

MINUTES
Transportation Policy Committee
Of the
Regional Planning Commission
For

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

September 13, 2016

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Charles Ponstein
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St. Tammany Parish:

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Attendance: 33

Consultants:

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



AGENDA

1. Consideration: Approval of the August 9, 2016 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:
RPC Traffic Counting Program Update
2016 Transportation System Surveillance
RPC Task A-1.17 TC: FY-17 UPWP
Amount: \$40,000
6. Presentation: The Louisiana Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Overview
By: Major Carl F. Saizan, Jr. – Louisiana State Police
Ron Whittaker – DOTD Law Enforcement Consultant & Northshore
Regional Safety Coalition Champion
7. Presentation: Marty Chabert
Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator
8. Consideration: Public Comment Period
9. Consideration: Other Matters



President Brister led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call, a quorum was established. Chairwoman Brister began the meeting.

1. Consideration: Approval of August 9, 2016 Minutes

Deputy Mayor Grant made a motion to approve the August 9, 2016 minutes, seconded by President Miller and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairwoman.

2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation

Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 4-5 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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Councilmember Williams, seconded by Deputy Mayor Grant and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the St. Tammany TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Richard Kelley seconded by Councilmember Stefancik and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 7 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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the Tangipahoa TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by President Miller, seconded by Mayor Panepinto and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

5. Consideration: Consultant Selection: RPC Traffic Counting Program Update 2016 Transportation System Surveillance RPC Task A-1.17 TC: FY-17 UPWP Amount: \$40,000

Mr. Brooks explained the purpose of this project is to support the Regional Planning Commission in updating its traffic count database. These counts will help inform transportation planning by providing an up to date view of traffic conditions on the region's major roadways.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman call for a motion to approve the RPC Traffic Counting Program Update with ITS Regional in the Amount: \$ 40,000 and to authorize the Chairwoman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by President Yenni, 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 Chairwoman.

Mr. Brooks asked the Chairwoman to take item 7 prior to Item 6. The Chairwoman asked if there were and objections. There being no objections Item 7 was taken prior to Item 6.

7. Presentation: Marty Chabert Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Chabert to the board. For information regarding this presentation please contact Mleonard@norpc.org

6. Presentation: The Louisiana Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Overview

**By: Major Carl F. Saizan, Jr. – Louisiana State Police
Ron Whittaker – DOTD Law Enforcement Consultant & Northshore
Regional Safety Coalition Champion**

Mr. Brooks introduced Major Saizan and Mr. Whittaker to the board. For a copy of this presentation please contact Mleonard@norpc.org or nhollings@norpc.org

9. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

10. Consideration: Other Matters

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

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 - (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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Amount: \$40,000
8. Consideration: Travel Request
9. Consideration: Contract Extensions
10. Consideration: Consultant Billings
11. Consideration: Public Comment Period
12. Consideration: Other Matters



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

- 1. Consideration: Approval of August 9, 2016 Minutes**

The minutes from the meeting on August 9, 2016 were approved upon a motion by Susan Klees seconded by Mr. Stumpf, Jr. and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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

Mr. Silvey explained the Committee Reports would come under the Financial Report.

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

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 9 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending July 31, 2016. He indicated that the RPC's total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,776,500.98

There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet of local activities. It was so moved by Councilmember Lee Sheng, seconded by President Theriot and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

Mr. Silvey explained on page 10 that there were no budget amendments.

- 4. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**
- 5. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**
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Mr. Brooks 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 Chairwoman 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 President Miller and seconded by President McInnis and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

- 8. Consideration: Travel Request**

There is no travel at this time.

- 8. Consideration: Contract Extensions**

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 11 for a list of contract extensions. There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the contract extensions. It was so moved by Councilman Luna and seconded by Mr. Ponstein and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

9. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Silvey 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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Richard Kelley and seconded by Councilmember Stefancik and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman.

21. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

22. Consideration: Other Matters

President Miller thanked the board and Parish officials for everyone's assistance in the August floods.

There being no other matters the meeting is adjourned.