



**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING  
SUMMARY MINUTES  
September 23, 2022 – 12:00 p.m.  
Rock Hill Operations Center – Room 132**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Gettys; Gwynn Savage; Jim Reno (P); Brian Carnes; Tom Audette; Kathy Pender (P); Bill Harris; Gary Simrill and Joel Hamilton.

**ADMINISTRATIVE / TECHNICAL / MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT:**

Berry Mattox (SCDOT); Chris Stevens (York County); Rob Ruth (City of Rock Hill); Vic Edwards (SCDOT); Penelope Karagounis (Town of Fort Mill); Josh Meetze (SCDOT); Chris Herrmann (City of Rock Hill); Patrick Hamilton (York County); Jimmy Bagley (City of Rock Hill); Michael Moore (York County); Steve Allen (CRCOG); Amy Britz (City of Rock Hill); Jim Walden (SCDOT); and David Hooper (REATS).

**CITIZENS / VISITORS PRESENT:** John Marks (Herald); Kenneth Johnson; Cleopatra Allen (CAC); David Kearns (HDR); Frank Myers (CAC); Tyler Cupp (WRHI); Luther Dasher (CAC); Frieda Price (CAC); Carl Manns (CAC); Jim Van Blar Com (CAC); Liz Duda (Tega Cay); Tim Popella; and Scot Sibert (WSP).

**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 June 24th, 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 Pennies for Progress Report** – Mr. Hamilton briefly summarized the latest information on key projects (i.e., Pole Branch Road; Galleria Blvd), outlining scheduling and funding variables; and then asked if there were any questions on these or any other projects.
- b. **Land Use Sub-Committee Progress Report** – Mr. Hooper provided background information the formation of the subcommittee (i.e., concurrent work activity; enhanced jurisdiction coordination, etc); and then transition into briefly summarizing initial areas of focus that the subcommittee has identified for further effort. In particular, it was noted that local regulation consistency and adoption specifically targeted at transit supportive land uses; bicycle / pedestrian requirements; and application of collector roads warrant follow-up at the jurisdictional level across the planning area. Discussion then briefly followed on the next steps and related decision points for subsequent action.

#### **4. PROPOSED POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS**

**a. Annual SE Data Update** – Mr. Sibert reviewed the latest changes in population, employment and school enrollments as well as shifting trends in key “sub-areas” across the study area (i.e., movement in the relative concentration of particular employment types, etc). Mr. Hooper then requested endorsement from the Policy Committee to submit this data for use in the travel demand modeling process. Mr. Gettys then made a motion for approval; second provided by Mr. Hamilton and the motion was unanimously approved.

**b. 2050 LRTP & FY 21-27 TIP Amendment** – Mr. Hooper briefly summarized the recent award from the South Carolina State Infrastructure Bank to the I-77 / Carowinds Blvd Interchange in the amount of \$64,354,500 and \$21,451,500 from York County. This total funding amount of \$85,8M will enable a critical convergence point in the transportation network to be addressed in a comprehensive manner. Mr. Hooper then thanked Mr. Simrill for his leadership in highlighting the importance and critical role this interchange serves in the RFATS Planning Area. Mr. Gettys also thanked Mr. Simrill for his commitment and effectiveness in advancing this priority location. Mr. Hooper then asked the Policy Committee to grant preliminary approval to an LRTP & TIP Amendment and authorization of a 30-day public comment period. Mr. Gettys then made a motion to approve; second by Mr. Audette and unanimously passed.

**c. Transportation Performance Management** – Mr. Hooper briefly reviewed applicable TPM requirements, in particular the CMAQ Performance Targets (i.e., Peak Hour Excess & Percent of Non-Sov Transit) with a request to support the reaffirmed targets from our coordination efforts with NCDOT; SCDOT; and adjacent planning agencies in North Carolina. Mr. Gettys then made a motion to approve; second by Ms. Savage and 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 November 18, 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 1:22 P.M.