#### **MINUTES**

# **Transportation Policy Committee**

#### Of the

## **Regional Planning Commission**

For

#### Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Tammany and Tangipahoa Parishes

#### **February 14, 2017**

Committee Members:

**Officers:** 

MICHAEL YENNI Chairman

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Mayor Tina Miceli

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**Orleans Parish:** 

Councilmember At-Large Stacy Head

Ronald Carrere

**Plaquemines Parish:** 

Scott Morse

St. Bernard Parish:

Councilman Gillis McCloskey

Councilman Howard Luna

Charles Ponstein

Susan Klees

St. Tammany Parish:

Councilman Steve Stefancik

Richard Kelley

Tangipahoa Parish:

Mayor Bob Zabbia

Council Chairman Lionnel Wells Designee: Councilman Bobby Cortez

Dr. Bonnie Lewis

DOTD

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#### **TPC Members:**

Mayor Freddy Drennan (Slidell) Designee: Tim Mathison Doug Campbell (Public Belt RR) Designee: Scott Richoux

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Cathy Gautreaux (Freight)

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Mayor Donald Villere, (Mandeville)

Sharonda Williams

Sharon Leader (JeT)

Mayor Mike Cooper (Covington)

Mayor Pete Panepinto

Attendance: 32

Consultants:

Staff: Walter Brooks, Jeff Roesel, Nicholas Silvey, Megan Leonard, et al

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#### **AGENDA**

1. Consideration: Approval of the January 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:

Stage 0 Feasibility Lindberg Drive Improvements Slidell, Louisiana

(RPC Task SL-1.17, FY-17 UPWP)

Amount: \$45,000

6. Presentation: UPS Alternative Fuel Fleet

By: Mike Britt, Director of Maintenance & Engineering, UPS

7. Consideration: Public Comment Period

8. Consideration: Other Matters

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President Yenni led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

#### 1. Consideration: Approval of January 10, 2017 Minutes

Mr. Ponstein made a motion to approve the January 10, 2017 minutes, seconded by Dr. Lewis 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 4-6 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 Deputy Mayor Grant, seconded by Councilwoman Head 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 7-8 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 Councilman Stefancik 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.

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

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 9-10 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 Mayor Panepinto seconded by Councilman Cortez 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:

Stage 0 Feasibility Lindberg Drive Improvements Slidell, Louisiana

(RPC Task SL-1.17, FY-17 UPWP)

Amount: \$45,000

Mr. Brooks explained the purpose of this study is to identify potential improvements along Lindberg Drive on its approach to the signalized intersection at US 190 (Gause Boulevard) to reduce congestion and promote efficient traffic flow.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman call for a motion to approve the Consultant Selection: Stage 0 Feasibility Lindberg Drive Improvements Slidell, Louisiana (RPC Task SL-1.17, FY-17 UPWP) in the Amount: \$45,000 with JV 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 Mr. Kelley and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

6. **Presentation:** UPS Alternative Fuel Fleet

By: Mike Britt, Director of Maintenance & Engineering, UPS

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Mike Britt. For more information on this presentation please contact Megan Leonard at <a href="mailto:mleonard@norpc.org">mleonard@norpc.org</a>

#### 9. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

#### 10. 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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St. Bernard Parish:

Councilman Gillis McCloskey: Designee Carly Jackson

**Councilman** Howard Luna

Charles Ponstein Susan Klees

St. Tammany Parish:

Councilman Steve Stefancik

Councilman Mike Lorino

Richard Kelley

Tangipahoa Parish: Mayor Bob Zabbia

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1. Consideration: Approval of the January 10, 2017 minutes

2. Consideration: Committee Reports:

(a) Budget and Personnel Committee

a. Policy & Procedures Resolution

(b) Other Committee Reports

3. Consideration: Financial Report

(a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities

(b) Monthly Budget Report

4. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement

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9. Consideration: Consultant Selection:

Stage 0 Feasibility Lindberg Drive Improvements Slidell, Louisiana

(RPC Task SL-1.17, FY-17 UPWP)

Amount: \$45,000

10. Presentation: 2017 Draft Coastal Master Plan

By: Bren Haase, Chief - Planning & Research Division of Coastal Protection & Restoration

Authority

11. Consideration: Travel Request
12. Consideration: Contract Extensions
13. Consideration: Consultant Billings
14. Consideration: Public Comment Period

15. Consideration: Other Matters

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

### 1. Consideration: Approval of January 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 Minutes

The minutes from the meeting on January 10, 2017 were approved upon a motion by Howard Luna seconded by President Miller 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
  - a. Policy & Procedures Resolution
- (b) Other Committee Reports

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 12 and introduced Attorney Ernest Burguieres who would explain the resolution. Mr. Burguieres explained the resolution for retiring employees with OGB.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the Resolution. It was so moved by President Cormier III, seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

#### 3. Consideration: Financial Report

- (a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
- (b)Monthly Budget Report

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 13 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending December 31, 2016. He indicated that the RPC's total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,704,124.08

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 Dr. Lewis, seconded by Susan Klees and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Silvey explained on page 14 that there were no budget amendments.

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Mr. Silvey requested concurrence of items 4-7 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 4-7 as these items have been already approved by the Transportation Policy Commission. It was so moved by Councilman Luna and seconded by Susan Klees and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

8. Presentation: 2017 Draft Coastal Master Plan

By: Bren Haase, Chief - Planning & Research Division of Coastal Protection &

**Restoration Authority** 

For information on this presentation please contact Megan Leonard at mleonard@norpc.org

9. Consideration: Travel Request

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

10. . Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr.Silvey referred the members to page 15 for a list of contract extensions. There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the contract extensions. It was so moved my Mayor Miceli and seconded by Mayor Zabbia and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

## 9. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Silvey referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 16 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 my Mr. Kelley and seconded by Councilman Stefancik and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

#### 21. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

#### 22. Consideration: Other Matters

There being no other matters the meeting is adjourned.