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MINUTES

Grand Valley Metropolitan Council
Transportation Division
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, June 7th, 2006
KENT COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

The meeting was called to order by Dooley, Chair, at 9:34 a.m.

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Voting Members Present

Bill Dooley (Chair)	City of Wyoming
Roger Belknap <i>Proxy for Steve Warren</i>	KCRC
Bob Bore <i>Proxy for Bill Cole</i>	City of Grand Rapids
Patrick Bush	City of Grand Rapids
Ron Carr	City of Grandville
Scott Conners	City of Walker
Ken Feldt	City of East Grand Rapids
Dave Groenleer <i>Proxy for Gary Voogt</i>	Ada Township
Tim Haagsma	Gaines Township
Wayne Harrall	Kent County
Sandra Cornell-Howe	MDOT
Dick Johnston	City of Rockford
Ken Klomparens	GRFIA
Bob Rinck	Ottawa County
Terry Schweitzer	City of Kentwood
Conrad Venema <i>Proxy for Jim Fetzer</i>	The Rapid

Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present

Patti Brink	GVMC Staff
Andrea Dewey	GVMC Staff
Chris Dingman	GVMC Staff
Cindy Durrenberger	FHWA
Abed Itani	GVMC Staff
Dennis Kent	MDOT-Grand Region
Darrell Robinson	GVMC Staff
Norm Sevensma	RWBC- WMEAC

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Jim Snell
Don Stypula
George Yang

Voting Members Not Present

James Beelen
Mike Berrevoets
Marta Brechting
Bryan Chodkowski
Bill Cole
Dan DesJarden
Mike DeVries
Jim Fetzer
John Gorney
William Holland
Jim McIntyre
Gerald Mears
George Meek
Jim Miedema
Audrey Nevins
Tom Palarz
Steve Peterson
Robert Swenson
Gary Voogt
Steve Warren (*Vice-Chair*)
Bill Wiersma

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Allendale Township
City of Cedar Springs (FTCH)
Alpine Township
Village of Sparta
City of Grand Rapids
City of Lowell
Grand Rapids Township
The Rapid
City of Hudsonville
Georgetown Township
Courtland Township
City of Wyoming
Plainfield Township
Jamestown Township
Byron Township
OCRC
Cascade Charter Township
Cannon Township
Ada Township
KCRC
Tallmadge Township

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dooley entertained a motion to approve the April 5th, 2006 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes.

MOTION by Rinck, SUPPORT by Haagsma, to approve the April 5th, 006 Technical Committee Meeting Minutes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Sevensma commented on a pedestrian safety seminar which he recently attended.

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IV. FY2006-2008 TIP AMENDMENT

Referring to **Item IV: Attachment A** in the Agenda, Dingman discussed MDOT's request to amend the FY2006 TIP to reflect increases/decreases to the Trunkline and Local GPA (General Program Accounts) which are currently in the TIP. Discussion and comments followed.

Dooley entertained a motion to amend the FY2006-2008 TIP to reflect MDOT's changes.

MOTION by Schweitzer, SUPPORT by Rinck, to recommend to the Policy Committee approval of amending the FY2006-2008 TIP to reflect MDOT's changes to the Trunkline and General Program Accounts. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. PARTICIPATION PLAN

Dingman discussed with the committee changes which have been incorporated in the Participation Plan. He noted that the changes include all public comments that were gathered through the notification process, and can be located in Appendix A of the document. As he discussed public comments received he noted staff's efforts to address, incorporate and accommodate them in the body of the Plan. He described how Staff will use this plan to guide all participation activities through the transportation planning process. Discussion and comments followed.

Dooley entertained a motion to recommend approval of the changes made to the Participation Plan.

MOTION by Johnston, SUPPORT by Bush, to recommend to the Policy Committee approval of the changes made to the Participation Plan. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. OZONE ACTION! PROGRAM

Dewey updated the committee on the FY2006 Ozone Action! Season's activities. Discussion and comments followed.

VII. PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM DATA COLLECTION

Snell distributed a hand-out depicting sections in the region which have been surveyed by the Pavement Management System Van. Discussion followed. He noted that an asset management exercise will be conducted in Gaines Township.

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As he continued to update the committee on data collection, he noted that complete data will be available late summer or early fall. Discussion followed.

Itani identified some challenges/issues that Staff has encountered in this effort. He noted that problems should be resolved shortly, and reminded the members that this technology is new and there is still a learning curve. He noted that we have 3 months to accept or reject the Van, however anticipates that operations will be running smoothly.

Schweitzer inquired as to specific problems that are being encountered with the data gathering. Snell commented that the necessary data is being retrieved at this time. Bush requested that Staff publish an updated schedule for data collection. Discussion followed. Kent requested that as trunk line data is gathered that it be provided to the Region as well. Itani noted that every jurisdiction in the region and MDOT will be provided with the data. He added that all data gathered by the van will be available on REGIS. Discussion, comments and questions followed.

VIII: LOCAL JOBS TODAY PROGRAM

Referring to **Item VIII: Attachment A** in the Agenda, Dingman discussed the application criteria for the Local Jobs Today Program. He noted that any 2007 STP Urban or Rural TIP project that is ready to go is eligible for being advanced and built in 2006. Any FY2008 STP Urban or Rural TIP project is eligible to be considered to be advanced constructed in FY2007. Projects in the 2006 year of the TIP as well as CMAQ and EDF-C projects are not eligible. Discussion followed. Schweitzer discussed procedural issues and challenges of meeting deadlines. Cornell-Howe clarified MPO procedure with regard to advance construct and obligation authority. Itani recommended submitting all projects that qualify. Discussion, comments and questions followed.

IX: MDOT'S 5-YEAR 2007-2011 PROGRAM

Kent updated the committee on the progress of MDOT's 5 Year 2007-2011 Program. As he addressed specific projects beyond 2010, he stated that an additional update will be provided at the next Technical Committee meeting. Discussion followed.

X: OTHER BUSINESS

Robinson informed the committee of a meeting scheduled on June 28th for those interested in PASER training. Discussion followed.

Dingman distributed an update of the status of local projects in the STP-Urban, EDF-Category C, and CMAQ programs of the TIP for 2006. He requested updates

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on projects that are shown as not obligated. Cornell-Howe cautioned the members that obligation will run out in July and dollars will be lost. Itani requested clarification/specifics as to the reason(s) for the delay on obligated projects. Discussion, comments and questions followed.

Dingman discussed the upcoming 2006 MTPA/MAR Conference which will take place on July 17-21st. He noted that the registration packet is on the web site, and provided hard copies as well. Itani noted that the MPO will not be able to fund registration costs for GVMC members.

Kent noted that there are 2 State Long Range Plan forums. The first is on June 27, 2006 at Grand Rapids Township Hall. On August 8th a more general public forum is scheduled.

Itani updated the committee on some internal staffing/operational changes that have been made in the Transportation Department to accommodate SAFETY-LU's emphasis on the Congestion Management Program.

Durrenberger discussed the FHWA and FTA Certification Review scheduled for July 12th, and 13th. She also noted that a Public Listening Session will take place on the evening of July 11th.

Schweizer inquired as to the effect that re designation to attainment/maintenance would have on CMAQ funding and programming. Itani noted that the call for projects will be out in July or August, and that the process to start programming CMAQ projects will start this month. Discussion followed.

XI: ADJOURNMENT

Dooley adjourned the Technical Committee Meeting at 10:34 a.m.