

MINUTES
GPATS POLICY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
November 13, 2017
Suite 400 – County Square
10:08 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Butch Kirven, Representative Burns, Representative Smith, Senator Gambrell, Councilor Norris, Councilor Payne, Councilor Roberts, Council Chair Costner, Councilor Hudson, Commissioner Davis, Commissioner Willard, Mayor Durham, Mayor Cook, Mayor White, Addy Matney and Keith Brockington

OTHERS PRESENT: P. Gucker, B. Hansley, A. Ikein, H. Hahn. D. Montgomery, H. Gamble, J. Wortkotter, M. Forman, S. Limbaker, L. Estep, K. McCormick, T. Elrod, D. Cooper, J. Horton D. Dryhaug, V. Holmes, C. Nelson, J. Hecktor, J. Horton, C. Link, S. Amell-Jackson, M. Sullivan, M. Holden, J. Chastain, J. Whitehurst and A. Fluitt

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME

Chairman Kirven called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

At this time, Chairman Kirven allowed Public Comment, as a quorum was not met.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following addressed the Committee:

Nancy Blough addressed the Committee regarding traffic issues.
Doug Wright addressed the Committee

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 22, 2017 COMMITTEE MEETING

MOTION: By Councilor Payne, seconded by Commissioner Willard to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2017 Committee meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

SCDOT PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

Tommy Elrod addressed the Committee members with a brief update of projects as were included in the agenda packet. He stated the SC153 Extension in Easley will have bids opening tomorrow. Construction should begin in February or March 2018 with completion the fall of 2020. He stated the SC14 project at Bethel Road and Five Forks Road will also have bids opening tomorrow with construction beginning in the fall of 2018 and completion in late 2019. Mr. Elrod

stated there was a public information meeting on the Woodruff Road parallel and there were about 115 people in attendance. The project is continuing on through the environmental phase.

SCDOT “REBUILDING OUR ROADS” PRESENTATION

SCDOT Secretary of Transportation, Christy Hall gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Committee on the 10 year plan to address the statewide maintenance and safety needs. She noted South Carolina was number 1 in fatality rates, 750 bridges were structurally deficient, 80% of the state’s pavement was in need of repair and they were behind in widening projects. Ms. Hall went over the funding the SCDOT would be getting and outlined the future goals. She projected that within ten years she is expecting to have 1,000 miles of rural roads upgraded with safety features, progress to be made in paving to reverse the 30 years of neglect, 140 miles of interstate will be improved along with 465 new bridges. Ms. Hall went over new planning goals for DOT’s, MPO’s, and COG’s.

HORIZON 2040 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN ADOPTION

Allison Fluitt with Kimley-Horn and Associates addressed the Committee on final steps taken to complete the Long-Range Transportation Plan. She once again noted the public participation which was the best she had ever been involved with. She touched on the various steps that had been taken over the past two years to come to the final plan.

MOTION: By Commissioner Willard, seconded by Mayor White to adopt the Horizon2040 Long-Range Transportation Plan. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

At this time the Chairman moved item number 9 forward

GPATS 2018-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT AC#1

Keith Brockington addressed the Committee members with an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program. He stated per the recommendations of the Transit Coordinating Committee, an addition of two Section 5310 Projects:

- Senior Solutions: \$285,000.00
- Turning Point of South Carolina: \$200,396.00

Addition of GTA/Greenlink Low/No Grant (Section 5339©) \$1.4 million

Additional State Mass Transit Funding (SMTF) totaling \$369,088.00, to be divided by Formula to GTA and CAT:

- GTA: \$262,111.14
- CZT: \$106,976.86

MOTION: By Commissioner Willard, seconded by Councilor Norris to approve the GPATS 2018-2023 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment AC#1. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Item number 8 was taken up next

COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT – HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Keith Brockington addressed the Committee members regarding a requirement for administering Section 5310 Funding. GPATS is required to have a Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan in place. The Plan sets forth the policies and procedures by which GPATS will solicit, approve, and manage FTA Section 5310 projects as funding is available. He stated Section 5310 Funds are used for Elderly and Disabled Transit Services, as well as Job Access and Reverse Commuting. Mr. Brockington stated a digital copy was provided to the Committee members.

MOTION: By Mr. Payne, seconded by Mr. Roberts to approve the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Item number 7 was taken up

GPATS Title VI Plan – 2017 Update

Keith Brockington addressed the Committee members with a request from the Federal Transit Administration. He stated at the Certification Review in July 2017, the Federal Transit Administration requested the Title VI Plan (which determines the policies and strategies by which GPATS shall engage minorities, low-income, and disadvantaged segments of the population) be updated to account for the changes made on the Federal level of a procedural and procurement nature. The changes required an amendment to the document. Mr. Brockington stated the document was included digitally for the Committees review.

MOTION: By Commissioner Davis, seconded by Ms. Matney to approve the Update to the GPATS Title VI Plan. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

GPATS 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

Chairman Kirven noted the meeting schedule for 2018 each received in their packets. He stated the dates if necessary could be changed in the future if needed.

MOTION: By Councilor Norris, seconded by Representative Burns to accept the GPATS 2018 meeting schedule. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Without objection Chairman Kirven adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

Submitted by Recording Secretary