September 8, 2026 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

Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2026
Time: 12:30 pm
Place: Regional Transportation Management Center
10 Veterans Boulevard - First Floor Conference Room
New Orleans, Louisiana

Committee Members:
Officers:
Parish President Robby Miller, Chairman- Tangipahoa Parish- Present
Parish President Louis Pomes, 1st Vice Chairman- St. Bernard Parish **Designee**: Merritt Landry- Present
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Parish President Jaclyn Hotard, Secretary- St. John The Baptist Parish- Absent
Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng, Treasurer- Jefferson Parish- Present
Jefferson Parish:
Councilmember At-Large Jennifer Van Vrancken- Absent
Mayor Belinda Constant- Absent
Lee Giorgio- Present
Jack Stumpf- Present
Orleans Parish:
Councilmember At-Large JP Morrell **Designee**: James Baker- Present
Councilmember At-Large Matthew Willard **Designee**: Julius Feltus- Present
Adrian Bruneau- Absent
Nissan Patel- Absent
Plaquemines Parish:
Council Chair Chris Schulz **Designee**: Councilmember Ronnie Newsom - Present
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Robert Hopkins- Present
Allen Hero- Present
St. Bernard Parish:
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Carlo Bruno- Absent
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DOTD:
Secretary Glenn Ledet **Designee**: Dalton Williams- Present
TPC Members:
Mayor Randy Fandal (Slidell)- Present
Tomeka Watson Bryant (N.O. Public Belt RR)- Absent
Kevin Dolliole (Aviation Director)- Present
Beth Ann Branch (Port)- Absent
Mayor Clay Madden, (Mandeville)- Absent
Ronald Baptiste, Jr (RTA)- Absent
Carlton Dufrechou (GNOEC)- Present
Ninette Barrios (Jefferson Parish Transit)- Present
Mayor Wesley Daniels (Ponchatoula)- Present
Mayor Mark R. Johnson (Covington)- Absent
Renee Amar (LMTA)- Absent

Attendance: 31
Consultants:
Staff: Mr. Jeff Roesel, Mr. Jason Sappington, Ms. Megan Leonard, Ms. Joan Rupp, et al

TPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period
2. Consideration: Approval of the September 8, 2026 minutes
3. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
4. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville-Covington Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
5. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
6. Consideration: Amendment to the South Tangipahoa Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
7. Consideration: Draft FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program Update
8. Presentation: Draft 2056 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
   Nicolette Jones, RPC Senior Transportation Planner
9. 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.

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

2. Consideration: Approval of the August 11, 2026 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the August 11, 2026 minutes. It was so moved by Mayor Wesley Daniels and seconded by Mayor Randy Fandal.

There being no objections, this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

3. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred members to page 3 of the meeting packet outlining the New Orleans TIP, Highway and Transit Elements, gave a brief explanation.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP, Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Stephen Nelson and seconded by James Baker. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

4. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville/Covington Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no Mandeville/Covington TIP amendments this month and we could proceed to the next item.

5. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no Slidell TIP amendments this month and we could proceed to the next item.

6. Consideration: Amendment to the South Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Element

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no South Tangipahoa TIP amendments this month and we could proceed to the next item.

7. Consideration: Draft FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program Update

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the Board to the QR code on the handout for the Updated Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Southeast Louisiana Metropolitan Area. He noted that the draft has been updated to include requested items, including specifically identified projects regardless of funding source. RPC will continue coordinating with project sponsors as additional project details develop, particularly for projects exceeding $10 million, which will require TPC approval.

Due to the significant changes to the document, the public review period has been extended through October, with final approval anticipated at the October 13, 2026 TPC meeting.

Mr. Roesel also reported that, at the Board's request at the August 11 meeting, RPC contacted DOTD Secretary Glenn Ledet regarding concerns raised by the Board, particularly project implementation delays. The Board was copied on the correspondence. Secretary Ledet subsequently advised that Eric Dauphine and Dawn Sholmire will attend the October 13, 2026 TPC meeting to discuss changes DOTD is making to the STBG/LPA programs intended to improve project delivery.

There being no other comments or questions, Mr. Jeff Roesel explained we could proceed to the next item.

8. Presentation: Draft 2056 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Nicolette Jones, RPC Senior Transportation Planner

Mr. Jeff Roesel introduced the draft 2056 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and referred the members to the QR on the handout to view the draft plan on the NORPC website. He introduced Nicolette Jones, RPC Senior Planner, to the board. Ms. Jones provided an overview of the planning process and draft plan components and notified the members of the public comment deadline (Oct. 12, 2026) as well as the ways in which to submit comments: online at https://www.norpc.org/draftmtp2056/ of via email at rpc@norpc.org.

9. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there were any other matters.

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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1. Consideration: Public Comment Period
2. Consideration: Approval of the August 11, 2026 minutes
3. Consideration: Committee Reports:
   (a) Budget and Personnel Committee
   (b) Other Committee Reports
4. Consideration: Financial Report:
   (a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
   (b) Monthly Budget Report
5. Resolution: Department of Energy Clean Cities and Communities Partnership Renewal Letter
6. Consideration: Travel Request
7. Consideration: Contract Extensions
8. Consideration: Consultant Billings
9. Consideration: Other Matters

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

2. Consideration: Approval of the August 11, 2026 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the August 11, 2026 minutes. It was so moved by Councilmember Brigette Hyde and seconded by Garret Monti.

There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no committee reports and we could proceed to the next item.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 5 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending July 31, 2026. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, and Fund Balance are in the amount of $2,528,839.46.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet. It was so moved by Councilmember Ryan Randall and seconded by Gina Hayes. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet, which contains the monthly budget reports for the period ending July 31, 2026. He also stated that no budget amendments were required at this time. No action or motion was needed for this item.

5. Resolution: Department of Energy Clean Cities and Communities Partnership Renewal Letter

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 7 of the meeting packet and the accompanying handout. He explained that the resolution is intended to renew the Southeast Louisiana Clean Fuel Partnership's commitment to the U.S. Department of Energy's Clean Cities and Communities Partnership.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Resolution for the Department of Energy Clean Cities and Communities Partnership Renewal Letter. It was so moved by Susan Klees and seconded by Julius Feltus. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

6. Consideration: Travel Request

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to the top of page 8 of the meeting packet for a Travel Requests for one staff member, Adam Tatar, to attend the 2026 NADO Annual Training Conference October 19-22, 2026 in Reno, NV.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Travel Request. It was so moved by Councilmember Ronnie Newsom and seconded by Adam Acquistapace. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to the bottom of page 8 for the contract extension for the Agency Branding and Communications Project RPC Task: D-1.25. The extension is for time only.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the contract extension. It was so moved by Councilmember Jeff Corbin and seconded by Parish President Keith Hinkley. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

8. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills beginning on page 9 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions the Chairman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Councilmember Tammy Houston and seconded by Councilmember Brigette Hyde. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

9. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there were any other matters.

There being no other matters, the Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was so moved by Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng and seconded by Parish President Keith Hinkley and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.