

**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**

**July 12<sup>th</sup> 2018**

Committee Members:

**Officers:**

**Parish President** Robby Miller *Chairman*

**Parish President** Guy McInnis *1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman*

**Mayor** LaToya Cantrell, *2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman* **Designee:** Ramsey Green

**Parish President** Amos Cormier III *3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Chairman* **Designee:** John Barthelemy

**Parish President** Patricia Brister *4<sup>th</sup> Vice Chairwoman*

**Parish President** Larry Cochran *5<sup>th</sup> Vice Chairman*

**Parish President** Natalie Robottom *Secretary*

**Parish President** Michael Yenni *Treasurer* **Designee:** Jose Gonzalez

**Jefferson Parish:**

**Councilmember At-Large** Cynthia Lee-Sheng

**Mayor** Belinda Constant

Lee Giorgio

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**Orleans Parish:**

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Bill Newton

**Tangipahoa Parish:**

**Council Chair** Bobby Cortez

Dr. Bonnie Lewis

**DOTD**

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

**TPC Members:**

**Mayor** Greg Cromer (Slidell) **Designee:** John Welborn

Doug Campbell (Public Belt RR) **Designee:** Scott Richoux

Shelby Lasalle (GNOEC) **Designee:** Carlton Dufrechou

Kevin Dolliole (Aviation) **Designee:** Ronaldo R. Nodal

Brandy Christian (Port) **Designee:** Charles Ponstein

Jared Munster (RTA)

Sharon Leader (JeT)

**Mayor** Bob Zabbia (Ponchatoula)

Attendance: 34

Consultants:



## AGENDA

1. Consideration: Approval of the June 12, 2018 minutes
2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements (FFY15-18)
3. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements (FFY15-18)
4. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements (FFY15-18)
5. Consideration: Consultant Selection:  
Train Detection System (TDS) – Phase I  
Task A-1.19TDS; FY-19 UPWP  
Amount: \$45,000
6. Consideration: Consultant Selection:  
Regional Transportation Resilience Analysis  
Task A-2.19; FY-19 UPWP  
Amount: \$50,000
7. Presentation: Clean Fleet Awards  
By: Rebecca Otte, Clean Fuel Partnership Director
8. Resolution: Clean Cities Co-Coordinator – Southeast Louisiana Clean Fuel Partnership
9. Consideration: Public Comment Period
10. Consideration: Other Matters



President Miller led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Mr. Jason Sappington, a quorum was established.

**1. Consideration: Approval of June 12, 2018 Minutes**

Councilmember Wanda Alcon made a motion to approve the June 12, 2018 minutes, seconded by Mr. Charles Ponstein and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

- President Patricia Brister made a motion to move agenda item #7 Clean Fleet Awards to the beginning of the meeting. It was seconded by President Natalie Robottom and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance as noted by the Chairman.

**7. Presentation: Clean Fleet Awards  
By: Rebecca Otte, Clean Fuel Partnership Director**

Mr. Roesel introduced Ms. Otte, RPC's Clean Fuel Partnership Director, to the Board. For a copy of the presentation please contact Megan Leonard – 504-483-8525 or [mleonard@norpc.org](mailto:mleonard@norpc.org)

**2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**

Mr. Roesel referred the members to pages 5 of the meeting packet and the additional handout 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 Mr. Jose Gonzalez seconded by Sharon Leader and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

**3. Consideration:                   Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**

Mr. Roesel 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 President Patricia Brister seconded by Mr. Bill Newton and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

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

There are no Tangipahoa amendments at this time.

**5. Consideration:                   Consultant Selection:  
Train Detection System (TDS) – Phase I  
Task A-1.19TDS; FY-19 UPWP  
Amount: \$45,000**

Mr. Roesel explained the purpose of this project is to conduct a systems engineering study for an ITS application that will provide real-time information to drivers.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman call for a motion to approve the Consultant Selection: Train Detection System (TDS) – Phase I Task A-1.19TDS; FY-19 UPWP in the amount of \$45,000 with Gresham, Smith and Partners and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by Mr. Ramsey Green, seconded by Mr. Charles Ponstein and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**6. Consideration:                   Consultant Selection:  
Regional Transportation Resilience Analysis  
Task A-2.19; FY-19 UPWP  
Amount: \$50,000**

Mr. Roesel explained the purpose of this project is to inventory and summarize existing plans, studies and analyses related to the physical resilience and vulnerability of the transportation system to identify unmet needs and prioritize next steps.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman call for a motion to approve the Consultant Selection: Regional Transportation Resilience Analysis Task A-2.19; FY-19 UPWP in the amount of \$50,000 with TMG Consulting LLC and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by President Guy McInnis, seconded by Jose Gonzalez and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**7. Resolution:                   Clean Cities Co-Coordinator – Southeast Louisiana Clean Fuel Partnership**

Mr. Roesel explained the resolution and the need to designate a Clean Cities Co-Coordinator position For the Southeast Louisiana Clean Fuel Partnership. Courtney Young was named the Co-Coordinator. There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the resolution and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this resolution. It was so moved by Susan Klees, seconded by Mayor Constant and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance and the member of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

**8. Consideration:                   Public Comment Period**

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

**9. 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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Attendance: 26

Consultants:

Staff: Jeffrey Roesel, Jason Sappington, Megan Leonard, Walter Brooks et al

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1. Consideration: Approval of the June 12, 2018 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. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements (FFY15-18)
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9. Presentation: Brownfields Update  
 By: Rebecca Otte, Brownfield Redevelopment Program Director
4. Consideration: Travel Request
5. Consideration: Contract Extensions
6. Consideration: Consultant Billings
7. Consideration: Public Comment Period
8. Consideration: Other Matters



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

**1. Consideration: Approval of June 12, 2018 Minutes**

The minutes from the meeting on June 12, 2018 were approved upon a motion by Ms. Susan Klees seconded by Councilmember Cynthia Lee Sheng 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**

There are no Committee Reports at this time.

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

Mr. Roesel referred the members to page 8 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending May 31, 2018 and the Monthly Budget Report. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,046,968.55. Mr. Roesel also explained there were no budget amendments at this time.

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 Mayor Belinda Constant, seconded by Parish President Robottom and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

- 4. **Consideration:**           **Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements (FFY15-18)**
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Mr. Roesel requested concurrence of items 4-8 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 4-8 as these items have been already approved by the Transportation Policy Commission. It was so moved by Councilmember Benedetto and seconded by Councilmember Remondet and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

- 10. **Presentation:**           **Brownfields Update**  
**By: Rebecca Otte, Brownfield Redevelopment Program Director**

Mr. Roesel introduced Ms. Otte, RPC’s Clean Fuel Partnership Director, to the Board. For a copy of the presentation please contact Megan Leonard – 504-483-8525 or [mleonard@norpc.org](mailto:mleonard@norpc.org)

- 11. **Consideration:**           **Travel Request**

Mr. Roesel referred the members to page 9 of the packet and explained staff had 3 travel request. Two staff members, Clare Brown & Lynn Dupont, to attend the GISPro & CalGIS 2018 Conference, October 9-12, 2018, Palm Springs, CA. One staff member, Tom Haysley, to attend the FHWA Peer Exchange: MPOs & Safety Transportation Performance Management, September 4-6, 2018, Chicago, IL. One staff member, Dan Jatres, to attend the USDOT Safety Program Management Workshop, July 24-25, 2018 Providence, Rhode Island.

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

- 12. **Consideration:**           **Contract Extensions**

Mr. Roesel referred the members to a list of contract extensions on page 9. He explained the one extension is a time only extension. There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the contract extensions. It was so moved by Councilmember Wanda Alcon and seconded by Parish President Larry Cochran and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

- 13. **Consideration:**           **Consultant Billings**

Mr. Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 10 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 Parish president Guy McInnis and seconded by Parish President Patricia Brister and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

- 24. **Consideration:**           **Public Comment Period**

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

- 25. **Consideration:**           **Other Matters**

The Chairman asked if there was any other matters. There was none. The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

