

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FAYETTEVILLE AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

ROBERT "BOB" MIARER
CHAIRMAN

Agenda
8:30 a.m. – July 6, 2011
Hearing Room No. 3
Historic Courthouse - 130 Gillespie Street

JOSEPH GUY
VICE-CHAIRMAN

1. Roll call
2. Approval of today's agenda
 - **ACTION:** Approval
3. Approval of the minutes of the January 5 and April 6, 2011 regular meetings
 - **ACTION:** Approval
4. 2011 Vehicle Occupancy Rate (VOR) Approval: Bobby McCormick
 - **ACTION:** Approve and recommend TAC approval
5. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Scope Update: Mark Nottingham
 - **ACTION:** Information
6. Raeford Road/Bunce Road Project Updates: Mike Rutan
 - **ACTION:** Information
7. Cameron Road (U-4706) Project Update: Will Linville
 - **ACTION:** Information
8. Southwestern FAMPO Multi-Modal Congestion Management Study Update: Will Linville
 - **ACTION:** Information
9. Census 2010 Transportation Analysis Zone (TAZ) Delineation Update: Maurizia Chapman
 - **ACTION:** Information
10. Little Cross Creek Greenway Update: Rick Heicksen
 - **ACTION:** Information
11. SPOT 2.0 Schedule Update: Mike Rutan
 - **ACTION:** Information
12. Fayetteville Advisory Committee on Transit (FACT) Update: Jeff Thompson /Mike Rutan
 - **ACTION:** Information
13. 2040 Plan Update: Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT
 - **ACTION:** Information
14. Discussion
 - Citizens Advisory Committee Membership: Maurizia Chapman
15. Adjournment

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Minutes

Regular Meeting

8:30 a.m. – July 6, 2011

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Members Present

Mr. Joseph Guy, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Edwin Deaver
Ms. Glenda Dye
Ms. Diane Grumelot
Mr. Pate Hodges
Mr. Chip Modlin
Ms. Pamela Presser
Ms. Mindy Love-Stanley
Ms. Vernoine Young
Mr. Barry Wyche, Jr.

Others Present

Mr. Rick Heicksen, FAMPO Executive Director
Ms. Maurizia Chapman, FAMPO Staff
Mr. Will Linville, FAMPO Staff
Mr. Mark Nottingham, FAMPO Staff
Mr. Michael Rutan, FAMPO Staff
Mr. Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT

1. Roll Call

Vice-Chairman Guy called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

2. Approval of Agenda

Vice-Chairman Guy requested a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Deaver made the motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Modlin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

3. Approval of the minutes of the January 5 and April 6, 2011 regular meetings.

Vice-Chairman Guy requested a motion to approve the January 5 and April 6, 2011 regular meetings. Ms. Love-Stanley made the motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Dye seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

4. 2011 Vehicle Occupancy Rate (VOR) Approval: Bobby McCormick

Mr. McCormick briefly explained to the Committee how the VOR process was carried out, and highlighted some of the findings of the report. He stated that there was no significant change in carpooling from the previous year.

Mr. Modlin asked Mr. McCormick how the VOR is applied to the planning process, and who can use it. Mr. McCormick offered examples as to who can use VOR rates and how they benefit people and organizations. Mr. Modlin then made the motion to approve the 2011 Vehicle Occupancy Rate Report and recommend TAC approval. Mr. Deaver seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

5. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Scope Update: Mark Nottingham

Mr. Nottingham gave an overview of what defines ITS and the types of technology that can be used in transportation planning and design that are considered ITS. Some examples listed were Dynamic Message signs and electronic fare boxes. He went on to state that ITS greatly reduces delay and increases safety along the road network.

Mr. Nottingham then explained that the most recent ITS document is from 2000, and that all ITS projects in the future will need to be in this plan to receive Federal funding. He stated that the timeline for completion of this project is around one year, and NCDOT will pay 75 percent of the total cost of the plan, with FAMPO providing the remaining 25 percent.

6. Raeford Road/Bunce Road Project Updates: Mike Rutan

Mr. Rutan gave an overview of the Raeford Road and Bunce Road projects, and updated the Committee on progress and potential delays of those two projects.

7. Cameron Road (U-4706) Project Update: Will Linville

Mr. Linville presented the Committee with an update on the progress of the Cameron Road project. He informed those in attendance that the project is a .3 mile segment starting at its intersection with Legion Road and ending at Main Street (NC 59). He went on to add that there are three options for the cross-section of Cameron Road, but it is expected to be designed to mirror the same cross-section for the Legion Road project. That project calls for a four-lane divided roadway with wide outside lanes and sidewalks on both sides, and restricted access to School Street. He stated that the tentative timeline for ROW acquisition would occur in early 2012 and construction to begin late 2013.

Vice-Chairman Guy asked about the possible design of the intersection of Cameron and Legion Roads, with his main concern being the school children that walk to school from neighboring communities. Mr. Linville stated that a possible intersection design would be similar to the intersection planned at Skibo and Raeford Roads, but that nothing had been finalized.

8. Southwestern FAMPO Multi-Modal Congestion Management Study Update: Will Linville

Mr. Linville gave an overview of the proposed Southwest Multi-Modal Congestion Management Study for the southwestern portion of Cumberland County and portions of eastern Hoke County. He described its purpose and explained the reasoning behind the current study area boundary. Mr. Linville explained that the majority of the study area had been defined by using Fort Bragg Regional Alliance's Sub Regional Traffic Model completed by Wilbur Smith and Associates.

9. Census 2010 Transportation Analysis Zone (TAZ) Delineation Update: Maurizia Chapman

Ms. Chapman made the Committee aware that the TAZ delineation had been completed recently by her and Mike Rutan, and that they were submitted to the Census Bureau on June 14, 2011. She added that FAMPO is now waiting for acceptance by the Census Bureau. She stated that once the TAZ's are accepted, FAMPO's Population and Economic Study will be completed soon thereafter.

10. Little Cross Creek Greenway Update: Rick Heicksen

Mr. Heicksen updated the Committee on the progress of the Little Cross Creek Greenway. He stated that PWC approached him to see if FAMPO had considered Big Cross Creek as a viable option instead of the Little Cross Creek alternative. He added that after this conversation, team members from PWC and FAMPO staff surveyed the area on foot to see if the Big Cross Creek was, in fact, a feasible alternative.

Mr. Heicksen then stated that sewer easement data would be acquired from PWC and the City of Fayetteville and that that information would be used to help the consultant, PWC, and FAMPO make a list of pros and cons for the two alternatives. It was stated that the biggest advantage of using Big Cross Creek is that it would connect to Fort Bragg and the Smith Lake Recreation Area.

11. SPOT 2.0 Schedule Update: Mike Rutan

Mr. Rutan refreshed the Committee on the SPOT process and informed them that July 29, 2011 is the deadline to submit new projects. He encouraged the Committee to send their ideas for new projects to him no later than June 20, 2011.

12. Fayetteville Advisory Committee on Transit (FACT) Update: Mike Rutan

Mr. Rutan outlined the meeting schedule for FACT and business items from their most recent meetings. He informed the Committee that FAST has extended the hours of service for 4 of its most heavily used routes and also extended the length for one route. This has increased the budget for FAST by 300,000 dollars.

Ms. Presser asked Mr. Rutan when the route changes would take place. He informed her that he expects the changes to take place next month. Mr. Modlin asked about any potential fare increases, and Mr. Rutan responded that there was no immediate fare changes expected.

13. 2040 Plan Update: Darius Sturdivant, NCDOT

Mr. Sturdivant briefly provided an overview of the 2040 Statewide Transportation Plan and that it is an update to the plan approved in 2004. Additionally, he informed the Committee that a more detailed presentation will be held at the upcoming TCC and TAC meetings by the Project Manager, Tyler Bray. He made an open invitation to any CAC members to attend those meetings for more information.

14. Discussion:

- Citizens Advisory Committee Membership; Maurizia Chapman

Ms. Chapman talked briefly about the CAC membership and the need for more members. She stated that the CAC currently has eleven members, which is the minimum amount outlined in the Bylaws. She also made the Committee aware that 6 of the current 11 members' terms are expiring in December of this year and asked to have decisions on appointments/reappointments by the October, 2011 meeting so that they may be presented to the TAC for approval.

She also asked current committee members to think about possible volunteers, specifically in the rail and freight industry, and to submit their information to her as soon as possible.

- Other Discussion

Mr. Heicksen briefly addressed the Committee on the Murchison Road project (U-4444) and informed them that the Army released funds to help complete that project. He also spoke on the plans for the Spring Lake Bridge that will cross over NC 87 at Ramsey Street, and that leaders there were very happy with the plans.

15. Adjournment:

There being no further business, at 9:20 am, Vice-Chairman Guy adjourned the meeting.