

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

August 17, 2023

A Transportation Coordinating Committee meeting of the Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission was held on **Thursday, August 17, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.** in the Commission office located at 130 West North Street, Lima, Ohio.

A quorum being present, Doug Post brought the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and proceeded with introductions and the roll call.

1. ROLL CALL

Howard Elstro	City of Lima
Doug Post	Amanda Township
Karen Garland	RTA
Ian Kohli	City of Lima
Lawrence Hall, virtual	FHWA
Beth Seibert	Allen County
Tanner Inkrott	ODOT District 1
Tom Tebben, virtual	City of Lima
Brad Baxter	Bath Township
Anthony Hill, virtual	ODOT
Mitch Kingsley	Village of Bluffton

GUEST

STAFF

Cody Doyle	Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Shaunna Basinger	Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Tara Reynolds Bales	Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission
Marlene Schumaker	Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission

2. APPROVAL OF TCC MINUTES – July 27, 2023

Motion 33 (8-17-23) TCC

Beth Seibert motioned that the TCC minutes of July 27, 2023, be approved. Seconded by Ian Kohli, the motion carried.

3. RTA UPDATE

The garage expansion project has yet to break ground, Ms. Garland reported an estimated start of early next week. Trolley services will be available for shuttle services at the Allen County Fair for four nights.

Motion 34 (8-17-23) TCC

Tanner Inkrott motioned to accept the RTA report. Seconded by Beth Seibert, the motion carried.

4. FINAL LRTP & UPWP ADOPTION

Mr. Doyle began by thanking the committee for meeting a week early to avoid Allen County Fair conflicts and to meet the LRTP submission deadline. Mr. Doyle went on to state that the TAC meeting had not been moved forward and that there would be no accompanying Transportation Advisory Committee recommendation of approval as has generally been done in the past. However, staff members referenced the pertinent bylaws and the LACRPC Public Participation Plan and Mr. Doyle reported that a recommendation is not required, therefore the adoption of the LRTP can continue barring any committee questions or objections. Hearing none, Mr. Doyle stated that the plan has been available for public comment for over a month has completed all the required public participation, and is largely unchanged from the last DRAFT LRTP that this committee was presented.

Motion 35 (8-17-23) TCC

Howard Elstro motioned to accept the FINAL 2045 LRTP. Seconded by Karen Garland, the motion carried.

Ms. Schumaker spoke on the FY23 UPWP stating that all tables have been updated as well as the Completion Report completed. LACRPC staff completed their full plan of work under budget and on time.

Motion 36 (8-17-23) TCC

Howard Elstro motioned to approve the FY2023 Completion Report. Seconded by Beth Seibert, the motion carried.

Ms. Schumaker shared that there is \$212,000 to add to STP funds for FY2024 and \$317,000 to add to consolidated planning funds. These are budgeted amounts, not cash. Reimbursement will not take place until after the services are rendered and ODOT is invoiced.

At the end of July, LACRPC had \$40,000 in the black- without the loan of 100,000 from the county. ODOT is allowing this agency to back bill through July 2022. Mr. Elstro asked for clarification on the status of the loan from the county. Ms. Schumaker stated that it is not repaid but hopes repayment will take place by the first part of September. Ms. Schumaker also stated that in total, with the monies received from ODOT for 2024, LACRPC has access to pull down funds amounting to approx. \$700,000. Ms. Schumaker went on to state that if the agency were to spend that level of federal and state funds in one year, it would increase the intensity and cost of the audit. This is to be expected as it is standard in audit and allowance has been made in the budget.

Mr. Elstro shared his thanks to Ms. Schumaker for her tremendous work. Mr. Elstro also encourages Ms. Schumaker and Ms. Reynolds Bales to review good procedures and ensure they are in place and others are created if need be.

Motion 37 (8-17-23) TCC

Ian Kohli motioned to submit the FY24 UPWP with adjusted budget tables. Seconded by Beth Seibert, the motion carried.

Motion 38 (8-17-23) TCC

Beth Seibert motioned to approve Resolution: Affirmation of the Lima/Allen County Regional Planning Commission Qualitative Conformity Analysis/Determination. Seconded by Mitch Kingsley, the motion carried.

Motion 39 (8-17-23) TCC

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Mitch Kingsley motioned to approve Resolution: of Self-Certification of Metropolitan Planning Process Certification. Seconded by Howard Elstro, the motion carried.

Motion 40 (8-17-23) TCC

Brad Baxter motioned to approve Resolution: Approval of the 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan Update Inclusive of Appendices & Resolutions. Seconded by Beth Seibert, the motion carried.

5. OTHER

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion 32 (7-27-2023) TCC

Beth Seibert motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Brad Baxter; motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 p.m.