more advanced financial model, the Staff Working Groups set a revised deadline to prepare draft updated plans by mid-April with approval from governing bodies in June and July. However, on February 16, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requested additional documentation from the counties, DCHC MPO, and GoTriangle to be delivered by April 30, acknowledging the updated cost estimate and funding strategy for the Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project and to confirm that at least 15 percent of the total project cost (or 30 percent of non-federal funding), will come from dedicated local transit funds. Leadership and staff from the two counties agreed to an accelerated schedule to deliver and approve updated county transit plans in that timeframe.

In response, the Staff Working Group has developed a revised schedule that provides for input from the general public and local elected officials. At its March 8 meeting, the DCHC MPO Policy Board approved releasing drafts of the updated transit plans when ready. The draft plans will be presented at this meeting, and are scheduled to be released to the public for comment on Thursday, March 30 for a 21-day comment period. Public meetings and presentations to local elected officials are scheduled during the public comment period. Final versions incorporating the public comment are planned to be prepared and released for approval by the counties, DCHC MPO, and GoTriangle during the week of April 24.

At the same time, leadership and staff from Orange County and Durham County and GoTriangle have been meeting to discuss amendments to the county's cost-sharing agreement regarding the D-O LRT Project.

TC Action: No action is necessary at this time, this item is for informational purposes only.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-126\) Transit Plan Update Schedule 3-13-17.pdf](#)

9. Proposed Modifications and Deletions for SPOT 5.0 (15 minutes)[17-125](#)**Felix Nwoko and Aaron Cain, LPA Staff**

The MPO is required to submit any revisions, modifications, or deletions to existing projects for consideration in SPOT 5.0 by June 16, 2017. LPA Staff plans to have these submissions approved by the MPO Board at its May 10, 2017 meeting. A final list will be brought to the TC for its approval at its April 26, 2017 meeting.

The attached document shows the proposed modifications and deletions that LPA Staff has received from the member jurisdictions thus far. This is being provided to the TC at this time for discussion.

TC Action: This item is for informational and discussion purposes only, there is no action required at this time.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-125\) Proposed Modifications and Deletions for SPOT 5.0.pdf](#)

10. Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) -- Final (15 minutes)[16-183](#)**Andy Henry, LPA Staff****Julie Bogle, NCDOT**

The MPO Board received an update on the draft CTP at their March meeting that included a summary of proposed changes based on comments that have been received. The Board also requested several changes. Staff reviewed and addressed all the comments received from the public, local staff, local boards and commissions and the MPO Board. The attached document provides details on how the comments were addressed. The document is organized by mode and then by the source of the comments, e.g., local board, staff, public, etc. The last column indicates which jurisdiction in the MPO might be affected by the comment, and comment text in **bold font** indicates a possible major change to the draft CTP.

The final CTP maps that are proposed for adoption can be found at the following links: poster-sized PDFs - <http://bit.ly/DCHCMPO-CTP>; and, online interactive maps -- <http://bit.ly/DCHCMPO-Draft-CTP> (see Adopted tab).

Staff continues to work on the full CTP report which includes project segment tables, problem statements, public comments, and deficiency information among other report sections. The CTP schedule has the Technical Committee (TC) reviewing the final CTP maps and reports today, and the MPO Board adopting them at their April meeting. The TC discussion should include how a thorough review of the report can occur to keep the CTP adoption on schedule for the April MPO Board meeting.

TC Action: Provide comments on final CTP and recommend adoption to the MPO Board.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(16-183\) ChangesToCTP.pdf](#)

11. **Approval of Amendment #9 to the FY2016-25 Transportation Improvement Plan (5 minutes)** [17-141](#)

Aaron Cain, LPA Staff

Amendment #9 to the FY2016-25 Transportation Improvement Plan includes two requests from the City of Durham. The first is changes to increase the funding for EB-4707B, Old Chapel Hill/Old Durham Road Bike Lanes, to address increased cost estimates and the re-purposing of a federal earmark that was previously designated for the Duke Belt Line project. The second is a request by NCDOT, through the City of Durham, to program a budget for the upgrade of the City's signal system (U-5968). Previously, this project had only been programmed for a planning and environmental study.

In addition to the requests from the City of Durham, there are five requested modifications from NCDOT and three deletions. A summary list and full report of the changes are included as attachments along with a resolution to be signed by the MPO Board Chair upon approval by the Board.

TC Action: Recommend the Board approve Amendment #9 to the FY2016-25 Transportation Improvement Plan.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-141\) TIP Amendment #9 Full Report.pdf](#)

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

12. **Report from Staff** [17-107](#)
Felix Nwoko, LPA Staff

TC Action: Receive report from Staff.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-107\) LPA staff report.pdf](#)
[2017-03-29 \(17-107\) dchcmpo annual report 2016 DRAFT Annual Report 2-2017](#)

13. **Report from the Chair** [17-108](#)
Ellen Beckmann, TC Chair

TC Action: Receive report from the TC Chair.

14. **NCDOT Reports** [17-109](#)
Joey Hopkins (David Keilson/Richard Hancock), Division 5 - NCDOT
Mike Mills (Pat Wilson/Ed Lewis), Division 7 - NCDOT
Brandon Jones (Bryan Kluchar), Division 8 - NCDOT
Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Branch - NCDOT
Traffic Operations - NCDOT
TC Action: Receive reports from NCDOT.

Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-109\) NCDOT Progress Report.pdf](#)

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

15. **MPO Performance Measures Survey** [17-137](#)
Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-137\) MPO Performance Measures Survey.pdf](#)
16. **State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Public Information Sessions** [17-142](#)
Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-142\) 2018-2027-STIP-Flier .pdf](#)
17. **RTA Summary of Triangle Roadway Projects** [17-143](#)
Attachments: [2017-03-29 \(17-143\) RTA-summary-Triangle-roadway-projects.pdf](#)

Adjourn

Next meeting: April 26, 9 a.m., Committee Room

Dates of Upcoming Transportation-Related Meetings: None