

H A T S
Coordinating Committee Meeting
Capital Area Transit
Dick Miller Board Room, 2nd Floor
Meeting # 196
January 22, 2010, 9:00 AM

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The January 2010 HATS Coordinating Committee meeting began at 9:00 AM. Representative Keller welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked members, staff, and guests to introduce themselves.

1. Attendance

Members and guests present are noted on the attached attendance sheet.

2. Election of Officers

Mr. Szyborski led the meeting during the election of officers.

- #196-1: Commissioner Rovegno nominated Mr. Keller to the position of chairman. Mr. Memmi seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.
- #196-2: Mr. Memmi nominated Mr. Haste to vice chair, and Mr. Rovegno to secretary. Mr. Hoffer seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

3. Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the December 4, 2009 Coordinating Committee meeting were reviewed.

- #196-3: Commissioner Rovegno moved to accept the minutes as submitted; Mr. Memmi seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

The minutes from the January Technical Committee meeting were available for informational purposes.

4. Endorsement of CAT Service Study

Mr. Kmiecinski presented the conclusions from the CAT Service Study, noting that there are two additional alternatives included since the last time the study was presented: (1) an expanded maintenance facility, and (2) allocating one half of HATS's CMAQ funding allowance to CAT.

Mr. Bugaile noted that the study did not address CAT service to the fastest growing area of Dauphin County — West Hanover, East Hanover, and South Hanover — and stated that he would like the study updated to address those areas.

Mr. Rovegno suggested that Mr. Bugaile work with HATS staff to amend the study.

- #196-4: Mr. Bugaile moved to endorse the study following its amendment to address CAT service to West Hanover, East Hanover, and South Hanover. Mr. Hoffer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

4a. Organizing for America request for Corridor One engineering feasibility study

Mr. Bill Schneider and Ms. Tanya Wagner, both Hampden Township residents, gave brief presentations requesting that HATS support an engineering feasibility study for Corridor One in Cumberland County. They stated that the study should consider both bus and rail alternatives, but stressed that busses get stuck in the same traffic that affect cars, while rail does not. They noted that concerned citizens are forming a non-profit organization to help address the issues associated with congestion, rail, and bus transit in Cumberland County.

Mr. Szymborski explained the technical committee's recommendation: the coordinating committee should not take action until the signatories of the Lemoyne Connector Agreement (March 2006) deem this study in compliance with that agreement.

Mr. Rovegno stated that Cumberland County is preparing for a public forum on the issue to be held March 24th. Invited to the forum are local, state, and federal legislators, and representatives from HATS, FTA, CAT, PennDOT. Mr. Rovegno then distributed maps showing the proposed Corridor One rail line and noted its location in an industrial area, which he stated would make using the rail more difficult.

Mr. Keller tabled the request to endorse the feasibility study until the next meeting.

5. Draft 2009 HATS Annual Report

Mr. Sundara presented the draft 2009 HATS Annual Report for review and asked committee members to send comments to him by February 5th.

- #196-5: Mr. Turner moved to approve the draft as final, contingent on HATS staff addressing any comments. Mr. Rovegno seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. TIP Modifications

A. Amendments

Mr. Panko presented an amendment to add \$41K to the Harrisburg School Crosswalks project from the enhancement reserve line item to accommodate 13 additional crossings and four additional curb cuts.

- #196-6: Mr. Memmi moved to approve the amendment; Mr. Hoffer seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Administrative Actions

Mr. Panko presented 14 administrative actions on nine projects. Please see the meeting handout for details of the administrative actions on the current TIP.

7. TIP Update

Mr. Panko presented a summary of the draft 2011-2014 highway and bridge portion of the TIP. It was developed using estimated state and federal funds of approximately \$228 M over the four year timeframe (approximately \$57 M per year). The carry-over projects from the previous TIP were identified and added to the draft. New projects were added to the TIP through continuous consultation with HATS staff.

Ms. Myers-Krug stated that HATS staff identified two signal corridors, both on the Carlisle Pike, for signal timing projects on the draft TIP. The other corridors under consideration will be analyzed as part of the regional transportation plan.

Mr. Sloand said PennDOT is working on candidate projects for Act 44 funds if Interstate 80 is tolled.

Mr. Memmi noted that if some projects are not let on time, approximately \$15 M assigned to other projects on the draft TIP will be needed to cover projects on the current TIP.

Mr. Memmi then said that the Lemoyne Connector project's absence from the draft TIP is at odds with HATS's assertion that the project is the top priority. Mr. Keller said everyone needs to be mindful of that project and that HATS continues to work with PennDOT, Norfolk Southern, CAT, and FTP.

Ms. Myers-Krug stated that until the approximately \$7 M gap in funding can be closed, the project cannot be programmed because federal regulations require projects to be fully funded through construction prior to being placed on the TIP.

Mr. Panko presented information on the proposed ITS maintenance agreement. The draft TIP has \$125,000 of CMAQ funding set aside for operations and maintenance of the ITS system. Mr. Szymborski asked how the funding levels were determined for each of the planning partners in District 8-0. Mr. Ferguson replied that funding was determined on a per-device cost basis with the number of cameras in each MPO or RPO region determining the total cost.

Mr. Panko presented the interstate maintenance portion of the TIP, which has two resurfacing projects.

Mr. Hoffer presented the transit portion of the TIP, which maintains a 78%/22% CAT and PennDOT split of federal category 5307 funds. Mr. Hoffer anticipates amending the TIP in the future to cover bus purchases and a new maintenance facility project.

8. Status Reports

PennDOT

- Mr. Ferguson reported that the 15/581 project is on schedule.

FHWA (Mr. Crum)

- There is no new news on the next surface transportation reauthorization bill. The decision on tolling I-80 will be made soon.

CAT (Mr. Hoffer)

- CAT will be adding an additional morning and afternoon rush hour round trip between Harrisburg and Hershey starting on January 18, 2010.

Commuter Services (Mr. Saffle)

- Commuter Services is in the process of cleaning up its database of members. It is also working on the RFQ for a regional transit study.

HATS Staff

- Mr. Kmiecinski presented draft comments from HATS on the Pennsylvania Intercity Passenger and Freight Rail Plan for committee approval.
 - #196-7: Mr. Memmi moved to approve the comments; Mr. Rovegno seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Air Quality conformity update — Mr. Sundara informed the committee that EPA is requiring new modeling software. MPOs have two years to switch over to the new software. Additionally Cumberland County and Dauphin County will be in non-attainment for PM2.5 and 8-hour ozone.
- RGMP — TCRPC staff have completed both a baseline residential build-out and a commercial build-out using sophisticated GIS modeling software. The steering committee is revisiting the growth areas and staff is updating the water and sewer service areas. A public round table discussion on growth management will be held on March 9th at HACC's Wildwood Conference Center.
- MPO-related. PennDOT wants HATS to host the next planning partners meeting in Grantville this year.

9. Other Business

Mr. Rovegno is working to put together a series of workshops on cross-jurisdictional emergency response.

10. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned by declaration.

11. Attendance

Name	Affiliation
Coordinating Committee Members Present	
Coordinating Committee Officers	
Representative Mark Keller, Chairman	Perry County
Commissioner Jeff Haste, Vice Chairman	Not present
Commissioner Rick Rovegno, Secretary	Cumberland County
Coordinating Committee Members	
Jim Turner	Perry County
David Spaulding	Susquehanna Area Regional Airport Authority
Michael Gossert	Cumberland County
Eric Bugaile	Dauphin County
Skip Memmi	Dauphin County
Candace H. Stowell, AICP	City of Harrisburg
Jon Crum	FHWA
Tucker Ferguson	PennDOT District 8-0
James Turner	Perry County
Jim Hoffer	Capital Area Transit
Other Attendees	
Jim Szymborski, AICP	HATS /TCRPC Executive Director
Tim Reardon, AICP	HATS/ TCRPC Associate Director
Diane Myers-Krug, AICP	HATS Planning Staff
Drew Ames	HATS Planning Staff
Mike Kmiecinski	HATS Planning Staff
Al Sundara, AICP	HATS Planning Staff
Dennis Sloand	PennDOT District 8-0
Walt Panko	PennDOT Office of Planning
Jim Arey	PennDOT Office of Planning
Terry Adams	Michael Baker Inc.
Joe Link	Parsons Brinckerhoff
Bill Peterson	Center for Community Building, Inc.
Pat Herrigan	Representative Ron Marsico's Office
Tom Helm	Harrisburg Bicycle Club
Daniel Flint	Lower Allen Township
Drew Lyons	Rep. Sheryl Delozier's Office
Sean Saffle	Commuter Services of PA
Britney Boyd	PennDOT
Bill Schneider	Hampden Township Resident
Tanya Wager	Hampden Township Resident
Steve Naylor	Perry County Commissioner
Jason Yakelis	Delta Development Corp.