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N.C. Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 20, 2008

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Wake County Commons
4012 Carya Dr
Raleigh, NC

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

- ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2008
- 2007-2013 MTIP AMENDMENT - TRANSIT
- BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PLANNING APPLICATIONS
- INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR FINANCIAL PLANNING COMPONENT OF LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN
- JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE/NEW FREEDOM GRANT APPLICATION DOCUMENTS
- SHORT / MID-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN PROPOSAL

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).

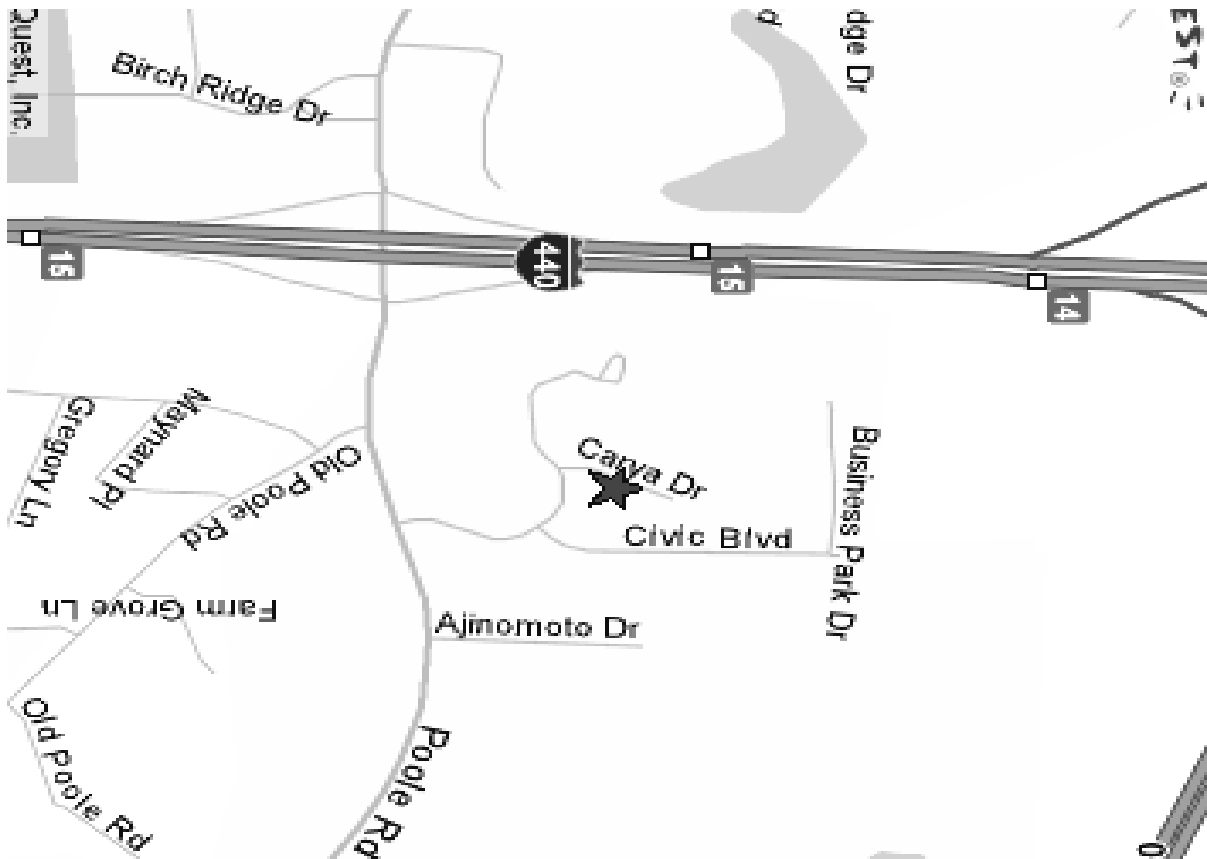
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**N.C. CAPITAL AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

February 20, 2008
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
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4012 Cary Dr
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.

4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2008

The By-laws of the Capital Area MPO specify that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be elected annually at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the calendar year. The newly elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall take office immediately following the election.

TAC Action: Receive nominations and elect Chair and Vice-Chair for 2008.

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.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2007 TAC MEETING.

The minutes of the December 19, 2007 TAC meeting, are enclosed as [Attachment 5A](#).

TAC ACTION: Approval of the minutes of the December 19, 2007 TAC meeting.

6. 2007-2013 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (MTIP)
AMENDMENT #2
Town of Cary - Public Transportation Program

Annually, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 revenues are allocated to the Town of Cary as part of the regional Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Raleigh, the Triangle Transit Authority and the Town of Cary. The allocation of 5307 funds increased above original projections and an amendment to the 2007-2008 MTIP and State Transportation Plans must be made to reflect the additional allocation. The Town of Cary

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therefore requests approval from the TAC of this Amendment (#2) to the Capital Area MPO 2007-2013 MTIP in order to recognize these additional federal funds and allow the full drawdown of all Town of Cary eligible FTA Section 5307 funds for FY2007-2008. The local share has also been increased to reflect the additional local funds dedicated to the Cary transit system. [Attachment 6A](#) is a copy of the proposed Amendment #2 to the Capital Area MPO 2007-2013 MTIP as requested by the Town of Cary and the accompanying resolution.

TAC ACTION: Approve Amendment #2 to the 2007-2013 MTIP to reflect increased Section 5307 funding to the Town of Cary from the FTA.

7. NCDOT BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT APPLICATIONS

The NCDOT Bicycle Pedestrian Transportation Division and Transportation Planning Branch provide grant funding totaling \$400,000 to municipalities throughout the state. The funds for this program come from earmark funds set aside for bicycle and pedestrian planning. Application are submitted directly to NCDOT however, MPO endorsement is required before submittals can be reviewed. The deadline for submittal for this year's program was December 3, 2007 and two applications were submitted from Capital Area MPO members. [Attachment 7A](#) provides a copy of the two applications submitted by MPO members. [Attachment 7B](#) is the required resolution of support. The Capital Area MPO TCC reviewed and recommended endorsement of the Grant applications and associated resolution at the January 3, 2008 meeting.

TAC Action: Endorse NCDOT bicycle and pedestrian planning grant applications from Capital Area MPO members.

8. INTER-LOCAL FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR FINANCIAL PLANNING COMPONENT OF LONG RANGE PLAN

Annually, the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) contains a line item for Transportation Planning under which funds are allocated to support the financial planning component of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro (DCHC) MPO in 2006 initiated a contract with the Louis Berger Group to perform revenue forecasts for use in development of the 2035 LRTP. In an effort to develop consistency in planning methods and documents, data collection, cost determination and reporting, among other items, the Capital Area MPO is proposing that an inter-local agreement be entered into with the DCHC MPO by which revenue forecasts can be developed for the Capital Area MPO as well. This will provide consistency in methodology.

TAC Action: Receive information on inter-local agreement between the Capital Area MPO and DCHC for discussion and action as appropriate

THIS IS THE END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

9. JOB ACCESS/REVERSE COMMUTE AND NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION - HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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With the passage of the federal transportation law, known as SAFETEA-LU, in 2005, projects receiving funding under the Job Access/Reverse Commute program or the New Freedom program must meet several requirements. In urbanized areas over 200,000 in population must have a "designated recipient" who is designated by the chief executive officer of the State, and the projects must be "derived from a locally developed, coordinated public transit - human services transportation plan." The law requires that this plan be "developed through a process that includes representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers and participation by the public." The "designated recipient" is responsible for conducting the competitive selection process for JARC funds, applying to FTA for funding, passing through funds to subrecipients, and monitoring subrecipient activities.

[Attachment 9A](#) is a letter to the North Carolina Department of Transportation from the Capital Area MPO appointing the City of Raleigh as the designated recipient of Section 5316 (Job Access Reverse Commute, JARC) and Section 5317 (New Freedom) funding. The Capital Area MPO and the City of Raleigh have taken the lead in developing a coordinated regional public transit-human services transportation plan (CPT-HSTP). They have worked in collaboration with the public transportation agencies and community transportation programs in the MPO's jurisdiction to respond to SAFETEA-LU requirements. The purpose of this plan is to help improve transportation services for persons with disabilities, older adults, and individuals with lower incomes in the Capital Area MPO area through a better coordinated transportation system.

[Attachment 9B](#) provides an overview of the plan and a copy of the application document and scoring criteria. The full document (83 pages) is available upon request and on the Capital Area MPO website (www.campo-nc.us). David Eatman of the Capital Area Transit will provide an overview of the program.

TAC Action: Receive information and endorse the Job Access/Reverse Commute and New Freedom program Coordinated Public Transportation - Human Services Transportation Plan for discussion and endorsement of City of Raleigh as Designated Recipient for funds.

10. SHORT/MID-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN PROPOSAL

One of the items discussed at the February 7, 2008 TCC Retreat was a proposal by Capital Area Transit to expand the scope of its upcoming study throughout the urban areas of Wake County. The proposal is a 10 to 15 year outlook of transit service for the area; and does not seek as a mission to take the place of currently existing or proposed plans noted for the region. Mr. David Eatman of Capital Area Transit will present the proposed Short and Mid-Range Transit Plan for input and discussion.

TAC Action: Receive information concerning Short/Mid-Range Transit Plan Proposal for review and action as appropriate.

11. CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY FUNDS

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At its December 19, 2007 meeting, the TAC was presented information on the status of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds and a proposal to use those funds that were available for the MPO. Following that meeting an update was provided by NCDOT which indicated that the MPO had programmed all of the funds allocated to it previously and that no new funds were available at this time. [Attachment 11A](#) is a CMAQ application submitted by Triangle J Council of Governments for funding of the Transportation Demand Management program services for the four year period from 2009-2012. [Attachment 11B](#) is a chart outlining the Proposed Triangle TDM Program Budget and Funding Partners (FY2008-2015).

At that same meeting, discussion was held on Surface Transportation Direct Allocation (STP-DA) funds and a proposal that would fully utilize the unobligated funds to:

- (1) establish a reserve for the MPO to utilize as it sees fit to fund operational improvements to enhance traffic safety and mitigate traffic congestion.
- (2) supplement the MPO operational budget to hire additional staff for the purpose of improving and expanding program services as has been discussed and agreed upon in principle at recent TAC and TCC strategic planning retreats.

With regard to the MPO operational budget supplement, the TCC held a retreat on February 7, 2008 at which time the additional staffing issue was discussed. Further information on the retreat will be presented to the TAC after refinement.

Discussion was held at the December 19, 2007 TAC meeting on the proposal to fund operational improvements to enhance traffic safety and mitigate traffic congestion. Mayor Meeker submitted a memo in which he requested answers to several questions. Those questions were:

1. Are there any restrictions on using these funds for operating purposes for public transportation (i.e. building a fixed guideway system or operating a bus system)?
2. When would public transportation requests need to be submitted so they could be funded at the start of the 2009 fiscal year?

TAC Action: Receive information on STP-DA and CMAQ funding for discussion and action as appropriate.

12. SPECIAL TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Special Transit Advisory Commission (STAC) has continued to meet in order to complete the charge given it by the TACs of the two MPOs. An update on the STAC will be provided at the meeting.

TAC Action: Receive update on STAC for action as appropriate.

12. REPORTS FROM THE TCC CHAIR

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Chip Russell, TCC Chair

13. **MPO STAFF REPORTS**
Ed Johnson, MPO Director
14. **NCDOT REPORTS**
Scott Walston/Rupal Desai - Transportation Planning Branch
Richard Greene - Division 4
Wally Bowman/Joey Hopkins - Division 5
Terry Gibson - Division 6
15. **OTHER BUSINESS AND PENDING ITEMS**

Adjourn

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

PENDING ITEMS

Item #01 - Comprehensive Transportation Plan (Spring/Summer 2008)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

March 6, 2008 - Capital Area MPO TCC Meeting - 10:00 am - Noon
Room 809 - One Exchange Plaza, Raleigh, NC

March 19, 2008- Capital Area MPO TAC Meeting
Wake County Commons - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
4012 Carya Drive, Raleigh, NC

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