

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

Committee Members:

Officers:

Parish President Matt Jewel, Chairman
Parish President Jaclyn Hotard, 1st Vice Chairwoman
Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng, 2nd Vice Chairwoman
Parish President Robby Miller, 3rd Vice Chairman
Parish President Guy McInnis, 4th Vice Chairman **Designee:** Jason Stoupa
Mayor LaToya Cantrell, 5th Vice Chairwoman **Designee:** Dan Jatres
Parish President Keith Hinkley, Secretary
Parish President Mike Cooper, Treasurer

Jefferson Parish:

Councilmember At-Large Scott Walker **Designee:** Brian Grenrood
Mayor Michael J. Glaser (Kenner) **Designee:** Jose Gonzalez
Lee Giorgio
Jack Stumpf

Orleans Parish:

Councilmember At-Large JP Morrell **Designee:** Krystal Hendon

Plaquemines Parish:

Robert Hopkins

St. Bernard Parish:

Councilmember Wanda Alcon
Councilmember At-Large Kerri Callais
Ray Lauga, Jr.
Susan Klees

St. Charles Parish:

Garret C. Monti
Pastor Thomas Hines

St. John the Baptist Parish:

Councilmember Robert Arcuri
Councilmember Tammy Houston
Raj Pannu
Johnathan Perret

St. Tammany Parish:

Chris Masingill
Christopher Abadie

Tangipahoa Parish:

Council Chair David Vial
Mayor Bob Zabbia (Ponchatoula)

DOTD:

Secretary Shawn Wilson Designee: Chris Morvant

TPC Members:

Kevin Doliolle (Aviation Director) Designee: Ronaldo R. Nodal
Brandy Christian (Port) **Designee:** Charles Ponstein
Mayor Clay Madden
Lona Hankins (RTA)
Carlton Dufrechou (GNOEC)
Ninette Barrios (JeT)
Mayor Pete Panepinto (Hammond)
Mayor Mark R. Johnson (Covington) **Designee:** Erin Bovina

Attendance: 37

Consultants:

Staff: Mr. Jeff Roesel, Mr. Jason Sappington, Ms. Megan Leonard, et al

TPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Approval of the December 13, 2022 minutes
2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
3. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
4. Resolution: Adoption of the Mandeville-Covington UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026)
5. Resolution: Adoption of the Slidell UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026)
6. Resolution: Contractual Agreement: Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) & RPC for FFY23 Highway Safety Programs
7. Consideration: Public Comment Period
8. Consideration: Other Matters

Mr. Jeff Roesel, RPC's Executive Director led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Mr. Jason Sappington, RPC's Deputy Director, a quorum was established.

RPC Chairman Matt Jewell addressed the Board and welcomed new member Parish President Keith Hinkley.

1. Consideration: Approval of the December 13, 2022 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the December 13, 2022 minutes. Mayor Pete Panepinto made a motion to approve the December 13, 2022 minutes, seconded by Mr. Greg Giangrosso and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

2. Considerations: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 5 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the New Orleans TIP, Highway Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway Elements. It was so moved by Parish President Jaclyn Hotard and seconded by Councilmember Tammie Houston and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel informed the Board there are no amendments at this time and to proceed to the next item.

4. Resolution: Adoption of the Mandeville-Covington UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026)

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the packet and explained the resolution adopting the Mandeville-Covington UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026).

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Resolution: Adoption of the Mandeville-Covington UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026). It was so moved by Ms. Erin Bovina and seconded by Parish President Mike Cooper and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

5. Resolution: Adoption of the Slidell UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026)

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 7 of the packet and explained the resolution adopting the Slidell UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026).

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Resolution: Adoption of the Slidell UZA Transportation Improvement Program (FFY 2023-2026). It was so moved by Mr. Ray Lauga, Jr. and seconded by Parish President Robby Miller and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

6. Resolution: Contractual Agreement: Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) & RPC for FFY23 Highway Safety Programs

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 8 of the packet and explained the resolution adopting the Contractual Agreement: Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) & RPC for FFY23 Highway Safety Programs

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Resolution: Contractual Agreement: Louisiana Highway Safety Commission (LHSC) & RPC for FFY23 Highway Safety Programs. It was so moved by Mr. Charles Ponstein and seconded by Mr. Jonathan Perret and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Public Comment Period:

Mr. Roesel asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

8. Other Matters:

Mr. Roesel gave the Board a handout for a Notice: Open Public Meeting for the Federal Transportation Planning Process. This meeting is part of a joint Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) review of the local transportation planning process for compliance with Federal regulations.

In the New Orleans area, the planning process is carried out by the New Orleans Metropolitan Planning Organization (hosted by the Regional Planning Commission) in cooperation with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, local transit operators, and local units of government. Your comments are a valuable part of this review. The meeting will be held on January 31st at 5:30p.m. here in the RTMC conference room. For more information on this meeting, you can contact:

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Michelle Bloomer, Planner
Federal Transit Administration, Region 6
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There being no other matters to discuss, Mr. Jeff Roesel noted the quorum is still established, the Chairman proceeded to the Regional Planning Commission Meeting.

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RPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Approval of the December 13, 2022 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
4. Presentation: Adams and Reese LLP
Jeff Brooks, Partner
5. Consideration: Travel Request
6. Consideration: Contract Extensions
7. Consideration: Consultant Billings
8. Consideration: Public Comment Period
9. Consideration: Other Matters

1. Consideration: Approval of the December 13, 2022 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the December 13, 2022 minutes. Councilmember Wanda Alcon made a motion to approve the December 13, 2022 minutes, seconded by Councilmember David Vial and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no committee reports at this time.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 9 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending November 30, 2022. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,719,312.80.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet. It was so moved by Parish President Mike Cooper and seconded by Mayor Bob Zabbia and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 10 of the meeting packet for the monthly budget report ending November 30, 2022. He explained there were no budget amendments at this time. No motion is needed for this item.

4. Presentation: Adams and Reese LLP **Jeff Brooks, Partner**

Mr. Jeff Roesel introduced Mr. Jeff Brooks to the Board. For a copy of the presentation please contact Mr. Jeff Brooks at Jeffrey.Brooks@arlaw.com

5. Consideration: Travel Request

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred members to page 11 of the meeting packet and pointed out 1 travel requests. One for two staff members, Mrs. Maggie Woodruff and Ms. Elizabeth Morris to attend the attend the DRA Annual Training, January 31 – February 3, 2023, in Memphis, TN.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the travel request. It was so moved by Mr. Robert Hopkins seconded by Ms. Raj Pannu and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

6. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no contract extensions at this time.

7. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 12 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 Ms. Susan Klees and seconded by Mr. Jack Stumpf and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

8. Consideration: Public Comment Period

Mr. Roesel asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

9. Consideration: Other Matters

Mr. Roesel informed the Board that Mr. Chris G. Morvant, P.E., PTOE of District 02, Engineer Administrator of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development would be retiring on February 7, 2023 after 34 years. Mr. Roesel thanked him for all his work and assistance with RPC projects over the years and all the best with his future endeavors.

The Chairman asked if there were any other matters. There were none.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was so moved by Councilmember Robert Acuri and seconded by Parish President Keith Hinkley and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.