



**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES
June 24, 2022 – 12:00 p.m.
Rock Hill Operations Center – Room 132**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Gettys; Gwynn Savage; Jim Reno; Tom Audette; Kathy Pender; Bill Harris; Scot Shirley; Wes Climer (P) and Joel Hamilton (P).

ADMINISTRATIVE / TECHNICAL / MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT:

Berry Mattox (SCDOT); Mark Pleasant (FHWA); David Gamble (SCDOT); Rob Ruth (City of Rock Hill); Penelope Karagounis (Town of Fort Mill); Chris Herrmann (City of Rock Hill); Shane Parris (City of Tega Cay); Jimmy Bagley (City of Rock Hill); Allison Love (SCDOT); Amy Britz (City of Rock Hill); Brent Rewis (SCDOT); Joe Sturn (SCDOT); and David Hooper (RFATS).

CITIZENS / VISITORS PRESENT: John Marks (Herald); Frank Myers (CAC); and Tyler Cupp (WRHI).

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- a. **Welcome** – Chair Gettys called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. and welcomed all in attendance.
- b. **Citizen Comment Period** – No comments were made at this time.

2. REVIEW / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Gettys asked if there were any changes, deletions, or comments to the minutes of the April 22nd, 2022 meeting. Mr. Gettys then made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; this was seconded by Ms. Savage and the motion was unanimously approved.

3. REPORTS:

a. **SCDOT Project Status Report** – Mr. Mattox provided a targeted summary of notable project activity; specifically, the installation of a major component of the new interchange at Exit 81; the continuing nature of ROW discussions at the US 521 / Marvin Road intersection improvement effort as well as an overview of the cost increase on preliminary engineering for the Tega Cay trail project. Discussion briefly followed regarding the macro-economic environment and impacts to project implementation activity.

Mr. Rewis then provided an overview of additional funding provided to the agency and intended uses across the transportation network. Discussion then followed whether any element of the additional funding was expected to be recurring, and Mr. Rewis stated that one component in the amount of \$120 M was expected to be continued in subsequent years.

4. PROPOSED POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS:

a. **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)** – Mr. Hooper summarized a new federal grant program known as the Safe Streets and Roads for All or SS4A, which provides funding opportunities for planning agencies to develop comprehensive safety action plans and associated work to strengthen the safety and utility of the transportation network for all users of the system (i.e., pedestrians; bicyclists; transit

services; as well as SOV drivers, etc). Mr. Hooper then noted that the Technical Committee has discussed this program and is recommending the development of an application for submission later this year. Mr. Hooper then asked for the Policy Committee's support for pursuing this planning objective. Mr. Gettys noted that the sense of the Policy Committee is indeed in support of this activity, and to proceed.

b. FY 22-23 UPWP – Mr. Hooper briefly noted principal work items slated for FY 22-23, and then requested final approval. Mr. Gettys then made a motion to approve; seconded by Ms. Savage and the motion was unanimously approved.

c. FY 22-23 TAP & CMAQ Programs – Mr. Hooper briefly reviewed the FY 22-23 TAP & CMAQ project applications that received preliminary approval at the last meeting; noted that no public comments have been received and requested final approval and authorization to submit to SCDOT for processing. Mr. Gettys then made a motion for approval; second by Mr. Audette and the motion was unanimously approved.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Administrative Report – Mr. Hooper briefly reviewed the Administrative Report.

b. Next Meeting – Mr. Gettys noted that the next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2022.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Gettys and seconded by Ms. Savage; the motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 12:52 P.M.