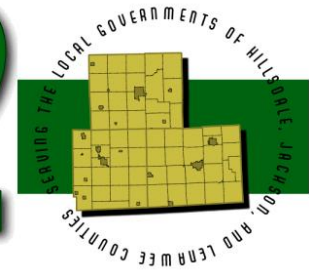


Region 2 Planning Commission



Jackson Area Comprehensive Transportation Study

MINUTES

JACTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Teleconference Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Members Present: Chad Cumberworth (Alt.), Jackson Area Transportation Authority
Mike Davis (Alt.), MDOT
Jon Dowling, Vice-Chair, City of Jackson – Engineering
Steve Duke, Region 2 Planning Commission
Angie Kline, Chair, Jackson County Dept. of Transportation
Mark Kloha, MDOT – Lansing
Mike Rand, Jackson County Dept. of Transportation
Bret Taylor, Jackson County Dept. of Transportation

Members Absent: Jonathan Greene, City of Jackson
Andy Pickard, FHWA (Ex-officio)
Jack Ripstra, Blackman Charter Township
Troy White, City of Jackson – Engineering
Juan Zapata, Jackson County Airport – Reynolds Field

Others Present: Joe Bentschneider, Jackson County Dept. of Transportation
Tanya DeOliveira, Region 2 Planning Commission
Maria Habba, MDOT - OPT
Sam Korson, MDOT – Lansing
Jill Liogghio, Region 2 Planning Commission
Laura Schlecte, City of Jackson City Council
Kelby Wallace, MDOT – Jackson TSC

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kline called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

ITEM 2 PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

ITEM 3 APPROVE MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 17, 2020 AND RECEIVE THE POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2020

A motion was made by Mr. Rand, supported by Mr. Kloha, to approve the Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes of June 17, 2020, and receive the Policy Committee meeting minutes of June 18, 2020 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 4 **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

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

- City of Jackson – The Greenwood Avenue/Jackson Street project has been completed. The MLK Boulevard project, should be completed by the end of September.
- Jackson Area Transportation Authority – The radios in the busses have been successfully replaced. The security cameras are not being upgraded at this time, but will be by the second quarter of 2021.
- Jackson County Department of Transportation – A single deck pour is being planned for Friday, September 18 for the Michigan Avenue Bridge project. The McDevitt Phase 1 project is open through the Draper Road intersection. Two road safety audits, originally scheduled for 2021, are being considered to be moved to 2020 in the TIP. If they don't happen in 2020, then they will happen in 2021 as originally planned.
- Michigan Department of Transportation – The M-60 bridge project should be completed by the end of the 2020 construction season. The sidewalk and curb work has been completed for the M-50 project. The US-12 to Liberty Road project resurfacing project has gone well.

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

Vice-Chair Dowling reported that City of Jackson was requesting the following amendments to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	Street	Description	Length	Funding	Action
2021	Wisner St Traffic Signals	Replace signals with mast arms on Wisner St., Ganson St., North St., and Argyle St.	N/A	Fed-\$600,000 (HSIP) City-\$680,419	Add
2021	Elmdale Trail: Hickory Ave to MLK Trail	Construct 10 ft wide concrete nonmotorized path along Elmdale Dr. with arch truss bridge	0.998	Fed - \$400,000 (SRTS) City - \$442,655	Add
2022	E. High St. over the Grand River	Bridge Rehab	0	Fed - \$1,457,000 State - \$273,000 City - \$91,000	Add

Vice-Chair Dowling reported that City of Jackson was requesting the following administrative modifications to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	JN	Agency	Project Name	Description/Limit	Length	Funding	Action
2021	208108	City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	0	Fed - \$28,800 State - \$5,400 City - \$1,800	Change project name to North St. Bridge; Change limits to over the Grand River
2021	208108	City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	0	Fed - \$19,200 State - \$3,600 City - \$1,200	Change project name to Mechanic St. Bridge; Change limits to over the Grand River
2021	208108	City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	0	Fed - \$16,800 State - \$3,150 City - \$1,050	Change project name to Denton Rd. Bridge; Change limits to Sparks Park pond.
2021	208108	City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	Citywide – City of Jackson	0	Fed - \$36,000 State - \$6,750 City - \$2,250	Change project name to Trail St. Bridge; Change limits to over the Grand River
2023	207186	Jackson County	Brown Street	Brown Street	Morrell St to Michigan Ave	Fed - \$666,400 Local - \$166,600	Change Agency to City of Jackson

Chair Kline reported that Jackson County was requesting the following amendments to the JACTS FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):

FY	JN	Project Name	Limits	Description	Funding	Action
2021	210386	Edgeline pavement marking	270.7 miles all local roads in Columbia, Liberty, Napoleon, Norvell, Concord, Hanover, Parma, Pulaski, Sandstone Townships	Edge line pavement marking	Fed - \$198,586.10 (HSIP) Local - \$22,065.12 Total - \$220,651.20	Add
2021	210343	South Dearing Rd & McCain Rd	S Dearing Rd at McCain Rd	Mini roundabout	Fed - \$294,204.60 (HRRR) Local - \$32,689.40 Total - \$326,894	Add
2022	209883	South Jackson Rd Bridge Replacement	South Jackson Rd over Grand River	Bridge Replacement	Fed - \$942,400 (HRRR) Local - \$49,600 Total - \$992,000	Add
2022	210635	Iron Belle Trail – Mike Levine Lakelands Trail extension	West Monroe St in the City of Jackson to the intersection of Cooper St. and Parnell Rd	Share-Use Path	\$1,884,711 (TAP) Local - \$1,400,000 Total - \$3,284,711	Add

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

FY	Job number	Phase	Name	Limits	Length	Description	Funds & Source	Amendment Type
2022	207337	PE	Regionwide	All of Region 2 MPO	1.608	Longitudinal pavement marking application on trunklines in University Region	Fed-\$2,592 (HSIP) State-\$288 Total-\$20,000	Phase Budget Increase over 25%
2022	207338	PE	Regionwide	All of Region 2 MPO	1.659	Special pavement marking application on trunklines in University Region	Fed-\$2,592 (HSIP) State-\$288 Total-\$20,000	Phase Budget Increase over 25%
2023	207373	PE	Regionwide	All of Region 2 MPO	1.471	Special pavement marking application on trunklines in University Region	Fed-\$2,592 (HSIP) State-\$288 Total-\$20,000	Phase Budget Increase over 25%
2021	211152	CON	Regionwide	All routes in Region 2 MPO boundary	2.276	FY2021 Durable Pavement Marking Application	Fed-\$51,840 (HSIP) State-\$5,760 Total-\$400,000	Phase Add
2023	207372	PE	Regionwide	All of Region 2 MPO	1.628	Longitudinal pavement marking application on trunklines in University Region	Fed-\$2,592 (HSIP) State-\$288 Total-\$20,000	Phase Budget Increase over 25%
2021	211152	PE	Regionwide	All routes in Region 2 MPO boundary	2.276	FY2021 Durable Pavement Marking Application	Fed-\$648 (HSIP) State-\$72 Total- \$5,000	Phase Add

A motion was made by Mr. Rand, supported by Mr. Kloha, to approve the proposed City of Jackson, Jackson County, and MDOT amendments and administrative modifications as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 6 **MICHIGAN'S STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN**

Mr. Davis provided an overview of the MDOT's Strategic Highway Safety Plan. The safety plan is a collaborative effort among state agencies to address highway safety. The goal of the plan is to reduce fatalities and serious injury crashes and is part of an on-going safety planning effort that began almost 20 years ago. There are a number of strategies identified in the plan to help address and improve traffic safety, such as addressing high-risk behaviors, helping at-risk road users, enhancing traffic safety engineering infrastructure, and improving safety system administration. The Department of Education, Aging and Adult Services Agency, the Department of Transportation, Office of Highway Safety Planning and others collaborate to update the plan every two years. The more than \$10 million in TIP safety projects that have been identified across the state through 2023 are a way to help realize the goals of reducing fatalities and crashes within the plan.

ITEM 7 **I-94 UPDATE**

Mr. Kelby Wallace gave an update on projects along the I-94 corridor within the County. The Rebuilding Michigan bonding money and other traditional funding sources have been allocated to allow the next phase of the project to move forward. The next projects include reconstruction of the Lansing Avenue bridge over I-

94, the Elm Road interchange, and the US-127 and West Avenue interchange. Construction is planned to begin in the spring of 2021, and by the summer of 2023, the work should be substantially complete.

ITEM 8 **MDOT’S PILOT NONMOTORIZED TRAFFIC COUNT PROGRAM**

Sparked by a question from the Jackson County Board of Commissioners this summer, Ms. DeOliveira considered how nonmotorized traffic might be tracked within Jackson. She reported that she has connected with members of MDOT that are developing MDOT’s nonmotorized traffic count program. The statewide program began counting nonmotorized traffic in 2019, including at the Falling Waters Trailhead on Weatherwax Drive. MDOT staff members are interested in working with Region 2 staff on selecting other locations within the county for future count locations. Future data collection points include at the intersection of McDevitt and Hague Ave., the Lakelands Trailhead, and Wampers Lake, east of Pink St.

ITEM 9 **JACKSON CITY + COUNTY NONMOTORIZED PLAN UPDATE**

Ms. DeOliveira provided an update on the project since the committee last met in June. This summer, Jackson County, the City of Jackson, and the Region 2 Planning Commission passed resolutions formally adopting the nonmotorized plan. MDOT has submitted a formal Letter of Support acknowledging that this is the nonmotorized plan for the City and County. Some townships and villages have also passed or are discussing resolutions to formally adopt the plan, including the Village of Brooklyn and Hanover and Concord townships. Support for the project continues to grow across the community.

ITEM 10 **OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business was discussed.

ITEM 11 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

ITEM 12 **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Kline adjourned the meeting at 10:50 AM.

Tanya DeOliveira
Transportation Planner