

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

May 12, 2020

Committee Members:

Officers:

Mayor LaToya Cantrell, *Chairwoman*

Parish President Kirk Lepine *1st Vice Chairman*

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Parish President Jaclyn Hotard *4th Vice Chairman*

Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng *5th Vice Chairwoman* **Designee:** Gregory Giagrosso

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St. Tammany Parish:

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Councilmember Mike Lorino

Christopher Masingill

Tangipahoa Parish:

Mayor Pete Panepinto

DOTD:

Secretary Shawn Wilson **Designee:** Chris Morvant

TPC Members:

Mayor Greg Cromer (Slidell)

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

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

Mayor Donald Villere (Mandeville)

Alex Z. Wiggins (RTA) **Designee:** Katherine Felton

GNOEC **Designee:** Carlton Dufrechou

Ninette Barrios (JeT)

Mayor Bob Zabbia (Ponchatoula)

Mayor Mark R. Johnson (Covington) **Designee:** Erin Bivona

Attendance: 37

Consultants:

Staff: Jeff Roesel, Jason Sappington, Megan Leonard, Malissa Givhan, et al



AGENDA

1. Consideration: Approval of the April 14, 2020 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

Megan Leonard, RPC's Director of Management & Finance thanked the Board for joining in RPC's second Virtual meeting using the platform GoToWebinar. She went over how to use the GoToWebinar platform and gave instructions for questions/comments and public comments. Once the motions for the agenda items are made, a poll will appear on your screen for the full Board to cast their vote on the item. All items, packet, minutes, handouts etc. were emailed to the Board and posted on the RPC website for public view. All items are all listed under the handouts section on GoToWebinar.

Jeff Roesel, RPC's Executive Director led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Jason Sappington, RPC's Deputy Director, a quorum was established.

Mayor LaToya Cantrell, RPC's Chairwoman thanked everyone for participating in the virtual meeting.

1. **Consideration: Approval of April 14, 2020 Minutes**

The Chairwoman asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the April 14th minutes. Chris Masingill, St. Tammany Parish Citizen member asked to have the minutes reflect he was in attendance for the April 14th meeting. Megan Leonard acknowledged this and will correct the April 14th minutes. Parish President Matt Jewell made a motion to approve the April 14, 2020 minutes, seconded by Parish President Robby Miller. Based on the poll, this item is approved by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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

Jeff Roesel referred the members to pages 5-6 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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Parish President Guy McInnis and seconded by Councilmember Jason Williams. Based on the poll, this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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

Jeff Roesel informed the members there were no amendments to the St. Tammany TIP, Highway & Transit Elements.

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

Jeff Roesel informed the members there were no amendments to the Tangipahoa TIP, Highway & Transit Elements.

5. **Consideration: Public Comment Period**

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

6. **Consideration: Other Matters**

The Chairwoman asked if there was any other matters. There was none.

There being no other matters to discuss, Jeff Roesel noted the quorum is still established, the Chairwoman 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: Contract Extensions
- 5. Consideration: Consultant Billings
- 6. Consideration: Public Comment Period
- 7. Consideration: Other Matters



1. Consideration: Approval of April 14, 2020 Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of April 14, 2020 were approved upon a motion by Mayor Greg Cromer* and seconded by Councilmember Michael Wright. Based on the poll this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

*Mayor Cromer is a member of the Transportation Policy committee, there was no objection to him making this motion.

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

Jeff Roesel informed the members there were no committee reports at this time and no motion is needed.

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

Jeff Roesel referred the members to pages 7 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending March 31, 2020. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,093,617.56.

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 Parish President Guy McInnis, seconded by Parish President

Robby Miller. Based on the poll this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 8 of the packet to show the Board the budget versus actual as of March 31st. There are no amendments at this time and no motion is needed.

4. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 9 of the meeting packet for the contract extension. This request is a time only extension.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve contract extension. It was so moved by Mayor Greg Cromer* seconded by Parish President Guy McInnis. Based on the poll this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

*Mayor Cromer is a member of the Transportation Policy Committee, there was no objection to him making this motion.

5. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Jeff Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on pages 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 Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Parish President Matt Jewell and seconded by Parish President Guy McInnis. Based on the poll this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

6. Consideration: Public Comment Period

The Chairwoman asked if there was any other public comment. There are no other public comments at this time.

7. Consideration: Other Matters

Parish President Robby Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Parish President Guy McInnis seconded and based on the poll the motion to adjourn the meeting is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.