

MINUTES

Transportation Policy Committee Of the Regional Planning Commission For Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany and Tangipahoa Parishes

November 14, 2017

Committee Members:

Officers:

Parish President Michael Yenni *Chairman*

Parish President Guy McInnis *2nd Vice Chairman*

Mayor Mitchell J. Landrieu *3rd Vice Chair* **Designee:** Dani Galloway

Parish President Amos Cormier III *Secretary*

Parish President Natalie Robottom **Designee:** Laverne Toombs

Parish President Larry Cochran **Designee:** Billy Raymond

Jefferson Parish:

Councilmember At-Large Chris Roberts – **Designee:** Cherreen Gegenheimer

Lee Giorgio

Jack Stumpf

Orleans Parish:

Councilman At-Large: Jason Williams

Councilmember At-Large Stacy Head – **Designee** Katie Baudouin

Plaquemines Parish:

Council Chairman: John Barthelemy

Mandrel Pansy

St. Bernard Parish:

Councilmember Howard Luna **Designee:** Wanda Alcon

Councilmember Gillis McCloskey **Designee:** Roxanne Adams

Charles Ponstein

Susan Klees

St. Charles Parish:

Councilmember: Julia Fisher-Perrier

Councilmember At-Large Wendy Benedetto

St. John the Baptist Parish:

St. Tammany Parish:

Councilman: Steve Stefancik

Councilman: Mike Lorino

Richard Kelley

Bill Newton

Tangipahoa Parish:

Mayor Bob Zabbia

Dr. Bonnie Lewis

DOTD

Secretary Shawn Wilson **Designee:** Chris Morvant

TPC Members:

Mayor Feddy Drennan (Slidell) **Designee:** Tara Hunter

Doug Campbell (Public Belt RR) **Designee:** Scott Richoux

Kevin Dolliole (Aviation Director) **Designee:** Ronaldo R. Nodal

Brandy Christian (Port) **Designee:** Andree Fant

Mayor Donald Villere

Sharon Leader (JeT)

Mayor Mike Cooper

Mayor Pete Panepinto

Attendance: 34

Consultants:



AGENDA

1. Consideration: Approval of the October 10, 2017 minutes
2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
3. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
4. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
5. Consideration: Consultant Selection:
Development of VISSIM Model Applications
RPC Task S-1.18
Amount: \$40,000
6. Consideration: Consultant Selection:
RPC Traffic Counting Program Update 2017
RPC Project A-1.18TC
Amount: \$22,000
7. Presentation: RTA Strategic Mobility Plan
By: David Fields, AICP,
Principal - Nelson\Nygaard
8. Consideration: Public Comment Period
9. Consideration: Other Matters



President Yenni led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Mr. Roesel, a quorum was established. Chairman Yenni began the meeting.

1. Consideration: Approval of October 10, 2017 Minutes

Mr. Ponstein made a motion to approve the October 10, 2017 minutes, seconded by Councilman Stefancik and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 5 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the New Orleans TIP, Highway & Transit Elements, and provided a brief explanation of each item.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Ms. Galloway seconded by Sharon Leader and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

3. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the St. Tammany TIP, Highway & Transit Elements, and provided a brief explanation of each item.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the St. Tammany TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Mr. Kelley seconded by Councilman Stefancik and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

4. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the Tangipahoa TIP, Highway & Transit Elements, and provided a brief explanation of each item.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Tangipahoa TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Dr. Lewis seconded by Mayor Zabbia and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**5. Consideration: Consultant Selection:
Development of VISSIM Model Applications
RPC Task S-1.18
Amount: \$40,000**

Mr. Brooks explained the purpose of this project is to provide technical assistance for the development of a VISSIM model to foster visualization and understanding of the various alternatives under development along Jefferson Highway (US 90) within the medical center corridor.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman call for a motion to approve the Consultant Selection: Development of VISSIM Model Applications RPC Task S-1.18 in the Amount: \$40,000 with J.V. Burkes and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by Councilman Stefancik, seconded by President McInnis and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**6. Consideration: Consultant Selection:
RPC Traffic Counting Program Update 2017
RPC Project A-1.18TC
Amount: \$22,000**

Mr. Brooks explained the purpose of this project is to support the Regional Planning Commission in updating its traffic count database.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman call for a motion to approve the Consultant Selection: RPC Traffic Counting Program Update 2017 RPC Project A-1.18TC in the amount: \$22,000 with ITS Regional, LLC and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by Councilman Williams, seconded by Laverne Toombs and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**7. Presentation: RTA Strategic Mobility Plan
By: David Fields, AICP,
Principal - Nelson\Nygaard**

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Fields to the board. For a copy of the presentation please contact Megan Leonard – 504-483-8525 or mleonard@norpc.org

12. Consideration: Public Comment Period

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

13. Consideration: Other Matters

There being no other matters to discuss, the Chairman adjourned the meeting and proceeded to the Regional Planning Commission Meeting.

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Consultants:

Staff: Walter Brooks, Jeffrey Brooks, Megan Leonard, et al


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1. Consideration: Approval of the October 10, 2017 minutes
2. Consideration: Committee Reports:
 - (a) Budget and Personnel Committee
 - (b) Other Committee Reports
3. Consideration: Financial Report
 - (a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
 - (b) Monthly Budget Report
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RPC Project A-1.18TC
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- 9. Presentation: Sold on St. Bernard
By: Jason Stopa, Director of Community Development, St. Bernard Parish
- 10. Consideration: Travel Request
- 11. Consideration: Contract Extensions
- 12. Consideration: Consultant Billings
- 13. Consideration: Public Comment Period
- 14. Consideration: Other Matters



The Chairman called the meeting to order and noted the existence of a quorum.

1. Consideration: Approval of October 10, 2017 Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on October 10, 2017 were approved upon a motion by Lee Giorgio seconded by Councilwoman Julia Fisher-Perrier and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

2. Committee Reports: Committee Reports:
(a) Budget and Personnel Committee
(b) Other Committee Reports

Mr. Brooks informed the Board there are no reports at this time.

3. Consideration: Financial Report
(a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
(b) Monthly Budget Report

Mr. Roesel referred the members to page 8-9 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending September 31, 2017. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,807,070.37.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet of local activities. It was so moved by Mr. Ponstein, seconded by President Cormier III and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Roesel explained there were no budget amendments at this time.

- 4. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**
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Mr. Brooks requested concurrence of items 4-8 which were already recommended for approval by the members of the Transportation Policy Committee.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve items 4-8 as these items have been already approved by the Transportation Policy Commission. It was so moved by President McInnis and seconded by Mr. Stumpf and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

9. Presentation: Sold on St. Bernard
By: Jason Stopa, Director of Community Development, St. Bernard Parish

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Stopa to the board. For a copy of the presentation please contact Megan Leonard – 504-483-8525 or mleonard@norpc.org

10. Consideration: Travel Request

Mr. Brooks explained there was no travel at this time.

11. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Brooks referred the members to a list of contract extensions on page 10. He explained the one extension was a time only extension. There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the contract extensions. It was so moved by Mayor Zabbia and seconded by President Cormier III and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

12. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Brooks referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 11 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Mr. Kelley and seconded by Mr. Ponstein and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

13. Consideration: Public Comment Period

The Chairman asked if there was any other public comment. There was none.

14. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there was any other matters. There was none. The Chairman adjourned the meeting.