

Minutes of the
REGION 9
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
Serving Rural Scott County and all of Muscatine County

Thursday, February 5, 2015 – 10:00 a.m.
Scott County Administrative Center
Sixth Floor Conference Room
600 West 4th Street
Davenport, Iowa

Technical Committee Members Present

Chris Ball	City Administrator, City of Wilton
Jon Burgstrom	County Engineer, Scott County
Dave Gobin	Community Development Director, City of Muscatine
Randy Hill	Public Works Director, City of Muscatine
Kristy Korpi	Transit Supervisor, City of Muscatine Transit
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation
Randy Zobrist	Executive Director, River Bend Transit, Inc.

Others Present

Sandra Frericks	Blue Grass Mayor Pro Tem
James Goodin	City of Blue Grass
Mike Janecek	City Engineer, Blue Grass
Angie Kersten	Assistant County Engineer, Scott County
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lindsay Whitson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the July 2, 2014 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Burgstrom moved to approve the minutes, and Mr. Ball seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as written by consensus.
2. Review of Draft Chapters for the 2040 Region 9 Long Range Transportation Plan. Ms. Whitson presented a brief overview of the remaining timeline that will be followed to complete the 2040 Region 9 Long Range Transportation Plan. She confirmed that the Committee members would have the remaining draft chapters prior to the next meeting held in April. At that time, Committee members will be able to provide feedback on all draft chapters.
3. Consideration of Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Candidate Projects and Programming of Projects for the FFY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Whitson presented a project description for each of the STP and TAP applications submitted this round. Projects are to be programmed through FFY2019. The presentation included a comparison of the amount of funds being

requested versus the amount of funds available for both programs. Provided below is a summary table that illustrates each project's description, scores provided by the Technical Committee, total project cost and federal share requested, and recommendations provided by the Technical Committee. Ms. Whitson shared the summary table with the Committee and individually discussed each project and its proposed recommendation. TAP project recommendations included all three TAP projects reducing their amount of funding requested by 10%, allowing all three projects to be fully funded at that amount. It was suggested that Blue Grass and Wilton be awarded their funds in FFY2015 and the City of Muscatine in FFY2019. Mr. Hill motioned to approve the TAP recommendations, and Mr. Burgstrom seconded the motion. The recommendation was approved as presented by consensus. In regards to programming the STP funds, the Technical Committee recommended that Blue Grass be awarded 50% of their total STP funds requested in FFY 2018, equating to \$694,343. Muscatine County would be awarded the additional funds that they requested in full, allowing them to receive \$926,508 in FFY2018. The remainder of the STP funds, \$1,549,946, would be awarded to the City of Muscatine to fund the Grandview Avenue Corridor project in FFY2019. The last recommendation was for River Bend Transit to not receive any of the additional funds that they requested to fund a total of three buses rather than one. The table provided below outlines the requests and recommendations for both the TAP and STP programs. Mr. Hill motioned to approve the STP recommendations stated above, and Mr. White seconded the motion. One Committee member opposed the STP recommendations as presented.

Project Location	Jurisdiction	Project Description	Score	Total Cost	Federal Share Requested	Federal Share Recommended by Technical Committee	Federal Fiscal Year
RPA9 STP/TAP Flex Funds							
G28 (High Prairie Road - Lutheran Homes)	Muscatine County	Reconstruction. Project awarded funds in FFY2017 with request for additional monies in this current round. (Prior award of \$967,458).	N/A; Project Ranked in Prior STP Round	\$2,367,458	\$926,508	\$926,508	2018
Bus Replacement - 1 vehicle.	River Bend Transit	Bus replacement. Project awarded funds in FFY2016 with request for additional monies in this current round. (Prior award of \$87,304, with original request of \$159,517 in STP funds).	N/A; Project Ranked in Prior STP Round	\$212,960	\$72,213	\$0	-
Grandview Avenue (Carver Corner Intersection, Mississippi Drive/Main/Hersey Ave, to US.61)	Muscatine	Reconstruction and enhancement of 2.2 miles on Grandview Avenue. Complete streets project with roadway reconstruction, lane reconfiguration, etc.	175	\$6,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$1,549,946	2019
* N. Mississippi Street/Y40 (Mayne St. - Laretta St.)	Blue Grass	Reconstruction. Remove and replace 0.5 miles of roadway.	144	\$1,388,685	\$1,110,948	\$694,343	2018
		Total		\$9,969,103	\$5,109,669	\$3,170,797	
RPA 9 TAP Funds							
* N. Mississippi Street/Y40 (Mayne St. - Laretta St.)	Blue Grass	Sidewalk removal and replacement, pedestrian ramps and other enhancements, street lighting. To serve existing elementary school.	400	\$284,389	\$227,511	\$204,760	2015
Westside Trail (Musser Park/Wiggins Road - Muscatine County's Discovery Park)	Muscatine	Construction of 1.8 mile trail segment connecting two parks and connection to existing southern trail route at Wiggins Road.	404	\$600,000	\$480,000	\$432,000	2019
Cypress & 5th Street (4th St to Summit St) and Intersection Crossing at Cypress & 5th Sts.	Wilton	Pedestrian crossing improvement with crossing signal at 5th and Cypress Streets. Remove easterly 4 foot sidewalk and replace with 5 foot sidewalk, ADA compliant. To serve new elementary school.	410	\$203,200	\$162,560	\$146,304	2015
		Total		\$1,087,589	\$870,071	\$783,064	

4. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
5. Other Business. All three representatives from Blue Grass expressed their gratitude for the Committee's STP and TAP recommendations made on behalf of Blue Grass.
6. Adjournment. Mr. Hill motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Ball seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

