

# Region 2 Planning Commission



## Jackson Area Comprehensive Transportation Study

### MINUTES

#### JACTS POLICY COMMITTEE

Jackson County Tower Building  
120 W. Michigan Avenue – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Jackson, Michigan

**Thursday, September 13, 2018**

**Members Present:** David Herlein, Spring Arbor Township  
Phil Moilanen, Jackson Area Transportation Authority  
Jon Dowling, JACTS Technical Advisory Committee  
Pete Jancek, Vice-Chair, Blackman Charter Township  
Eric Mullen, MDOT  
Bob Welsh, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Mike Trudell, Summit Township  
Judy Southworth (Alt.), Leoni Township  
Mike Overton, Jackson County Department of Transportation  
Dan Wymer, Napoleon Township  
Steve Shotwell, Chair, Jackson County Board of Commissioners  
Keith Acker, Sandstone Charter Township

**Members Absent:** Derek Dobies, Mayor, City of Jackson  
Patrick Burtch, City of Jackson  
John Feldvary, Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field

**Others Present:** Tanya DeOliveira, Region 2 Planning Commission  
Michael Brown, Jackson Area Transportation Authority  
Mike Davis, Jr., MDOT – University Region  
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – Jackson TSC  
John Green, City of Jackson  
Angela Kline, JCDOT

#### ITEM 1      CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shotwell called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM.

#### ITEM 2      PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

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**ITEM 3**                    **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING OF JULY 12, 2018 AND RECEIVE THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY**  
**COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2018**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jancek, and supported by Mr. Wymer, to approve the Policy Committee meeting minutes of July 12, 2018 and receive the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of July 10, 2018 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**ITEM 4**                    **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson, Jackson County Department of Transportation (JCDOT), Jackson Area Transportation Authority (JATA), and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), and Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field. The City of Jackson reported that roundabout at Fourth Street should be finished by the spring. JATA reported that bus radio replacements will happen later this year, along with a project for utility work. JCDOT stated that the King Road letting prices were 12% over the engineer estimate, and that the bids have been rejected. The Michigan Avenue Bridge project has been through a second round of reviews with Amtrak. MDOT reported that work on I-94 has stopped due to the labor dispute. The Lakelands Trail letting has been moved to October. A report was given on the airport that they are moving ahead with the 5-year plan to improve the taxiway and apron in front of the restaurant.

**ITEM 5**                    **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JACTS FY 2017 – 2020**  
**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

Ms. Kline reported that the Jackson County Department of was requesting the following amendment to the JACTS FY 2017 – 2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	Project Name	Limits	Project Description	Federal Cost	Local Cost	Total
2019	Moon Lake Road Bridge	Bridge over the Dollar Lake Channel	Bridge Replacement	\$1,032,840	\$335,098	\$1,367,938

A motion was made by Mr. Moilanen, supported by Vice-Chair Jancek, to approve the proposed JCDOT amendment as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Davis reported that MDOT was requesting the following amendments to the JACTS FY 2017 – 2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	Project Name	Limits	Project Description	Federal Cost	Fed Fund Source	State Cost	Region 2 Total	Total Project Cost
2019	JN 120277 M-60	Chapel Rd to east of Renfrew Dr	Resurfacing / Widening w/ CLTL	\$8,594,250	HSIP	\$1,905,750	n/a	\$10,750,000
2019	JN 203028 PE Region wide Longitudinal Pavement Markings	Region wide	Application of longitudinal pavement markings	\$750	HSIP	\$83	\$833	\$2,500 (total phase)

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2019	JN 203028 CON Region wide Longitudinal Pavement Markings	Region wide	Application of longitudinal pavement markings	\$805,500	HSIP	\$89,500	\$895,00	\$2,685,000 (total phase)
2019	JN 203029 PE Regionwide Special Pavement Markings	Region wide	Application of special pavement markings	\$1,500	HSIP	\$167	\$1,667	\$5,000 (total phase)
2019	JN 203029 CON Regionwide Special Pavement Markings	Region wide	Application of special pavement markings	\$138,000	HSIP	\$15,333	\$153,333	\$460,000 (total phase)
2019	JN 203151 Regionwide Pavement Markings	Region wide	Application of special pavement markings	\$4,200	HSIP	\$467	\$4,667	\$14,000 (total phase)
2020	JN 204084 I-94 BL	Various locations	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$230,817	ST	\$51,183	n/a	\$282,000
2020	JN 202571 M-49	M-49, M- 124 & M- 50	Non-freeway sign replacement	\$474,850	ST	n/a	n/a	\$474,850

A motion was made by Mr. Herlein, supported by Mr. Trudell, to approve the proposed MDOT amendments as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 6      FY 2019 MEETING AND SUBMITTAL DEADLINE SCHEDULES

Ms. DeOliveira asked the Committee to re-examine the meeting and submittal schedule, including reviewing the enclose worksheet. Members from the City are unable to attend based on the new schedule, and there is a question if the Act 51 Agencies can meet the submittal deadlines for the meetings. The Region 2 Planning Commission staff need to give a 30-day public notice from the date of the Region 2 Planning Commission meeting to meeting federal requirements for public comment. Act 51 Agencies need to get submittals of project changes to staff ahead of this time to get the public meeting notice out to the local newspaper. Ideas considered included moving the Policy meeting to a different time of day, moving the Technical Committee meeting the week before the Policy meeting, and moving the Region 2 Planning Commission meeting.

A motion was made to Region 2 Planning Commission Staff to submit a one cycle amendment timeline to review prior to the October meeting to consider what the FY 2019 meeting and submittal deadline dates will be by Chair Shotwell, supported by Trudell. The motion carried unanimously.

## ITEM 7      JOBNET UPDATE

Mr. Davis shared that there was a report from MDOT in the meeting packet with JobNet updates. These items have been discussed over the last several months at the committee meetings.

Ms. DeOliveira also noted that the City, JATA, JCDOT, and MDOT have been notified informally to put together a list of projects for the development of the new TIP.

## ITEM 8      STATUS UPDATE FOR THE JOINT CITY / COUNTY NON-MOTORIZED PLAN

Ms. DeOliveira noted that a consultant had not yet been selected.

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### ITEM 9      COLLECTION OF CITY/COUNTY PASER RATING/COLLECTION OF LOCAL ROAD PASER DATA

Ms. DeOliveira noted that all Act 51 Agencies have been contacted, and PASER ratings are scheduled for this fall.

### ITEM 10      OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Kline asked if committee members would like to be part of a gateway treatment review process on the I-94 corridor. Mr. Wallace noted that review of name treatments of bridges along the I-94 corridor has come into question, but federal guidance is needed before any progress can be made. The committee members informally agreed that county and township bridge name treatments might be better discussed at other, non-JACTS meetings.

Mr. Wallace was asked about doing a noise analysis along I-94. He said that the current project does not meet the criteria to put up a wall, but future projects may come to a different conclusion. Criteria needs to be met in order for a wall to be installed.

Mr. Wallace shared that in the third quarter of the year the MDOT Weigh Station in Grass Lake has led the state in gathering fines.

### ITEM 11      PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

### ITEM 12      ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Shotwell adjourned the meeting at 9:06 am.

Tanya DeOliveira, AICP  
Principal Transportation Planner