

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### FAYETTEVILLE AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

COMMISSIONER TIM MCNEILL  
CHAIR

COMMISSIONER JEAN POWELL  
VICE-CHAIR

#### Agenda

8:30 a.m. – April 25, 2012

Hearing Room No. 3

Historic Courthouse - 130 Gillespie Street

1. Roll call
2. Approval of today's agenda  
**ACTION: Approval**
3. Approval of the minutes of the January 25, 2012 regular meetings  
**ACTION: Approval**
4. 2012- 2013 Meeting Schedule: Rick Heicksen  
**ACTION: Approve Meeting Schedule**
5. TITLE VI and Limited English Proficiency Policies: Bobby McCormick  
**ACTION: Adopt Policies by Resolution- CAC and TCC recommend approval**
6. Public Involvement Plan Update: Mike Rutan  
**ACTION: Adopt Plan Update by Resolution - CAC and TCC recommend approval**
7. Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program: Maurizia Chapman  
**ACTION: Approve Amendment No 2 by Resolution – CAC and TCC recommend approval**
8. FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program: Michael Rutan  
**ACTION: Approve FY 2013 UPWP and Planning Process Certification by Resolutions**
9. FY 2012 JARC/New Freedom Projects selection: Maurizia Chapman  
**ACTION: Approve JARC/NF Projects as submitted - CAC and TCC recommend approval**
10. FY 2012-2018 MTIP Amendment NO. 3 for JARC/New Freedom funds: Maurizia Chapman  
**ACTION: Approve FY 2012-2018 MTIP Amendment - CAC and TCC recommend approval**
11. **Updates/Informational Items:**
  - a. ITS Regional Infrastructure Plan update: Bruce Eisenhart, ConSysTec
  - b. Fayetteville Area MPO Orientation: Jill Stark, Federal Highway Administration
  - c. New Urbanized Area Boundary: Maurizia Chapman
  - d. Comprehensive Transportation Plan Update: Darius Sturdivant
  - e. Southwestern FAMPO Multi-Modal Congestion Management Plan update: Will Linville
  - f. 2040 Population and Economic Study update: Mark Nottingham
  - g. Air Quality update: Mark Nottingham
12. Discussion
13. Adjournment

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#### **Minutes**

#### **Regular Meeting**

8:30 a.m. – April 25, 2012

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#### **Members Present**

Ms. Jean Powell, TAC Vice-Chair, Commissioner, Hoke County  
Mr. Ed Grannis, NC Board of Transportation  
Mr. Richard Higgins, Alderman, Town of Spring Lake  
Mr. Bobby Hurst, Councilman, City of Fayetteville  
Mr. Ed Melvin, Commissioner, Cumberland County  
Mr. Steve Smith, Directorate of Public Works, Ft. Bragg  
Ms. Jill Stark, Federal Highway Administration  
Ms. Jackie Warner, Mayor, Town of Hope Mills

#### **Others Present**

Mr. Rick Heicksen, FAMPO Executive Director  
Mr. John Baker, ConSysTec, Inc.  
Mr. Greg Burns, P.E., NCDOT Division 6  
Ms. Lora Byala, AICP, Foursquare ITP  
Mr. Jim Caldwell, Director, Mid-Carolina Council of Governments  
Ms. Brenda Cameron, Citizen  
Mr. Rudolph Cardenas, AIA, Fayetteville State University  
Ms. Maurizia Chapman, AICP, FAMPO Staff  
Mr. Bruce Eisenhart, ConSysTec, Inc.  
Ms. Cheryl Evans, NCDOT  
Mr. Joseph Guy, Chairman, FAMPO Citizens Advisory Committee  
Mr. George Hatcher, FAMPO Citizen Advisory Committee  
Mr. Randy Hume, Director, F.A.S.T.  
Ms. Karen Hilton, AICP, City of Fayetteville  
Mr. Lee Jernigan, P.E., City of Fayetteville, Traffic Services Division  
Mr. Will Linville, FAMPO Staff  
Mr. Bobby McCormick, FAMPO Staff  
Mr. Lee Neal, E.I., NCDOT  
Mr. Mark Nottingham, FAMPO Staff  
Mr. Michael Rutan, FAMPO Staff  
Mr. Tim Shea, Directorate of Public Works, Fort Bragg  
Mr. Rusty Thompson, P.E., Director of Engineering and Infrastructure, City of Fayetteville  
Mr. Darius Sturdivant, MPO Coordinator, NCDOT Transportation Planning Branch

## **1. Roll Call**

TAC Vice-Chair Powell called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

## **2. Approval of Agenda**

Vice-Chair Powell requested a motion to approve the agenda. A motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Mr. Higgins, and seconded by Ms. Warner. The motion passed unanimously.

## **3. Approval of the Minutes of the January 26, 2011 regular meetings**

Vice-Chair Powell requested a motion to approve the January 25, 2012 minutes. Mr. Higgins made the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith, which passed unanimously.

## **4. 2012-2013 Meeting Schedule: Rick Heicksen**

Mr. Heicksen presented the Committee with the proposed TAC meeting dates through 2013.

With there being no objections to those dates, a motion was made by Mr. Melvin to approve the 2012-2013 meeting schedule. Ms. Warner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## **5. Title VI and Limited English Proficiency Policies: Bobby McCormick**

Mr. McCormick informed the Committee that they received the policies in their meeting packets and that the Title VI and LEP policies were recommended for approval by the CAC and TCC. He requested that TAC approve the Policies by Resolution.

Vice-Chair Powell asked the Committee for a motion to approve by Resolution the Title VI and Limited English Proficiency Policies. A motion was made by Mr. Grannis, and Ms. Warner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## **6. Public Involvement Plan Update: Mike Rutan**

Mr. Rutan explained that this update is to the Public Involvement Plan completed in 2007 and included recommendations made by the Federal Highway Administration requiring advertising to include Title VI and LEP policies. CAC and TCC approved the Plan update and recommend TAC approval.

A motion was made by Mr. Higgins to approve by Resolution the Public Involvement Plan update. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## **7. Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program: Maurizia Chapman**

Ms. Chapman briefly explained the need for Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2012 Unified Planning Work Program. She explained that some funds needed to shift from task codes to other task codes in order to be able to continue work on projects such as the Population and Economic Study update. Also, the Special Studies task code would be reduced by \$400,000 in order to have those funds available for FY 2013.

A motion was made by Ms. Warner to approve by Resolution Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2012 UPWP. Mr. Hurst seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**8. FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program: Michael Rutan**

Mr. Rutan gave an overview of the proposed Unified Planning Work Program for FY 2013, stating that it identifies the accomplishments made in FY 2012 and those to be completed in FY 2013. He also stated that \$100,000 of the Special Studies Task Code will be allocated for a Downtown Circulation Study for the Town of Hope Mills. He then explained the Planning Process Certification (3 C's).

Mr. Heicksen then stated that because of the expansion of the Urbanized Area recently released by the Census Bureau, a \$50,000 pass through subsidy using PL104f funds will be made available to fund a new position within the City of Fayetteville's Traffic Services division. This position will work closely with FAMPO and NCDOT. CAC and TCC approved the Draft FY 2013 UPWP and recommend TAC approval.

Mr. Grannis made a motion to approve by resolution the FY 2013 Unified Planning Work Program and recommend TAC approval. Mr. Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Hurst then made a motion to approve by resolution the Planning Process Certification. Mr. Smith Seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**9. FY 2012 JARC/New Freedom Projects Selection: Maurizia Chapman**

Ms. Chapman informed the committee that she received one application from the Fayetteville Area System of Transit for the JARC program and that there were two competing projects for the New Freedom funds, which required the formation of a sub-committee comprised of members of the CAC and TCC. The City of Fayetteville would use that money to add sidewalks to help connect the existing network, while the Fayetteville Area System of Transit would put the funds towards operating ADA Paratransit. The sub-committee agreed that both projects had merit but, due to funding restrictions, recommended that the FAST project receive New Freedom funds, however FAST decided that it would rescind its application this year and resubmit during next year's call for projects. This means that the money (around \$95,000) can now be used to fund the sidewalks proposed by the City of Fayetteville.

These additions will occur along Cliffdale Road between Skibo Road and Waters Edge Drive, and Reilly Road and Jeffrey Drive, connecting the sidewalk network to bus stops.

Mr. Hurst made a motion to approve the FY 2012 JARC/NF Projects Selection as submitted. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**10. FY 2012-2018 MTIP Amendment No. 3 for JARC/New Freedom funds: Maurizia Chapman**

Ms. Chapman explained to the Committee that this Amendment is necessary to reflect the two FY 2012 JARC/NF projects just approved by the TAC.

Mr. Grannis made a motion to approve by Resolution Amendment No. 3 to the FY 2012-2018 MTIP. Mr. Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**11. Updates/Informational Items**

**a. ITS Regional Infrastructure Plan Update: Bruce Eisenhart, ConSysTec**

Mr. Eisenhart updated the committee on progress made to date, on the Intelligent Transportation Systems Strategic Deployment Plan update for the FAMPO region. He informed the TAC of the

stakeholders and steering committee that have been involved with this plan update. Ms. Byala reviewed the goals and objectives that were decided upon by the steering and stakeholder committees. Mr. Eisenhart also outlined the next steps in the plan update and briefly explained how the outcomes of this plan will help maximize our investments in transportation infrastructure and improve the efficiency of our transportation network.

Vice-Chairman Powell offered her assistance in coordinating with Hoke County officials if needed.

**b. Fayetteville Area MPO Orientation: Jill Stark, Federal Highway Administration**

Ms. Stark presented a brief overview on the role of MPOs and FAMPO's three advisory committees. She explained the new urban areas, transportation management areas and stated that the United States Census Bureau delineates these boundaries, making them indisputable. She then went over the responsibilities of FAMPO's committees, stressing the importance of excusing oneself from discussion if one of the items provides a conflict of interest for any board member.

Vice-Chairman Powell asked Ms. Stark about the process to formally include the new towns into the MPO boundary. Ms. Stark responded by stating that FAMPO will draft MOUs/MOAs with each of the new municipalities in the near future.

**c. New Urbanized Area Boundary: Maurizia Chapman**

Ms. Chapman informed the Committee that on March 27 the United States Census Bureau released the new Urban Area Boundaries based on 2010 Census data. This release included all Urbanized Areas and Urban Clusters. FAMPO will also draft a new Memorandum Of Understanding and bylaws to include the new jurisdictions as defined in the UZA.

She then referred to the map showing where the Urban Area boundary has been extended west to Raeford, NC and south to Parkton, NC. She also pointed out that Spout Springs is its own Urban Cluster and, despite being so close to the Fayetteville's UZA, has not been added because the separation does not meet the standards of a "jump" as set by the Federal Government. The new Metropolitan Planning Area will probably include the Spout Springs Cluster, as the MPO is required to plan for areas that will become urbanized in the next twenty years. The Fayetteville Urbanized Area has grown in population from 276,368 persons in 2000 to 310,282 persons in 2010.

Vice-Chair Powell asked for a timeline on when the boundary updates will be completed. Ms. Chapman said she expected those changes to be finalized in late 2012.

**d. Comprehensive Transportation Plan Update: Darius Sturdivant**

Mr. Sturdivant updated the Committee on the progress of the Comprehensive Transportation Plan. He stated that he is still working on the draft and that it should be completed in July. Mr. Sturdivant added that the final plans should be presented in October for approval.

**e. Southwestern FAMPO Multi-Modal Congestion Management Plan Update: Will Linville**

Mr. Linville gave an update regarding the progress on the Multi-Modal Congestion Management Plan. He explained that the plan was still in its infancy, but CDM Smith held the first Steering Committee meeting and attended the Hokee Pokee Festival at East Hoke Middle School, as well as the Hope Mills Recreation Fields and the Fayetteville Dogwood Festival, to gather public

input. Mr. Linville then asked the Committee to visit the website [www.congestionplan.com](http://www.congestionplan.com) to complete a survey developed for this study by the consultant.

**f. 2040 Population and Economic Study Update: Mark Nottingham**

Mr. Nottingham provided the Committee with an update on the progress of the 2040 Population and Economic Study. He referred to the document provided to them, and explained that it discussed the methodology behind the numbers that were captured. He then informed the Committee that the Draft will be available for their review in July and the Final document will be presented for approval in October.

**g. Air Quality Update: Mark Nottingham**

Mr. Nottingham informed the TAC that the month of May is Air Quality Awareness month, and explained that FAMPO was promoting carpooling through interviews and articles in the Fayetteville Observer in an effort to reduce ground level ozone.

He also updated the Committee on the Air Quality Poster Contest, in which FAMPO received a total of 816 posters from students in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The awards ceremony for the winning posters to be featured in next year's calendar will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup> at the Sustainable Sandhills office.

Other upcoming dates include the Asthma Action Fair at the Health Plex on May 12<sup>th</sup> as well as Asthma Day Camp at J.P. Riddle Stadium on June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**12. Discussion**

Ms. Cameron wished to inform the Committee and FAMPO about the upcoming Cape Fear River Assembly meeting at the Blockade Runner, May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> 2012. She stated that she feels FAMPO should be a member of the Cape Fear River Assembly because of the impact road projects have on the Cape Fear River basin.

Mr. Heicksen stated that FAMPO was aware of the meeting, but would be unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts.

Mr. Heicksen provided additional information on the proposed Congestion Management/Circulation Study (similar to the ones completed for Raeford Road, Murchison Road and Spring Lake) in Downtown Hope Mills. Around \$100,000 will be allocated to the study to be performed in the area in the near future. He also reviewed the recent Cumberland County Transportation Summit held at the Cape Fear Botanical Gardens and provided each Committee member with a handout of what was presented and discussed there.

**13. Adjournment**

With there being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.