

MINUTES

JACTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Jackson City Hall
 161 W. Michigan Ave. – 10th Floor
 Jackson, MI 49201

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

Voting Members			
Agency	Name	Member	Alternate
City of Jackson	Jon Dowling	✓	
	Jonathan Greene	X	
	Troy White	✓	
Enterprise Group	Alex Masten	X	
Jackson Co. Airport	Juan Zapata	X	
JATA	Ryan Smith		✓
JCDOT	Jim Cole		✓
	Ben Gershman		✓
	Charlie Brinner	✓	
Local Gov. Representative	Jack Ripstra	X	
MDOT - Lansing Office	Mark Kloha	X	
MDOT - University Region	Mike Davis	X	
R2PC	Anton Schauerte	✓	
Others Present			
Agency / Member of Public	Name		
MDOT – Jackson TSC	Kelby Wallace		
MDOT – Lansing Office	Daniela Khavajian		

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Dowling called the meeting to order at 9:34 AM.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were received.

3. **APPROVAL OF 7/20/22 TAC MEETING MINUTES AND RECEIVAL OF 7/21/22 POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. White, supported by Mr. Cole, to approve the 7/20/22 TAC meeting minutes and to receive the 7/21/22 Policy Committee meeting minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4.A. **AGENCY STATUS REPORTS**

Project status updates were presented by the City of Jackson, Jackson County Department of Transportation, Jackson Area Transportation Authority and the Michigan Department of Transportation.

5.A. **NFC RECLASSIFICATION OF MONROE STREET / MONROE PIKE AND BLACKMAN ROAD**

Mr. Schauerte outlined that in December 2021, both the JACTS TAC and Policy Committee approved the update of Monroe Street (between M-124 and Brooklyn Village Limit) and Monroe Pike (between Brooklyn Village Limit and M-50) from a National Functional Classification (NFC) -7 (Local) designation to an NFC-6 (Minor Collector) designation. However, in May 2022, both the Village of Brooklyn and JCDOT indicated that NFC-5 (Major Collector) would be a more appropriate designation than NFC-6. Due to MDOT having already granted preliminary concurrence for the NFC-5 designation, JCDOT, the Village of Brooklyn, and JACTS/R2PC need to take formal action to approve the NFC-5 classification.

Mr. Schauerte also stated that JCDOT requested R2PC review a separate NFC reclassification for Blackman Road (between Springport Road and County Farm Road) from an NFC-7 to an NFC-5. R2PC staff reviewed FHWA NFC guidelines and concurred that an NFC-5 designation would be appropriate.

A motion was made by Mr. Smith, supported by Mr. Cole, to approve the NFC reclassifications of both Monroe/Monroe Pike and Blackman Road to an NFC-5. The motion carried unanimously.

5.B. **SOCIO-ECONOMIC FORECASTS FOR THE 2050 LRTP TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MODEL (TDM)**

Ms. Khavajian gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the proposed forecasts of the number of households, population, and employment by jurisdiction in Jackson County for the years of 2025, 2030, 2040 and 2050.

Mr. Cole asked whether road diets would be incorporated into the TDM. Ms. Khavajian replied that road diets would indeed be incorporated into the model, in addition to any project that impacts the capacity. Mr. Smith asked the reason the City of Jackson had an increasing number of employment but a decreasing number of population. Ms. Khavajian stated this was due to trends that show people are willing to live further from their jobs, due to the ability to work remotely, or only being required to come to the building their job is in fewer days per week than previously. Another reason for this trend is that there is a decrease in the number of people per households. Mr. Gershman asked whether the network data was available and Ms. Khavajian stated that it was available on the State's open source database.

A motion was made by Mr. White, supported by Mr. Smith, to approve the socio-economic forecasts as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Schauerte presented the JACTS TAC bylaws and provided an overview of the voting member section. Mr. Dowling stated that typically one of the three City of Jackson representatives was the Director of Public Works. Mr. Smith indicated that from his understanding of JATA representatives, Mike Brown was the TAC voting member and the JATA Board President was the voting member for JACTS Policy. Mr. White asked whether there was a document that stated the name of each voting member, in addition to that person's agency. Mr. Schauerte stated that there was an unofficial version and that it could be provided to the TAC at the next meeting. Additionally, there was a discussion about whether "One (1) representative from the Michigan Department of Transportation – University Region" included the Jackson TSC or not.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Dowling adjourned the meeting at 10:48 AM.

Anton Schauerte
Principal Transportation Planner
9/19/22