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November 17, 2011

Secretary Eugene A. Conti, Jr.
North Carolina Department of Transportation
Attention: Mike Bruff, PE
1554 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1554

Dear Secretary Conti:

SUBJECT: Mecklenburg-Union Transportation Improvement Program
TIP Amendment: I-3311C

Please find enclosed ten copies of the amendment resolution for the FY 2012-2018 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program dated July 20, 2011. The amendment was for TIP project I-3311C to program funds for Planning and Environmental Study only. The Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization adopted the amendment to the Program on November 16, 2011.

Sincerely:

Ted Biggers
Chairman
Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization

cc: John Collett, Board of Transportation, w/enclosure
Miriam Perry, Public Transportation Division, w/enclosure
Kumar Trivedi, PE, Division of Bicycle & Pedestrian Transportation, w/enclosure
Calvin Leggett, PE, Program Development Branch, w/enclosure
Jamal Alavi, PE, Transportation Planning Branch, w/enclosure
Anil Panicker, Transportation Planning Branch, w/enclosure

RESOLUTION
ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MECKLENBURG-UNION URBAN AREA
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR
FY 2012-FY 2018

A motion was made by David Howard and seconded by Sarah McAulay for the adoption of the resolution and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MUMPO) has reviewed the current FY 2012-FY 2018 Transportation Improvement Program and found the need to amend it; and

WHEREAS, the following amendment to the North Carolina Transportation Improvement has been proposed:

- TIP Project I-3311C: Program for Planning & Environmental Study

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee voted to recommend that the MPO approve the TIP amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organization finds that the proposed amendment conforms to the purpose of the North Carolina State Implementation Plan for maintaining the National Ambient Air Quality Standards in accordance with 40 CFR 51 and 93; and

WHEREAS, the 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan has a planning horizon year of 2035, and meets all the requirements in 23 CFR 450.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization that the FY 2012-FY 2018 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program for the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area be amended as listed above on this the 16th day of November, 2011.

I, Ted Biggers, Chairman of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, duly held on this the 16th day of November, 2011.



Ted Biggers, Chairman



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TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO Delegates & Alternates
FROM: Robert W. Cook, AICP
MUMPO Secretary
DATE: November 10, 2011
SUBJECT: **November 2011 MPO Meeting**
Wednesday, November 16, 2011

The November 2011 meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MUMPO) is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2011. The education session will begin at 6:00 PM and the meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. The education session and the meeting will both take place in Room 267 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 E. Fourth St., Charlotte.

Education Session

The education session's subject will be the NC Statewide Transportation Plan. The Plan is at a key point in its development and your participation in the discussion is highly encouraged. A light meal will be provided.

The MPO agenda and related material are attached to this memorandum. Please contact me at 704-336-8643 if you have any questions.

HOW TO ACCESS THE MEETING LOCATION

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center is located at 600 E. Fourth St. (corner of Fourth and Davidson streets) in uptown Charlotte. Parking is available in the Government Center parking deck located on Davidson St. between Third and Fourth streets; on-street parking is also available.

Enter the Government Center on the Davidson St. side through the ground-level door located to the right of the large staircase. (This is a handicapped accessible entrance.) Use the call box located next to the door to contact security staff. Inform them you are attending the MUMPO meeting. Once inside the building, security staff will assist you to the 2nd floor.

Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization

November 16, 2011

Room 267-Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center

6:00 PM Education Session

Topic: North Carolina Statewide Transportation Plan

Presenters: Tyler Bray, NCDOT

7:00 PM Meeting Agenda

1. **Call to Order** Ted Biggers
2. **Approval of Minutes** Ted Biggers
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve September 2011 meeting minutes as presented.
3. **Citizen Comment Period**
4. **NCDOT Prioritization 2.0** Nicholas Polimeni
 - a. **Project Rank & Points Allocation Endorsement**
ACTION REQUESTED: Endorse the local input points/ranks, as listed in the attached memorandum, for P2.0 Highway, Bicycle & Pedestrian and Transit projects.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO endorse the proposed project rankings and the proposed allocation of points.

BACKGROUND: NCDOT has released the quantitative scores for the P2.0 highway, bicycle & pedestrian, and transit projects. Staff has been working with subcommittees of the TCC to determine local input points/ranks for these project modes.

ATTACHMENT: Memorandum.
 - b. **CMAQ Projects**
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The MPO endorsed a list of CMAQ projects at the September meeting for funding in FY 2016 and 2017 to be submitted to NCDOT in October. Those projects were submitted to NCDOT. Centralina COG has been contracted to lead a process to develop additional CMAQ projects.
5. **I-485 & I-77 Project Updates** Barry Moose
 - a. **I-485 Widening, I-77 to Johnston Road**
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The scope of this project may be expanded from the addition of one lane in each direction from I-77 to Johnston Road, to two lanes in each direction. In addition, one lane in each direction may be added between Johnston Road and the Rea Road interchange. This will require LRTP and TIP amendments, along with an air quality conformity determination.

b. I-77 High Occupancy Toll Lanes

ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: The 2035 LRTP and 2012-2018 TIP both include a project (I-5405) to convert the existing I-77 HOV lanes to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes and to extend them to exit 28. The project's scope may be expanded to include two HOT lanes in each direction, and to extend them south to 5th St. and on to the Brookshire Freeway. If the scope is expanded, amendments to the LRTP and TIP, along with an air quality conformity determination, will be needed for two TIP projects: I-3311C and I-5405.

c. I-3311C TIP Amendment

Robert Cook

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend TIP to:

- i. include TIP project I-3311C in FY 2012 of the TIP for Planning and Environmental Study; and*
- ii. change the project description from "I-77, 5th St. to I-85, HOV Lanes," to "5th St. to north of I-85, construct HOT lanes and convert HOV lanes to HOT lanes. I-277 (Brookshire Freeway), I-77 to N. College St., construct HOT lanes."*

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the TIP as requested.

BACKGROUND: I-3311C is currently listed in the TIP as an Unfunded project to implement HOV lanes on I-77 from 5th St. to I-85. The requested amendment will allow funds to be expended on the analysis of HOT lanes project.

6. Matthews Roundabout TIP Amendment

Ralph Messera

ACTION REQUESTED: Add the proposed project to the TIP for Planning and Environmental Study.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the TIP as requested.

BACKGROUND: NCDOT and the Town of Matthews were awarded a grant to construct a roundabout at the intersection of NC 51 and Matthews-Mint Hill Road. The action will program funds for Planning and Environmental Study purposes only.

7. General Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments

Robert Cook

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the TIP.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the TIP as requested.

BACKGROUND: The proposed amendments are a series of minor changes to the TIP. Past practice was to wait until adoption of a new TIP to show changes of the type shown on the attached list. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is now requiring that MPOs adopt these types of amendments at the same time the Board of Transportation amends the state TIP.

ATTACHMENT: Project list.

8. Northwest Huntersville Transportation Study

Bill Coxe

ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the Thoroughfare Plan to show Option 3 as the proposed realignment of NC 73.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the Thoroughfare Plan as requested.

BACKGROUND: The MPO endorsed Option 3 “in concept” at the September meeting with the acknowledgement that minor revisions would be needed. The only revision to the alignment involves a slight southerly shift off a stream that runs west of Beatties Ford Road. The requested action will formally amend the Thoroughfare Plan. [Click here](#) for a map and more information about this project.

- 9. Eastfield Road/I-485 Development Proposal** Stuart Basham
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the start of a public involvement effort.

BACKGROUND: Gandy Development proposes to develop approximately 75 acres along Eastfield Road near the NC 115 interchange with I-485. As part of this project, the developer has proposed to realign the western end of Eastfield Road through the project area.

- 10. Prosperity Church Road Extension Thoroughfare Plan Amendment** Robert Cook
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: Update on this project’s status. A public meeting was held on Thursday, November 3.

- 11. FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program Update** Robert Cook
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI

BACKGROUND: Update on the status of the FY 2012 UPWP.

- 12. Adjourn**

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