



AGENDA
COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CAMPO)
POLICY BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2016 AT 1:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
123 WASHINGTON STREET
COLUMBUS, INDIANA

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the August 8, 2016 Meeting

REPORTS

- B. Project Update – City / County Engineers
- C. MPO Director's Report

OLD BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

None

NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

- D. Resolution 2016-7 – Amend current TIP with new and modified projects
- E. Response to Proposed Rulemaking for MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform (Docket# FHWA-2016-0016)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CAMPO)
POLICY BOARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016 at 1:30 P.M.
CAL BRAND MEETING HALL, CITY HALL
123 WASHINGTON STREET
COLUMBUS, INDIANA

Members Present: Dennis Baute, Zack Ellison, Bill Lentz, and Robin Bolte (Proxy for Jim Ude, INDOT)

Non-voting Members Present: Antonio Johnson

Members Absent: Rick Flohr, Dascal Bunch, Jim Lienhoop; Michelle Allen, FHWA; Emmanuel Nsonwu, INDOT; Jeanette Wilson, INDOT

Staff Present: Laura Thayer, Planning Department; Danny Hollander, Bartholomew County Engineer; and Alex Whitted, CAMPO Attorney

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 7, 2016 could not be approved, as only three members were present who had attended that meeting.

REPORTS

County Engineer: Mr. Hollander gave updates on the People Trail project for the old Newbern Bridge, and the Rocky Ford Road project.

CAMPO Director: Ms. Thayer gave a report on recent CAMPO activities including progress on the Long-Range Transportation Plan Update. Mr. Lentz asked if the Policy Board might consider having two public meetings, rather than one, related to adoption of the plan. After some discussion, the board decided to bring this matter up again after a draft of the plan becomes available for review. Mr. Ellison suggested that, for the benefit of the public, staff prepare an executive summary of the plan for distribution to local media outlets prior to its consideration by the board.

OLD BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

None

NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Resolution 2016-06: Ms. Thayer presented two amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Technical Committee reviewed the amendments at their meeting of July 27, and recommended approval.

Mr. Baute moved that the amendments be added to the TIP. Mr. Lentz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Thayer reported on the Emergency Amendment (Resolution 2016-05), which was approved by the Policy Board through the process defined in CAMPO's bylaws on July 14, 2016.

There was a discussion about the proposed FHWA/FTA rule for Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform. The board members agreed that Ms. Thayer would draft a letter requesting an extension of the comment period for the rule, for consideration of the board. It was noted that the comment period ends on August 26.

ADJOURNMENT: 2:15 p.m.

Zack Ellison, Chair

Dennis Baute, Vice-chair

RESOLUTION 2016-07

RESOLUTION TO AMEND NEW AND EXISTING INDOT PROJECTS INTO THE SFY 2016-2019 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

WHEREAS, the Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization the City of Columbus and Bartholomew County; and

WHEREAS, development of the annual TIP, listing all federally funded and regionally significant transportation projects is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, INDOT has specific maintenance and improvement projects on their state-owned facilities which are in the CAMPO planning area (Bartholomew County) and thus must be in the TIP if federal funds are to be expended on these projects, and

WHEREAS, the TIP is developed by the staff of CAMPO for the Policy Board, and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Technical Committee, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the CAMPO Policy Board that the projects listed on the attachment to this resolution be amended in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for SFY 2016-2019:

Adopted this 22nd day of August, 2016

Zack Ellison, Chair

Laura Thayer, CAMPO Director

CAMPO TIP Amendment
 Attachment to Resolution 2016-07
 August 22, 2016

Project	DES#	Work Type	Location	Program	Funding	Phase	Federal	Match	2017	Total	Reason for Amendment
I-65	1601191	Asphalt Patching	US 50 to SR 58	IM	INDOT	CN	\$900,000	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	CN increase of \$500,000
Parkside/Richards	0810448	SRTS	Along Par 3 at Richards/ East side of Parkside	SRTS	INDOT	CE	0	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	Add CE phase to TIP



MEMORANDUM

TO: CAMPO Policy Board
FROM: Laura Thayer
DATE: August 22, 2016
RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for MPO Coordination and Planning Area Reform
(Docket# FHWA-2016-0016)

As we discussed at our last meeting, FHWA & FTA have issued a proposed rule that is likely to impact CAMPO and other MPOs around the country if it is adopted. Among possibilities are that CAMPO's planning area could be extended, or that it could become part of the Indianapolis MPO (IMPO). It appears that, in either case, CAMPO and IMPO would be required to develop unified plans. The comment period for the rule ends on August 26 (unless it is extended).

At the board's request, I drafted a letter requesting an extension of the comment period, to allow more time to determine the potential impact on CAMPO. Although the draft letter does not include comments specifically in favor or against the rule, it does have a paragraph that lists some of the benefits of transportation planning at our current geography.

At our meeting, it would be appropriate to have a discussion about how you want to comment on the proposed rule, and whether you'd like to make changes to the draft letter. Alex Whitted recommends that there be a vote on any action you decide to take.

The online docket has complete information on the proposed rule, including comments that other organizations and individuals have posted. This information may be found at:

<https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=FHWA-2016-0016>.



August XX, 2016

Gregory G. Nadeau
Administrator, FHWA

Carolyn Flowers
Acting Administrator, FTA

RE: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform (Docket No. FHWA-2016-0016)

Dear Administrator Nadeau and Acting Administrator Flowers:

The Columbus Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Policy Board respectfully requests that the comment period for *Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform* be extended from 60 to 180 days to allow adequate time for review of the rule, and to prepare a more detailed response.

We agree that coordination is an essential component of the transportation planning process. CAMPO is a member of the Indiana MPO Council, founded in 1984, which meets monthly with state and federal partners to ensure such an approach in Indiana. As we are already taking a coordinated approach to transportation planning, we have concerns about the potential negative consequences of the proposed rule, which would restructure several MPOs in the state, including CAMPO.

CAMPO would be impacted by the rule, as currently proposed, since part of our urbanized area (UZA) is in the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) of the Indianapolis MPO (IMPO). Should CAMPO's boundary be revised to encompass our entire UZA, the two MPAs would overlap. As described by the rule, this situation could require CAMPO and IMPO to merge, or minimally, to develop joint planning products.

CAMPO is currently part of the City of Columbus-Bartholomew County Planning Department. Over the years, we have developed relationships with our local partners and the public. Among the many ways that CAMPO serves the community are providing opportunities for users of all transportation modes to participate in the transportation planning process, supporting the integration of land use and transportation planning, providing technical assistance to local partners, and coordinating with other MPOs and state and federal partners to ensure safe and efficient transportation in our region.

CAMPO's MPA represents Bartholomew County, which is a market and employment center in Southern Indiana. It is not clear how a merger with the much larger Indianapolis MPO would alter a process that has been working well for CAMPO since it was designated in 2004. As such, we feel that it is important for us to spend more time analyzing the impact of potential changes before we can complete our comments.

Sincerely,

Zack Ellison
CAMPO Policy Board Chair



MEMORANDUM

TO: CAMPO Policy Board
FROM: Laura Thayer
DATE: August 11, 2016
RE: Administrative Modifications

The following administrative modification has been made to the CAMPO TIP. Administrative modifications are minor changes to projects that are already in the TIP, as allowed by CAMPO bylaws (see box, below). Administrative Modifications can be made by CAMPO staff without formal approval from the CAMPO Policy Board.

INDOT project, DES# 1500553: SR 58, Scour Protection (Erosion). The total PE funding for this project phase decreased from \$25,000 to \$15,200, and was moved from FY2016 to FY2017.

5.1 Thresholds for Amendments & Administrative Modifications

The following are CAMPO's criteria for Amendments; changes that do not meet these criteria are considered Administrative Modifications.

- A. Major change in project cost:** A change of 20% or more in the total listed cost, but not less than: \$100,000 for a local project, and \$500,000 for an INDOT project.
- B. Major change in project date:** A change of more than 1 year.
- C. Major change in funding source:** When the change increases the local match (due to a change in match percentage) by more than: \$50,000 for local projects, and \$250,000 for INDOT projects.



MEMORANDUM

TO: CAMPO Policy Board
FROM: Laura Thayer
DATE: August 17, 2016
RE: Administrative Modification

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INDOT project, DES# 1500608: SR 46, HMA Overlay, Preventive Maintenance. PE funding of \$60,000 was added for FY2017.

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