

The Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore Region

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

May 7, 2021 9:00 – 9:27 A.M. Conference Call

# MINUTES

## 1. DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR THE MAY BRTB MEETING

The Executive Committee agreed on the following items for the May 25, 2021 BRTB meeting.

#### Action Items:

- Resolution #21-26 summarizes all 2020 Title VI related activities and asks that the BRTB accept the Annual Title VI Report.
- Resolution #21-27 is from Baltimore County requesting to add Old Court Road Bridge No. B-0237 over Bens Run project to the 2021-2024 TIP by shifting construction funds from FY 2020 to FY 2021.
- Resolution #21-28 is from MDOT MTA requesting to add a new project to the FY 2021-2024 TIP. MDOT MTA was awarded a Section 5339 (b) Bus and Bus Facilities Discretionary Grant.
- Resolution #21-29 is from MDOT MTA to add a new project to the FY 2021-2024 TIP. MDOT MTA was awarded a Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) Discretionary Grant.
- Resolution #21-30 is from MDOT MTA requesting to add a new project to the FY 2021-2024 TIP. MDOT MTA was awarded an FRA State of Good Repair discretionary grant.

#### Informational Items:

- An update from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments on the 2019 Regional Air Passenger Survey.
- A continuing discussion of the Transit Governance and Funding effort focused on the fifth technical memorandum, which outlines a review of transit funding measures.
- A Nominating Committee will be set up to recommend officers for FY 2022 year.

The Executive Committee approved the action items as well as the informational items for the May BRTB agenda.

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Voting: City of Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Carroll County, Harford County, Howard County, Queen Anne's County, MD Department of Transportation and Annapolis Transit. Non-Voting: MD Department of the Environment, MD Department of Planning, and MD Transit Administration.

#### 2. TIP ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATION

- MD 173: Bridge Replacement over Rock Creek 61-2101-13. This administrative modification from MDOT SHA decreases engineering funds in FY 2021 by \$7,000 (-\$12,000 federal/\$5,000 matching) and increases engineering funds in FY 2022 through FY 2024 by \$187,000 (\$220,000 federal/-\$33,000 matching) for a total increase of \$180,000. The overall increase in funding is necessary to complete final design and to adjust the funding as a result of the use of toll credits. The estimated total cost for this bridge replacement remains the same at \$5.176 million.
- Citywide Traffic Signals, Intelligent Transportation System, and Safety Improvements 12-1218-07. This administrative modification shifts engineering funds to planning funds in FY 2021 in the amount of \$2.925 million (\$2.24 million federal STBG funds/\$585,000 matching). Planning funds will be used specifically for the Traffic Signal Optimization project. The estimated total cost for this Citywide Traffic Signals, Intelligent Transportation System, and Safety Improvements project remains the same at \$17.1 million.

All members voted affirmatively for both Administrative Modifications. Staff will complete the paperwork.

## 3. OTHER BUSINESS

The FY 2022-2023 UPWP has been approved by the BRTB and was subsequently sent to the federal agencies for final review and approval.

With the retirement of Mr. Rick Gordon, Mr. Kwaku Duah is the Acting Director of Annapolis Transit and will serve in Mr. Gordon's stead as the public transit representative to the BRTB.

#### MEMBERS (all by phone)

Lynda Eisenberg – Carroll County – Chair Ramond Robinson – Anne Arundel County - Vice Chair Tyson Byrne – Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)

## STAFF AND GUESTS (all by phone)

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