

DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

BOARD MEETING

September 27, 2023

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Committee met September 27, 2023, at 9 a.m. in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at the Durham City Hall, as well as through the Zoom teleconferencing platform. The following members were in attendance:

Nishith Trivedi (Chair)	Orange County
Ellen Beckmann (Vice Chair)	Durham County
Tina Moon (Member)	Town of Carrboro
Bergen Watterson (Member)	Town of Chapel Hill
Josh Mayo (Member)	Town of Chapel Hill
Caroline Dwyer (Member)	Town of Chapel Hill
Brandon Dawson (Member)	Chatham County
Tom Devlin (Member)	City of Durham
Miles Spann (Member)	City of Durham
Eric Vitale (Member)	City of Durham
Tasha Johnson (Member)	City of Durham
Aaron Cain (Member)	Durham County
Ryan Eldridge (Member)	Durham County
Matt Efird*(Member)	Town of Hillsborough
Matt Day (Member)	Central Pines Regional Council
Julie Bogle (Member)	NCDOT TPD
John Grant (Member)*	NCDOT Traffic Operations
Travis Crayton (Member)	Research Triangle Foundation
Joe Geigle (Member Non-Voting)	FHWA
Darlene Weaver *	Orange County
Meg Scully	GoTriangle
Matt Cecil (Alternate)*	Town of Chapel Hill
Delia Chi*	RDUAA
Bill Judge	City of Durham
Tracy Parrott (Alternate)	NCDOT Division 5
Jeron Monroe*	NCDOT Division 5
Stephen Robinson (Alternate)	NCDOT Division 7
Nishant Shah (Alternate)	NCDOT Division 7
Nick Morrison	NCDOT IMD
Doug Plachcinski*	DCHC MPO
Colleen McGue	DCHC MPO
David Miller	DCHC MPO
Andy Henry*	DCHC MPO
Filmon Fishastion	DCHC MPO
Dolly Hall-Quinlan*	DCHC MPO

Kelly Fomenko
Jean Debnam*
Adam Spillman*

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Quorum count: 18 of 25 voting members
*Attended remotely

Chair Nish Trivedi called the meeting to order at 9:02. a.m.

PRELIMINARIES:

1. Roll Call

The roll call was completed using a sign-in sheet for in-person attendees, and the Zoom participant list for remote attendees.

2. Adjustments to the Agenda

Chair Nish Trivedi asked the Technical Committee if there were any adjustments to the agenda. David Miller requested to add the SPOT P7.0 Bike Ped Submittal List Amendment to the Action Items.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA:

4. Approval of the August 23, 2023, TC Meeting Minutes

Jean Debnam, MPO Staff

5. Administrative Modification to C-5179

Filmon Fishastion, MPO Staff

6. FY2024 UPWP Amendment #2

David Miller, MPO Staff

7. FY2024 UPWP Amendment #3

David Miller, MPO Staff

Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director

A motion was made by Aaron Cain to approve the consent agenda. Travis Crayton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

**8. Federal Funding Policy Amendment #1
Filmon Fishastion, MPO**

Filmon Fishastion gave the highlights of Amendment #1 of the Federal Funding Policy. The highlights included the revisions to the application process with regard to the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) application as well as administrative changes. The highlights were attached to the agenda. The DCHC MPO recommended the TC approve the amendment.

The motion was made by Aaron Cain and seconded by Caroline Dwyer. The motion passed unanimously.

**8a. SPOT P7.0 Bicycle and Pedestrian Submittal List Amendment Request
David Miller, MPO Staff
Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director**

David Miller informed the MPO Technical Committee that after the MPO Board approved the SPOT P7 Submittal list on September 13th, Chapel Hill requested to remove their downtown streetscape project which created a vacancy. DCHC did further review and found that the City of Durham was the only member jurisdiction that did not have all of its previously submitted bicycle and pedestrian projects make the final list and therefore engaged with City staff about identifying a priority project to fill the vacancy. The City of Durham requested to split their approved SR 1959 (Miami Boulevard) project into two sections: one segment maintaining their existing approved spot, and the other segment filling in the vacancy. The DCHC MPO recommended the Technical Committee approve the amendment.

Ellen Beckmann made a motion to recommend that the Board approve the SPOT P 7.0 bicycle and pedestrian list amendment request. Eric Vitale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

9. **Report from Staff**
Doug Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director

No additional report. Doug asked the TC to start working on their project submittal deadlines and studies. The latest round of grant applications deadline is nearing. Mr. Plachcinski asked the TC to coordinate with the DCHC MPO early in the grant application process.

10. **Report from the Technical Committee Chair**
Nishith Trivedi, TC Chair

No additional report.

11. **NCDOT Reports**
Lisa Mathis, NC Board of Transportation

No present- No report

Brandon Jones (Tracy Parrott), Division 5 – NCDOT

Tracy Parrott gave an update on Alston Ave. -Mr. Parrott also requested the planning organizations to respond to the LAP (Locally Administered Projects) survey request sent out by Marta Matthews.

Wright Archer (Nishant Shah), Division 7 – NCDOT

No additional report.

Patrick Norman (Bryan Kluchar), Division 8 – NCDOT

No additional report. Bryan Kluchar announced Patrick Norman has transferred to Turnpike Authority and they should have a replacement soon.

Julie Bogle, Transportation Planning Division – NCDOT

No report.

John Grant, Traffic Operations – NCDOT

No report.

Nick Morrison - NCDOT IMD

Nick Morrison provided an update on the FAST 2.0 Study.

12. Recent News Articles and Updates

The being no other business to discuss, Chair Nish Trivedi adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.