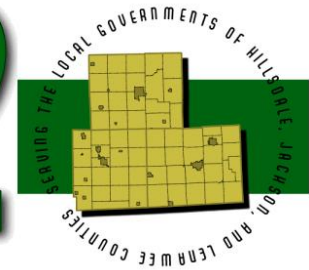


Region 2 Planning Commission



Jackson Area Comprehensive Transportation Study

MINUTES

JACTS POLICY COMMITTEE

Teleconference Meeting

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Members Present: Keith Acker, Sandstone Township
Mike Davis (Alt.), MDOT
John Feldvary, Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field
David Herlein, Spring Arbor Township
Pete Jancek, Vice-Chair, Blackman Charter Township
Angela Kline, JACTS Technical Advisory Committee
Mark Kloha (Alt.), MDOT – Lansing
Phil Moilanen, Jackson Area Transportation Authority
Mike Overton, Jackson County Department of Transportation
Laura Schlecte, City of Jackson
Steve Shotwell, Chair, Jackson County Board of Commissioners
Mike Trudell, Summit Township
Bob Welsh, Region 2 Planning Commission

Members Absent: Howard Linnabary, Leoni Township
Jonathan Greene, City of Jackson
Dan Wymer, Napoleon Township

Others Present: Joe Bentschneider, JCDOT
Christopher Bolt, Jackson County Department of Transportation
Tanya DeOliveira, Region 2 Planning Commission
Jon Dowling, City of Jackson
Steve Duke, Region 2 Planning Commission
Bret Taylor, Jackson County Department of Transportation
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – TSC
Juan Zapata, Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Shotwell called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM.

ITEM 2 PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

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ITEM 3 **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 20, 2020 AND RECEIVE THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2020**

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Jancek, supported by Ms. Schlecte, to approve the Policy Committee meeting minutes of February 20, 2020 and receive the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of February 19, 2020 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson, the Jackson Area Transportation Authority, Jackson County Department of Transportation, the Michigan Department of Transportation and Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field. The following project details were provided:

- City of Jackson – The Greenwood/Jackson traffic signal is complete. The change order for the project has been sent to MDOT to have concrete installed around the traffic circle instead of asphalt to reduce long-term wear on the road. The Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard project is scheduled to be let on May 1. The FY2021 Morrell Street and Steward Street projects contracts with Hubble Roth Clark were approved by City Council.
- Jackson Area Transportation Authority – The new Gilig buses have arrived, and are being prepared to be put in use. They continue to pursue funding to replace other old buses.
- Jackson County Department of Transportation – The Norvell Road project is tentatively expected to be completed in early June. The McDevitt Road Phase 1 project bids have been received, and work is scheduled to begin soon. The Preventative Maintenance 2019 project will start on April 13. Paving will occur in the northwest quadrant of the county. Surveying for the Michigan Avenue Bridge project in Parma will start in mid-April, and a detour will be set up to go around the project. King Road project will be in the June 5th letting.
- Michigan Department of Transportation – The public meeting that was scheduled for April will be rescheduled as a virtual meeting. Direct mailings will be sent to households that live near the project corridor. More details will follow. The contractor for the M-60 over I-94 project has decided to shut down for two weeks in regards to the COVID-19 pandemic. MDOT is maintaining communication with the contractor on this matter.
- Jackson County Airport-Reynolds Field – Flight activity is down due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Colleges and university who use the airport for training have stopped. The airport remains open per FAA guidelines with measures in place to protect employees. The terminal apron reconstruction project pre-construction meeting is planned for May, with a project start day of May 20. The Airport Board is meeting via teleconference calls.

ITEM 5 **APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE JACTS FY 2020-2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Mr. Davis reported that MDOT was requesting the following amendment to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

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FY	Job number	Phase	Project Name	Limits	Length	Project Description	Funds & Source	Amendment Type
2021	208868	CON	US-127N	US-127 NB & SB over Conrail & M-50	0	Deck Replacement	\$8,742,586 NH \$1,938,644 State \$10,681,230 Total	Phase Budget & Scope

Mr. Davis reported that MDOT was providing information on the following administrative modification:

FY	Job number	Phase	Project Name	Limits	Length	Project Description	Funds & Source	Reason
2020	209934	CON	Ganson Street	Ganson Street over the Grand River	0	Bridge Replacement	\$1,053,768 HIPB \$263,442 State \$1,317,210 Total	Removed local match

Ms. Kline reported that JCDOT was requesting the following amendments to the JACTS FY 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	Job Number	Project Name	Limits	Project Description	Funding	Action
2020	TBD	South Union Street	W Michigan Ave to Village Limits	Spot crush and shape with HMA resurface	\$110,859 EDD \$160,000 STP \$32,000 Local	Add
2020	206633	N Elm Ave	Various Roads	One course asphalt overlay	\$110,859 EDD – change to \$0 \$160,000 STP – change to \$0	Abandon

The motion was made by Mr. Feldvary, supported by Vice-Chair Jancek, to approve the proposed MDOT and JCDOT amendments to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6 CITY OF JACKSON / JACKSON COUNTY NON-MOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE

Ms. DeOliveira reported that the Project Steering Committee met to review the plan draft document in early March. The meeting was well attended, including stakeholders from the City and County. The meeting attendees provided the consultants meaningful feedback on the plan that required the document to be further refined. The following week, the City of Jackson staff and City Council met to discuss city-specific projects in more detail. Once the consultants have included the revisions and content that was generated from the March meetings, the final draft plan will be ready for public review. The public and other stakeholders will have an opportunity to review and provide comments on the project. Notification that the public comment period has opened will follow from Ms. DeOliveira via email. The opportunity for public input will also be posted on the Region 2 Planning Commission website and sent to local media and news outlets.

ITEM 7 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Duke asked the committee if they were interested in attending a future Policy meeting using the Zoom video-conference platform. Committee members voiced their interest.

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ITEM 8 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 9 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Shotwell adjourned the meeting at 11:15 AM.

Tanya DeOliveira
Transportation Planner