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Oklahoma City Councilmember

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Executive Director
John G. Johnson

AGENDA

ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNMENTS

AREAWIDE PLANNING AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 22, 2010
9:00 a.m.

ACOG Board Room
21 E. Main St.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73104

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([ATTACHMENT II](#))
- III. OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM ([ATTACHMENT III](#))
Action Requested: For information only.
- IV. REGIONAL TRANSIT DIALOGUE – FINAL SUMMARY ([ATTACHMENT IV](#))
Action Requested: None. For review and comment
- V. NEW BUSINESS
- VI. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

**Areawide Planning and Technical Advisory Committee
May 13, 2010
9:00 a.m.**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Areawide Planning and Technical Advisory Committee for the calendar year 2010 was convened on May 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the ACOG offices, 21 E. Main Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, OK. This meeting was held as indicated by notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk, and by notice posted at the ACOG office at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

PRESIDING

Mark Seibold City of Choctaw

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Katen	City of Bethany
Larry Hopper	COTPA
Anais Starr	City of Midwest City
Elizabeth Jones	City of Moore
Randy Entz	Oklahoma City
Erik Brandt	Oklahoma County
Tyler Gammon	Oklahoma County
Ruth Walters	Oklahoma County
Doug Shivers	City of Yukon

STAFF PRESENT

John Sharp, Program Coordinator, TPDS	ACOG
Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, Program Coord., TPDS	ACOG
Daniel Fazekas, Assistant Planner, TPDS	ACOG
Ryan Billings, Assistant Planner, TPDS	ACOG
Ellen Owens, Department Secretary, TPDS	ACOG

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Seibold called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ruth Walters made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2010 meeting. Anais Starr seconded the motion and, with the vote, the motion passed.

III. BIKE TO WORK DAY 2010

Ryan Billings reminded the Committee that Friday, May 21, will be Bike to Work Day which coincides with the national Bike to Work Day. He said that last year's participation was good and he is hoping that this year will be the same. He said there are seven cities participating: Oklahoma City, Norman, Moore, Midwest City, Yukon, Edmond, and Guthrie. He indicated there are posters, stickers and other information to take to the various communities. He suggested visiting the website www.bikedayok.com for more information.

Larry Hopper said that Metro Transit will have free rides for persons who bring their bikes and put them on the buses.

IV. CENSUS 2010 RESPONSE RESULTS

John Sharp commented that the national response to the 2010 Census was about 72% and for the state of Oklahoma it was only 66%. He referred Committee members to Pages IV-2 through IV-4 in the Agenda which showed county and city Census participation rates. He indicated that from May 1st to July Census workers will be visiting homes in the various communities to collect outstanding questionnaires. They will come back three times to the residences that did not respond. He said that the Census Bureau website indicates that it is the law to respond to the Census.

V. HIGHWAY TREE GRANT

Mr. Sharp said this is an annual grant made available through the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) to beautify state highways. The grants range from \$1,800 to \$25,000 with a 25% match from the recipients. He said the applications are due in July. He indicated that ODOT will host a workshop on May 21st.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Sharp said that Wayne Stenis had a question about parking requirements in the communities. He asked if there are too many parking requirements in our developments. Mr. Sharp specifically mentioned 12th St. and Alameda in Norman. He said that on all four corners there is development and parking was set up many years ago. He said that more businesses are coming in and are using less parking. He asked the Committee if they would think about lowering their parking requirements for businesses that have come into their communities. He said this may be a topic for a survey this summer.

Randy Entz said Oklahoma City indicated that they had research what other cities were doing regarding this topic. He said he feels that Oklahoma City is overparked, but the issue is financing for many developers. Developments require a certain amount of parking in order to get financing.

Mr. Seibold commented that the parking itself, when it's based on retail sales, uses parking during a certain time of day, where, when there are no mixed land uses to support that, there is a lot of parking on one place and have to design a maximum across the board.

Ms. Walters said, from a county perspective, we have been discussing loosening the restrictions on hard surface parking, except for ADA. If the parking area is in a rural type of setting, there are not enough people to warrant concrete or asphalt.

Mr. Seibold asked if anyone has required paving around dumpsters. Mr. Gammon said yes , because of health issues. Mr. Seibold also asked if anyone had standards for private parking on a public right of way, such as on-street parking. Mr. Katen said that Bethany does not allow backing out onto a public street.

Mr. Seibold gave a brief update on the RTD Technical/Land Use (TLUS) process. He said that within the last four months, there has been much discussion of the details of how the technical/land use portion of the Regional Transit Dialogue will come together. He said that ultimately they will be preparing a final document that includes recommendations and goals. He indicated that the document could be made available at the next APTAC meeting. He said the final Steering Committee will be held on July 7th.

City of Yukon

Mr. Shivers commented that Yukon currently has many ongoing road projects. He said that the stimulus project for Cornwell Ave. is underway and the Ranchwood Ave. project is ongoing. He said the city had meetings with ODOT recently regarding a Highway 4 project, north of Rt. 66 which will entail replacing a bridge.

Oklahoma County

Mr. Gammon remarked that building permits for the County are still slow.

Ms. Walters remarked that the Crutch Creek project, Phase 3, is ongoing. There have been issues with cost overruns. She said that Phase 4 and 5 are being reviewed by FEMA.

Ms. Walters informed the Committee that the Association of State Flood Plain Managers will have their annual conference next week in Oklahoma City at the Cox Convention Center. She said that 800 to 1,000 attendees are expected.

City of Moore

Ms. Jones indicated their General Bond (GO) street project is still underway. She said that 19th St. is under construction at Telephone Rd. and that N.E. 12th will soon be under construction and they are starting design work on N.W. 5th St. between Sante Fe Ave. and the interstate. She said that Target has closed on the purchase of land on the old Fritz Farm. They have turned in

their building permit application which has been approved and they are waiting for the contractor to pick up the permits. She said there is a possible target opening date for the Target store of March or April of 2011.

City of Midwest City

Ms. Starr said that building permits are slow in Midwest City. Construction on the Jack-in-the-Box has begun and it is anticipated for a June opening. She said the city is working on revising their subdivision regulations, zoning ordinances, and airport zoning ordinances.

City of Bethany

Mr. Katen remarked that the city is updating its auxiliary building ordinance. They are also finishing up their stimulus road project and will start on their stimulus energy project. He said he is now in Public Works as City Engineer, therefore, the City Manager will be hiring a new Community Development Director.

COTPA

Mr. Hopper said that COTPA has opened up a new landing on the river cruiser service at Exchange Ave. He said that there will now be adult and family oriented beverages on the river cruiser vessels. He said that on May 27th there will be a Let's Talk Transit meeting and COTPA will be presenting three possible option maps at City Hall at 11:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. He said COTPA is working with Oklahoma City's Public Works Dept. and Planning Dept. to try to do some sidewalk projects that are transit oriented.

City of Oklahoma City

Mr. Entz said that the city has started the public aspects of its Comprehensive Plan update. He said that Whole Foods has announced its plan to come to Oklahoma City. Project 180 is currently underway.

City of Choctaw

Mr. Seibold remarked that the city is starting on its stimulus project. He said that are a couple of businesses that are choosing to locate in Choctaw. There have been seven building permits this year. He said they are also working on upgrades to their water distribution system.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Starr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Shivers seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 10:00.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 22, 2010

TO: Areawide Planning and Technical Advisory Committee (APTAC)

FROM: John Sharp, Program Coordinator
Transportation Planning & Data Services

SUBJECT: Oklahoma Transportation Enhancement Program

INFORMATION:

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) Special Projects Branch recently announced a call for projects for the 11th Biennial Oklahoma Transportation Enhancement Program. This competitive program provides an 80-percent federal match for projects demonstrating a relationship to the intermodal transportation system. Eligible transportation enhancement projects include:

- A. Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles.
- B. Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- C. Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites (**including historic battlefields**).*
- D. Scenic or historic highway programs (including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities).
- E. Landscaping and other scenic beautification.
- F. Historic preservation.
- G. Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities (including historic railroad facilities and canals).
- H. Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion and use **of the corridors** for pedestrian or bicycle trails).
- I. **Inventory**, control, and removal of outdoor advertising.

* Items in bold are those added by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

- J. Archaeological planning and research.
 - a. Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff, or
 - b. to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity.
- K. Establishment of transportation museums.

Please note that projects within the OCARTS metropolitan planning area must include a resolution of support from ACOG. Project sponsors should provide ACOG with a letter describing their proposed project (including the project description, location, and estimated federal and local costs) so staff can prepare a resolution, which will be presented to the ITTC and ITPC during their regular meetings.

ODOT's Special Projects Branch will begin accepting applications on June 14, 2010. Applications must be submitted for preliminary review by October 1, 2010. After receipt of comments from the preliminary review, the final application is due to ODOT no later than January 3, 2011. In spring 2011, the Transportation Enhancement Advisory Committee (TEAC) will evaluate each application and forward its recommendations to the Oklahoma Transportation Commission for final selection.

Application packets will be available after June 14 for download on ODOT's website at the following link: http://www.okladot.state.ok.us/projmgmt/enhance_prog/index.htm. Hard copies can be requested by writing ODOT's Special Projects Branch at 200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. For any additional questions or comments, please contact the Special Projects Branch at 521-2454.

ACOG will host a **Transportation Enhancement Workshop** on **Friday July 30 at 1:30 pm**. ODOT staff will be here to provide background details concerning the program and to answer questions in regards to the scope of projects.

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SUBJECT: Regional Transit Dialogue – Final Summary

INFORMATION:

The last Regional Transit Dialogue Steering Committee meeting was held on July 7, 2010. After 15 months of local discussion and analysis, final reports from the subcommittees were given at the Steering Committee meeting. At the July APTAC meeting, the committee will hear from the Governance/Finance Subcommittee and the Technical/Land Use Subcommittee on their recommendations.

After the presentations, Mark Seibold will lead a discussion of how APTAC can now take the ideas that were recommended by the Technical/Land Use Subcommittee and formulate ways in which they can be implemented in the ACOG communities to lay the ground work for future regional transit developments.

ACTION REQUESTED:

None. For review and comment.