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N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 21, 2007

4:00 - 6:00 PM

One Exchange Plaza
Room 809
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

- NCDOT BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT APPLICATIONS
- 2007-2008 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM
- 2007-2013 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND STP-DA ALLOCATION FOR BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN AND TRANSIT
- LONG RANGE REGIONAL TRANSIT VISION PLAN, SPECIAL TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS
- LEGISLATIVE AGENDA UPDATE
- RESPONSE FROM NCDOT TO CITY OF RALEIGH LETTER REGARDING EQUITY ALLOCATIONS - REQUEST FOR AUDIT OF NCDOT'S TIP EQUITY FORMULA METHODOLOGY AND PROCESS

THE CAPITAL AREA MPO VISION:

A multi-modal transportation network that is compatible with our growth, sensitive to the environment, improves quality of life and is accessible to all (2030 LRTP).

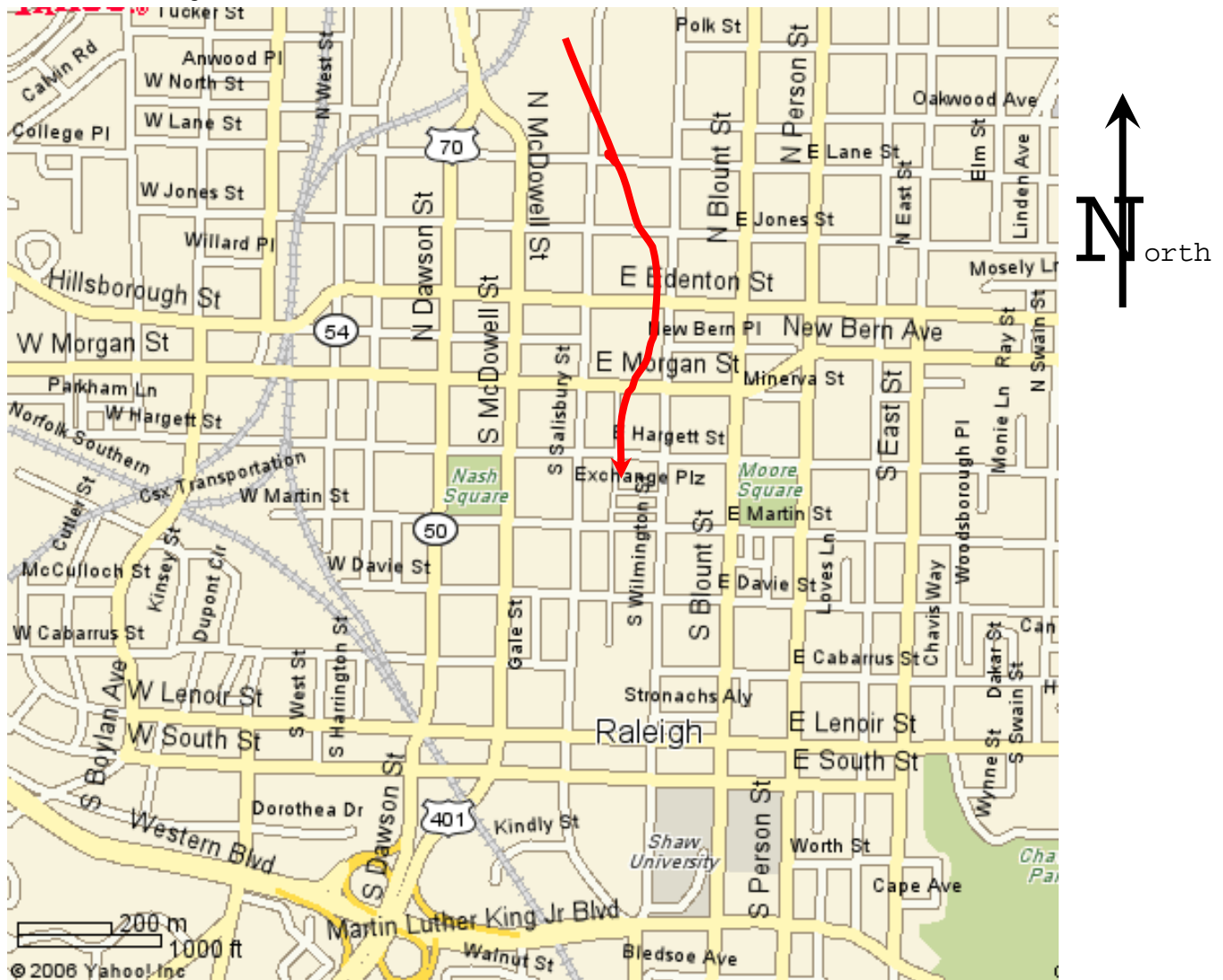
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Saunders North. Follow until you see Hargett St. Turn Right (East),
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**N.C. CAPITAL AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

February 21, 2007
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
City of Raleigh Annex - Room 809
One Exchange Plaza
(located on east side of 200 block of South Fayetteville Street)
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA

1. PRELIMINARIES
2. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for comments by those in attendance on items not on the agenda. Please limit comments to three minutes for each speaker.

CONSENT AGENDA

All items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and may be enacted by one motion. If a Councilor requests discussion on an item, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2007 TAC MEETING.

The minutes of the January 17, 2007 TAC meeting, are enclosed as [Attachment 4A](#).

TAC Action: Approval of the minutes of the January 17, 2007 TAC meeting.

5. NCDOT BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT APPLICATIONS

The NCDOT Divisions of Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation and the Transportation Planning Branch provide funding grants to municipalities throughout the state for bicycle and pedestrian projects. The funds for this program are from earmark funds specifically set aside for bicycle and pedestrian planning. Applications are submitted directly to NCDOT. Endorsement by the Capital Area MPO is required before NCDOT will consider these projects.

[Attachment 5A](#) provides an overview of applications submitted to NCDOT by Capital Area MPO members.

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TCC Action: Forwarded a recommendation of endorsement of applications for NCDOT Bicycle/Pedestrian Grants as submitted by member agencies.

TAC Action: Endorse applications for NCDOT Bicycle/Pedestrian Grants as submitted by member agencies.

6. 2007-2008 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

At the January 17, 2007 meeting, the TAC was presented with the schedule for development of the 2007-2008 UPWP. At that meeting, the TAC supported a study of the NC 50 corridor in Northern Wake County and Southern Granville County. The TCC, at its February 1, 2007 meeting held discussion on the development schedule and has forwarded to the TAC a request to preauthorize release of the 2007-2008 UPWP for public review and comment upon completion of draft document by staff and to set a public hearing date of March 21, 2007. This preauthorization of release will allow staff to open the public comment period prior to the next TAC meeting (March 21, 2007) and provide for a public hearing on the draft document to be conducted at that March meeting. The UPWP can then be adopted in April and forwarded to NCDOT in May 2007.

[Attachment 6A](#) is a schedule for development and adoption of the UPWP.

The Capital Area MPO annually conducts a self-certification review as part of approving its Unified Planning Work Program. The self-certification process takes the form of the Capital Area MPO TAC adopting a resolution that certifies that the MPO is fulfilling all federal requirements for the 3-C transportation planning processes. [Attachment 6B](#) contains a checklist of items reviewed during this process and copy of the draft resolution self-certifying the MPO is fulfilling all requirements for the transportation planning process as put forth by the Federal guidelines.

Copies of the released UPWP will be forwarded to TAC members for review at time of release for public comment.

TCC Recommendation: That the TAC preauthorize release of FY 2007-2008 UPWP for public review and comment upon staff completion of draft document and schedule a public hearing to be conducted at the TAC's March 21, 2007 meeting.

TAC Action: Receive information on 2007-2008 UPWP development schedule and self-certification, preauthorize release of UPWP document for 30 day public review and comment period and set hearing to receive public comment for March 21, 2007.

THIS IS THE END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

**7. FY 2007-2013 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP) -
PROPOSAL FOR STP-DA ALLOCATION FOR BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN/TRANSIT PROJECTS**

A meeting was held with NCDOT on January 11, 2007 to discuss the final version of the FY 2007-2013 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), scheduled to be approved by the NC Board of Transportation at its meeting on March 1, 2007. At that meeting, [Attachment 7A](#) was distributed outlining cost increases and project schedule changes made since release of the draft FY 2007-2013 STIP in August, 2006.

At the January 15, 2007 Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, discussion was held on the need to identify projects and distribute the \$750,000 annual allocation of Surface Transportation - Direct Attributable (STP-DA) funds that were identified in the approved FY 2006-2012 MTIP and draft FY 2007-2013 STIP as reserved for bicycle/pedestrian and transit projects. The TCC was directed to pursue a method of calling for projects and distributing funds for this annual allocation. Discussion on this issue was held at the February 8, 2007 TCC meeting and the following method of allocation was chosen for recommendation to the TAC.

[Attachment 7B](#) is a table showing the fund distribution scenario endorsed by the TCC. This table shows that 50 percent of the allocation (\$375,000) would be evenly distributed among member agencies. The local match would be determined by a sliding scale based on population. The remaining 50 percent would be awarded using a competitive process MPO-wide and would also be subject to the sliding scale match.

TCC Recommendation: That the TAC approve in principle the TCC's recommended method of fund distribution for the annual \$750,000 STP-DA allocation.

TAC Action: Endorse allocation process, as presented by TCC, for distribution of Annual STP-DA Bicycle/Pedestrian/Transit Allocation.

**8. LONG RANGE REGIONAL TRANSIT VISION PLAN -
SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

On August 18, 2006, the Triangle Transit Authority announced that its bid for federal New Starts Funding for Phase I of the Regional Rail project would not be pursued at this time. As discussed at the TAC's meeting on September 20, 2006, TTA's Board of Trustees requested that the MPOs (Capital Area and Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro) take the lead, through their respective LRTP processes, in setting regional priorities for public transit in the Triangle. The Board has also indicated a need for expanded public involvement in setting regional transit priorities.

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At the January 15, 2007 meeting the TAC endorsed appointing a joint MPO special advisory commission to develop a recommended regional long-range vision plan for major transit investments, the Capital Area MPO appointing 14 members and the DCHC MPO appointing 10 members with each MPO designating a Commission Co-Chair. A proposed charge to the commission is enclosed as [Attachment 8A](#).

An update including a recommended list of candidate members for the commission will be provided at this meeting.

TAC Action: Receive information for discussion and action as appropriate.

9. LEGISLATIVE AGENDA UPDATE

The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) adopted a legislative agenda for transportation funding initiatives on April 19, 2006. The legislative agenda was cooperatively created by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) and the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (DCHC) MPO, during a Joint Task Force meeting on March 31, 2006, to address the growing need for additional transportation funding in the Research Triangle region. The adopted legislative agenda is consistent with that of both the North Carolina Blue Ribbon Commission on Transportation Needs and the Triangle Regional Transportation Alliance.

[Attachment 9A](#) is a copy of the jointly adopted Legislative Agenda. [Attachment 9B](#) is a copy of the legislative agendas of the Triangle Regional Transportation Alliance and the NC League of Municipalities.

TAC Action: Discuss current legislative agenda and receive update on agendas of Triangle Regional Transportation Alliance and NC League of Municipalities.

10. RESPONSE FROM NCDOT TO CITY OF RALEIGH LETTER REGARDING EQUITY ALLOCATIONS - REQUEST FOR AUDIT OF NCDOT'S TIP EQUITY FORMULA METHODOLOGY AND PROCESS

The State Equity Formula for funding distribution has come under scrutiny as it fails to address congestion related needs, particularly in our state's metropolitan areas. The draft 2007-2013 STIP, reflects little change from the adopted 2006-2012 STIP with the exception that projects have been further delayed or revised in scope due to permitting and budgetary issues.

The City of Raleigh sent a letter to Secretary Tippetts requesting additional information on FY 2000-2006 Equity allocations and projects programmed in the

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Draft 2007-2013 STIP. The letter further requested a detailed list of Division 5 TIP project authorizations broken out by Fiscal year and County. [Attachment 10A](#) is the response received from NCDOT.

The City of Raleigh discussed this issue during its November 21, 2006 City Council meeting and directed City Attorneys to draft a resolution requesting the State Auditor to perform an audit of the current funding sources and distribution of funds by NCDOT. At its meeting on January 15, 2007, the TAC approved sending a similar resolution (enclosed as [Attachment 10B](#)) from the MPO making the same request, if the then pending response from NCDOT did not sufficiently address the TAC's expressed concerns. On Feb. 5, 2007, the Clayton Town Council also approved a similar resolution.

TAC Action: Review response from NCDOT and consider whether or not to submit on resolution to the State Auditor requesting a full audit of the STIP equity formula allocation methodology and process.

11. **REPORTS FROM THE TCC CHAIR**
Chip Russell, TCC Chair

12. **MPO STAFF REPORTS**
Ed Johnson, MPO Director

13. **NCDOT REPORTS**
Scott Walston/Rupal Desai - Transportation Planning Branch
Richard Greene - Division 4
Wally Bowman/Joey Hopkins - Division 5
Terry Gibson - Division 6

14. **OTHER BUSINESS AND PENDING ITEMS**

Adjourn

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

PENDING ITEMS

Item #01 - Comprehensive Transportation Plan (for Transit)-(Winter/Spring 2006/2007)

Item #02 - Capital Area MPO Organizational Structure - (Winter/Spring 2006/2007)

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Item #03 - Memorandum of Agreement with NC Turnpike Authority (Winter 2006/2007)

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

- March 1, 2007 - Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting
301 Hillsborough Building - 10:00 - Noon
- March 21, 2007 - Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting
Wake County Commons, 4011 Carya Drive, Raleigh
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

See attached list of meetings, dates and times, for TAC and TCC in 2007.

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