

The Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore Region

INTERAGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP

April 1, 2020 9:30 to 10:00 A.M.

Meeting held through webinar/telephone service only. Call-in information was available to the public.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Ms. Sara Tomlinson (BMC).

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Tomlinson welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Attendees were then asked to introduce themselves.

2. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 2020 MINUTES

The ICG was asked to review the minutes of the February 5th ICG meeting. Ms. Alex Brun (MDE) made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Alex Rawls (BRTB) seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. CONFORMITY DETERMINATION OF MAXIMIZE 2045 AND THE 2021-2024 TIP

Ms. Tomlinson said that staff has prepared two documents for the ICG, with suggested exempt/nonexempt conformity status for projects that have been proposed for inclusion in the TIP this year. These documents were emailed in advance of the meeting. Ms. Tomlinson introduced Mr. Zach Kaufman, the TIP coordinator for BMC. He presented information on projects that are newly proposed for the 2021-2024 TIP.

Mr. Kaufman first discussed the proposed exempt projects. Anne Arundel County has three new bridge projects. Each of these replaces an existing 2 lane bridge with a new 2 lane bridge. The Parole Multi-modal Transportation Center would connect to existing local/regional bus service with future intermodal connections to bikeshare, carshare, etc. Anne Arundel County is proposing to include several new roadway projects in the 2021-2024 TIP. This information was not included in the original project list shared by email since some information was lacking. The corridors for these projects are in *Maximize2045*, but improvements for the specific segments being proposed for inclusion in the 2021-2024 TIP have not yet been determined. The county is working on concurrence to begin design with MDOT SHA since the

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projects are on state roadways. Staff is proposing that these projects be included as exempt at this time as engineering funds included will not take the projects beyond 30% design. No schedule for construction has been determined. The projects are:

- MD 2: U.S. 50 to Baltimore Annapolis Boulevard
- MD 3: Saint Stephens Church Road to MD 175
- MD 214: MD 468 to east of Loch Haven Road

The rest of the newly-proposed TIP projects were discussed. The ICG agreed to the exempt/non-exempt recommendations made by staff, emailed, and presented today.

[Presentation: TIP sheets for newly proposed TIP projects, 2021-2024 TIP]

4. MEMBER UPDATES

BRTB

Mr. Rawls reported that the BRTB Executive Committee met and decided that meetings during the pandemic will be held through webinar service. Call in information will be provided for the public at <u>http://www.baltometro.org</u>.

FHWA – Maryland Division

Dr. Kwame Arhin (FHWA) said that the MPO certification process this spring will be performed virtually, though a webinar service.

MDOT, FTA Region 3, and MDE did not have any updates.

EPA Region 3 was not in attendance.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

The members were asked if they had any other business to discuss. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Kwame Arhin – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) - Maryland Division Alex Brun – Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Virginia Burke – Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Ryan Long – Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Region 3 Alex Rawls – Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB)

Staff and Guests

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Regina Aris - Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC) Charles Baber - BMC Cindy Burch – BMC Lindsay Donnellon – FHWA – Maryland Division Zach Kaufman - BMC Dan Janousek – MDOT Todd Lang - BMC Sara Tomlinson – BMC Marcia Ways - MDE