

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

**April 11, 2017**

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Committee Members:

**Officers:**

**Parish President** Michael Yenni *Chairman*

**Parish President** Robby Miller *1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman* **Designee:** Joe Thomas

**Parish President** Guy McInnis *2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman*

**Mayor** Mitchell J. Landrieu *3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chair* **Designee:** Deputy Mayor Cedric Grant

**Parish President** Amos Cormier III *Secretary*

**Parish President** Natalie Robottom

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

**Jefferson Parish:**

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

Lee Giorgio

Jack Stumpf

**Orleans Parish:**

**Councilmember At-Large** Stacy Head **Designee:** Lynn Alliene

Ronald Carrere

**Plaquemines Parish:**

Scott Morse

Mandrel Pansy

**St. Bernard Parish:**

**Councilman** Howard Luna

**Councilman** Gillis McCloskey **Designee: Councilmember:** Wanda Alcon

Charles Ponstein

Susan Klees

**St. Charles Parish:**

**Councilmember:** Julia Fisher-Perrier

**St. John the Baptist Parish:**

Charles Kennedy

**St. Tammany Parish:**

**Councilman** Steve Stefancik

Richard Kelley

Bill Newton

**Tangipahoa Parish:**

**Mayor** Bob Zabbia

Dr. Bonnie Lewis

**DOTD**

**Secretary** Shawn Wilson **Designee:** Chris Morvant

**TPC Members:**

**Mayor** Freddy Drennan (Slidell) **Designee:** Eric Lundon

Doug Campbell (Public Belt RR) **Designee:** Erica Beck

Shelby Lasalle (Greater N. O. Expwy. Comm) **Designee:** Carlton Dufrechou

Mark Reis (Aviation Interim Director) **Designee:** Ronaldo R. Nodal

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

**Mayor** Donald Villere

Shronda Williams – **Designee:** CJ

Sharon Leader (JeT)

**Mayor** Mike Cooper (Covington)

**Mayor** Pete Panepinto

Attendance: 36

Consultants:

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



AGENDA

- 1. Consideration: Approval of the March 14, 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: Public Comment Period
- 6. Consideration: Other Matters



President Yenni led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the start of the meeting President Yenni asked the board for a moment of silence for President Brister’s family and for our country.

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

**1. Consideration: Approval of March 14, 2017 Minutes**

Councilman Stefancik made a motion to approve the March 14, 2017 minutes, seconded by Mr. Morse 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 4-5 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 Deputy Mayor Grant, seconded by Designee: Cherreen Gegenheimer 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 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.

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

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 8 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 Designee: Joe Thomas 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:                   Public Comment Period**

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

**6. 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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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. 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
6. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
7. Presentation: University of New Orleans  
By: Dr. Nicklow, President
8. Consideration: Travel Request
9. Consideration: Contract Extensions
10. Consideration: Consultant Billings
11. Consideration: Public Comment Period
12. Consideration: Other Matters



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

**1. Consideration: Approval of March 14<sup>th</sup> 2017 Minutes**

The minutes from the meeting on March 14, 2017 were approved upon a motion by President Robottom seconded by Designee: Billy Raymond 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. 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 8 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending February 28, 2017. He indicated that the RPC's total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$1,512,512.02

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. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Giorgio and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Silvey explained on page 9 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**
6. **Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**

Mr. Silvey requested concurrence of items 4-6 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 4-6 as these items have been already approved by the Transportation Policy Commission. It was so moved by Councilman Stefancik and seconded by President Robottom and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

7. **Presentation: University of New Orleans**  
**By: Dr. Nicklow, President**

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Nicklow. For more information on this presentation please contact Megan Leonard at [mleonard@norpc.org](mailto:mleonard@norpc.org)

8. **Consideration: Travel Request**

There is not travel at this time.

9. **Consideration: Contract Extensions**

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 10 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 President McInnis and seconded by President Cormier III and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

10. **Consideration: Consultant Billings**

Mr. Silvey 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 my Mr. Kelley and seconded by Councilman Stefancik and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

11. **Consideration: Public Comment Period**

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

**12. Consideration: Other Matters**

There being no other matters the meeting is adjourned.