

Houma – Thibodaux
Metropolitan Planning Organization (HTMPO)

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M E E T I N G M I N U T E S

HTMPO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: June 14th, 2018

Meeting Location: SCPDC's Pelican Room, Houma, LA.

In Attendance:

Committee:	Present: Terry Arabie, LPG Pat Matherne, LPG Thad Angelloz, City of Thibodaux Archie Chaisson, City of Thibodaux Chris Pulaski, TPCG Joan Schexnayder, TPCG Dan Broussard, LADOTD Gary Gisclair, LADOTD Dawn Sholmire, LADOTD
Staff:	Josh Manning, SCPDC Cassie Parker, SCPDC Stephanie Bruning, SCPDC Emma Bergeron, SCPDC
Others in Attendance:	Karla Courtade, LADOTD Dontrell Jones, LADOTD Laura Riggs, LADOTD Christopher Rogers, LADOTD Parker Rogers, LADOTD Tracey Wang, LADOTD Doug Foreman, LPSO Frank Besson, LSP-C John Lombardo, Congressman Graves Office

J. Manning called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Agenda Item # 1

Roll Call and Introductions

Introductions took place.

Agenda Item # 2

Adoption of March 8th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item 2, Adoption of March 8th, 2018 Meeting Minutes were tabled due to being missing out of the meeting packets. C. Parker exited meeting to pack copies for distribution.

Agenda Item # 3

LA DOTD Project Update

C. Rogers gave the LA DOTD Project Update.

Terrebonne Parish

- LA 660, Coteau Road, overlay was close to completion, awaiting striping which should soon be completed.
- Lafayette Street overlay was complete.
- LA 24 right turn lane onto MLK Blvd was complete.
- LA 660 Bridge Replacement at the intersection of LA 24 shall begin in August.
- US 90 Median Cable Barrier Project throughout Terrebonne and Lafourche Parishes went out for bid on June 13th.
- LA 24 Sidewalks Project, from HLB High School to the other side of US 90, went out for bid on June 13th.
- LA 182 right turn lanes at LA 660 and LA316 will go out for bid on August 8th.

Lafourche Parish

- LA 308 Safety overlay in the St. Charles Community was complete.
- LA 654, Gheens Road, overlay was complete.
- Lockport streets overlay was complete.
- LA 308 emergency bridge replacement in Raceland was complete and opened to traffic.
- Grand Isle Bridge Project was approximately 50% completed. The two bridges closest to Grand Isle is temporarily opened to 2-way traffic. The third bridge which is in Lafourche Parish should be open to 2-way traffic within a month or so.
- The LA 1 Leeville Bridge Phase 2E, the widening project, set to begin in July.
- LA 307 overlay in Kramer from LA 20 to LA 182 will begin in June.
- LA 20 overlay from Percy Brown Road to Jackson Street went out for bid on June 13th.
- Choctaw Road Striping Project will go out for bid on July 11th.

Agenda Item # 4

Local Project Updates

T. Arabie gave an update on Local Projects within Lafourche Parish.

Lafourche Parish

- Opened for bid was a Resurfacing Project in the southern portion of the Parish.

A. Chaisson gave an update on Local Projects with the City of Thibodaux.

City of Thibodaux

- Completed resurfacing East 7th and other streets within the City.

J. Schexnayder gave an update on Local Projects within Terrebonne Parish.

Terrebonne Parish

- Mayfield #1 Bridge replacement was complete.
- Country Drive Widening Phase A was close to completion.
- Hollywood Extension (Valhi to Bayou Black) and Falgout Canal Road Rehab was under construction.
- LA 24 Sidewalks bids were received. Low Apparent bidder was Byron E. Talbot.
- West Park Sidewalks letting date has been set for August 8th, 2018.
- Eastside Sidewalks Phase 2: 95% final plans have been sent to DOTD.
- Theriot Bridge was in design.

- Currently working on preliminary plans for Civic Center Sidewalks and LA 24 Sidewalk Rehab.
- The Entity/State Agreement has been signed for the Civic Center Roundabout, waiting Stage 0.
- Williams Multi-Use Path was in the environmental approval process.
- Prospect Sidewalks are hold. Right-of-way is required.

Agenda Item # 2 REVISITED

Adoption of March 8th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

C. Parker reentered the meeting. She distributed copies of the March 8th, 2018 TAC Meeting Minutes. After reviewing minutes, ***it was motioned by J. Schexnayder to approve the minutes from the March 8th, 2018 TAC meeting. A. Chaisson seconded. There being no objections, motion carried.***

Agenda Item #5

Amtrak Working Group Update

J. Manning relayed that he and P. Gordon met with Dean Goodell of DOTD to discuss his work in the state. He's currently studying all Amtrak Stations in Louisiana and making ADA recommendations. It has been decided to hold the HT-MPO Stage 0 Feasibility Study until DOTD's study is complete. Even though the HT-MPO study goes a bit further than DOTD's, he and P. Gordon feel it is important to see the results of DOTD's study first and then incorporate those findings into the HT-MPO's final report, rather than duplicating efforts.

Agenda Item # 6

PM2 & PM3

a. Pavement & Bridge Conditions

b. Truck Travel Time Reliability Index/Level of Travel Time Reliability

J. Manning explained DOTD has adopted Performance Targets for Pavement and Bridge Conditions and Travel Time Reliability. Included in the meeting packet was a letter from DOTD in regards to the PM2 & PM3 Targets. These measures apply only to "locally-owned" NHS routes. For the HT-MPO this only applies to Canal Blvd and the Canal Blvd Bridge in Thibodaux. The HT-MPO must either adopt DOTD's measures or develop their own. A meeting was held with the City of Thibodaux, where as they indicated they are in agreement with adopting DOTD's measures. ***It was motioned by D. Broussard to recommend to the HT-MPO Policy Committee to adopt the PM2 and PM3. T. Angelloz seconded. There being no objections, motion carried.***

Agenda Item # 7

2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program

a. Amend to ADD \$100,000 for Terrebonne Parish Comprehensive Plan Update: Transportation Element and Remove \$250,000 for Terrebonne Access Management Plan in 2015 Transportation Improvement Plan

J. Manning stated Terrebonne Parish has requested to add \$100,000 for Terrebonne Parish Comprehensive Plan Update on their Transportation Element. Also requested was the removal of \$250,000 for Terrebonne Access Management Plan which was included within the 2015 TIP.

Terrebonne Parish will then add the Access Management Plan as an element within their Comprehensive Plan Update. ***It was motioned by J. Schexnadyer to recommend to the HT-MPO Policy Committee to adopt the proposed 2019-2022 TIP amendment of adding \$100,000 for Terrebonne Parish Comprehensive Plan Update: Transportation Element and Remove \$250,000 for Terrebonne Access Management Plan in 2015 TIP. A. Chaisson seconded. There being no objections, motion carried.***

J. Manning asked for a motion to amend the agenda for discussion to take place on additional TIP amendments. ***It was motioned by A. Chaisson to amend the agenda to discussion additional TIP amendments. G. Gisclair seconded. There being no objections, motion carried.***

Committee Members received an additional handout which listed proposed 2019-2022 TIP Amendments. The HT-MPO Policy Committee adopted the TIP at their last meeting held. Since then the HT-MPO has received some suggested changes from DOTD. It was requested by DOTD for an increase to some line items as stated on the handout. J. Manning reviewed the suggested amendments. ***It was motioned by T. Arabia to recommend to the HT-MPO Policy amendment of the 2018-2022 TIP to reflect the requested changes by DOTD. C. Rogers seconded. There being no objections, motion carried.***

Agenda Item # 8

Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update – May 2020

J. Manning stated a scope of the MTP update has been sent to DOTD. The next update is due May 2020. A consultant may be acquired to assist with certain elements of the plan. The TAC will serve as the Study Team/Steering Committee. More information to come as time progresses.

Agenda Item #9

Lafourche Transportation Plan Update

J. Manning relayed this plan was adopted by the Lafourche Planning Commission last month. It is on the agenda for adoption by the Lafourche Council at their meeting to be held on July 24th. This plan is not just a list of projects but includes policies as well.

Agenda Item # 10

Next Meeting Date: September 13th, 2018

Adjournment

J. Schexnadyer motioned to adjourn the meeting. A. Chaisson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.