



OAKLAND COUNTY FEDERAL AID FUNDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**Funding Committee Meeting - May 22, 2007
Time: 9:00 AM
City of Clawson, City Hall
425 N. Main Street, Michigan 48017**

<u>Present</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>
Pamela Boyd	MDOT
Brian Hogge	FHWA
Tom Noechel	RCOC
Tom Blust	RCOC
Dennis Kolar	RCOC
Ahmad Jawad	RCOC
Brian Blaesing	RCOC
Judit Wittbrodt	RCOC
Kevin McCarthy	City of Farmington Hills
Rob Hayes	City of Novi
Allan Schneck	City of Pontiac
Bill Huotari	City of Troy
Neall Schroeder	City of Troy
Bob Hill	City of Auburn Hills
Jim Schafer	City of Madison Heights
Richard Haberman	City of Clawson
Harry Drinkwine	City of Clawson
Elden Danielson	City of Royal Oak
Paul Davis	City of Farmington Hills
Paul Shumejko	City of Farmington Hills
Bob Northrup	City of Southfield
Kevin Yee	City of Oak Park
Byron Photiades	City of Ferndale
Tony Nowicki	City of Wixom
Don Green	Milford Township
Arthur Shufflebarger	Village of Milford
Beata Lamparski	HRC
Jennifer Chehab	AEW
Steve Dearing	OHM
Charlotte Burkhardt	Oakland County Planning
Christopher Mann	SEMCOG
David Flaisher	West Bloomfield Township

I. INTRODUCTION & WELCOME

Mr. Blaesing called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM. He welcomed the group, and asked everyone to introduce himself or herself. He also thanked Mr. Richard Haberman for hosting

the meeting at the City of Clawson City Hall. Mr. Haberman gave brief description of the in progress activities at the City of Clawson.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Blaesing asked if anyone would like to make a public comment or ask a question related to funding or any current project in the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

No public comments were made.

Mr. Blaesing closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

III. MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 6, 2007

Mr. Blaesing referred the committee to the minutes included in the agenda packet and asked if anyone had any additions, changes or deletions. Mr. Tom Blust requested to attach approved project list with the meeting minutes for future reference.

Motion by Mr. Haberman, supported by Mr. Schafer to approve amended the minutes of the February 6, 2007 Federal Aid Funding Committee meeting. **Motion Carried**

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Blaesing informed the committee that Mr. Neall Schroeder of City of Troy is retiring at the end of this month. He appreciated Mr. Schroeder's services and efforts, for FAC Task Force, over the past years.

Mr. Blaesing notified the committee about the roundabout video produced by the RCOC. He encouraged the community officials to see the video and share it with the Citizens. He also passed out the hand outs on the roundabout (Top ten reasons to like roundabouts) and Signal intersections (Flashing yellow arrow left turn signals).

Mr. Paul Davis of City of Rochester Hills mentioned that the City has six operational roundabouts and after some initial reluctance, they are quite well received by the communities.

V. UPDATE FROM SEMCOG & MDOT

Mr. Mann reported that SEMCOG is working on including FY 2008 and FY 2009 projects in the FY 2008 to FY 2011 TIP. The projects are under evaluation and they will be included in the final TIP by June of this year.

Mr. Mann also reported that there is no change in the FY 2007 to FY 2011 targets since the last meeting in February.

Mr. Man emphasized on the communities to obligate their projects as quickly as possible. He mentioned that presently the STPU obligation for south east Michigan is 30% and currently just 12% of Oakland County's allocated money is obligated.

Mr. Mann reported the following in regards to CMAQ and Safety Projects.

CMAQ PROJECTS

- FY 2007 projects were approved in February and the communities have been notified. The communities should try and obligate the projects as quickly as possible since the CMAQ funds expire at the end of the each fiscal year.
- FY 2008 projects are being finalized and the communities will be notified in near future. SEMCOG will also be working on including these projects in new FY 2008 to FY 2011 TIP.

- The next call for FY 2009 CMAQ projects will be in August 2007.
- Roundabouts and Traffic Signal improvements are 100% eligible for CMAQ dollars and communities do not have to match anything.

SAFETY PROJECTS

- FY 2008 Safety projects are approved and SEMCOG is working on including those projects in FY 2008 to FY 2011 TIP.
- Call for projects for FY 2009 projects will be out in August of 2007.

Ms. Boyd from MDOT requested all local communities to submit their project applications at their earliest convenience to MDOT Local Agency Program in order to ensure the timely obligation of funds. She also mentioned that obligation rate for the fiscal year 2007 will be 90.5%.

Ms Boyd mentioned that the FHWA planner Ms. Cindy Durenberger is retiring therefore the reviewing of projects by FHWA Lansing office may be slower than usual.

Ms Boys mentioned that the STPU and Cat C targets will stay the same at least till FY 2009. She also encouraged the communities to contact her for any questions / clarifications regarding the Federal Earmarks.

Ms. Boyd encouraged the committee to contact and invite the MDOT TSC representative for the Federal Aid Committee meetings. She also mentioned that the new FHWA Environmental Planner will start on June 4, 2007.

Ms. Boyd also informed the committee that Transportation Community System Preservation (TCSP) projects must be in the new TIP to be eligible for the funds. Funds for this category can be rolled over to the next year.

VI. "GOVERNORS JOBS TODAY" TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Ms. Boyd told the committee that there are 21 jobs today projects in the jobs today project list. The projects to be eligible should be in the TIP. She also informed the committee that a bill is with legislation to extend the jobs today program by six months. Under the current deadline the project must be let by September 28, 2007 to be eligible for jobs today program.

VII. REVIEW OF THE FY 2007 STPU AND TEDF-C OBLIGATIONS

There was no voting member or alternate present at the meeting from large or medium Townships.

Motion by Mr. Kolar supported by Mr. Shufflebarger to allow Mr. Flaisher of West Bloomfield Township to vote for Large Townships and Mr. Don Green to vote for medium townships.

Motion Carried

STPU Projects (FY 2007)

ROAD NAME	LIMITS	PROJECT TYPE	COMMUNITY	COMMENTS
COOLIDGE HWY.	8 MILE - 10 MILE	RRR	OAK PARK	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
UNION LAKE RD.	RICHARDSON - COOLEY LAKE	RRR	RCOC	ON TRACK, WILL BE OBLIGATED THIS YEAR
COOLIDGE HWY.	13 MILE - 14 MILE	RRR	ROYAL OAK	JUNE 2007 LETTING
STEPHENSON HWY.	NB 13 MILE - 14 MILE	RRR	MADISON HEIGHTS	UNDER CONSTRUCTION

14 MILE (ADV. CON)	CROOKS TO WASHINGTON	4R	CLAWSON	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
HALSTED (ADV CON.)	GRAND RIVER TO 11 MILE	RRR	FARMINGTON HILLS	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
9 MILE RD (ADV CON.)	TUCK TO MIDDLEBELT	RRR	FARMINGTON HILLS	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
OLD WOODWARD (ADV. CON.)	OAK ST. TO WILLITS	4R	BIRMINGHAM	UNDER CONSTRUCTION
ROCHESTER ROAD (CONV.)	GUNN TO PREDMORE	RRR	RCOC	UNDER CONSTRUCTION, TO BE CONV THIS YEAR
AUBURN AVE(ADV CON.)	WEST WOODWARD TO E. WOODWARD	RRR	PONTIAC	JULY 2007 LETTING
SOUTH BLVD(ADV CON.)	FRANKLIN TO BAGLEY ROAD	RRR	PONTIAC	ON TRACK, WILL BE OBLIGATED THIS YEAR
13 MILE RD (ADV. CON.)	E. OF SOUTHFIELD RD. TO GREENFIELD RD	RRR	SOUTHFIELD	GI CONDUCTED, JULY LETTING
PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT	COUNTYWIDE	UNIFORM PAVEMENT RANKING	RCOC	OBLIGATED
MLK BLVD.	ELM - M59	WIDEN 2 TO 5 LANES	PONTIAC	ON TRACK, PUBLIC MEETING HELD
HAMLIN ROAD	CROOKS TO LIVERNOIS	WIDEN 2 TO 4 LANE BLVD	ROCHESTER HILLS	EA NOT APPROVED, THE PROJECT MAY BE DELAYED
ROCHESTER ROAD	PREDMORE TO LAKEVILLE	ROW	RCOC	ON TARGET, WILL BE OBLIGATED BY MID SUMMER
HAMLIN ROAD	CROOKS TO LIVERNOIS	PE	ROCHESTER HILLS	OBLIGATED
ORCHARD LAKE (CONV.)	VOORHEIS TO WIDE TRACK DRIVE	ROW	PONTIAC	OBLIGATED

Mr. Paul Davis of City of Rochester Hills will inform Mr. Blaesing in case the Hamlin Road (Crooks to Livernois) project is delayed. In that case Mr. Blaesing will contact the communities and ask of them to submit letter to MDOT Local Agency Program to convert the some of the advance construct jobs in FY 2007.

TEDF "C" Projects (FY 2007)

- Mr. Houtari of City of Troy notified the committee that Rochester Rd. (Barclay to Trinway) has been obligated.
- Mr. Kolar distributed a letter to the committee requesting the additional money for Novi Rd. ROW (@ CSX rail Road Track including grade separation bridge)(Please see the attached letter).
- Mr. Schafer showed his concern that the letter distributed by the RCOC should have been a part of agenda package and there is not enough time to absorb the project information. He also stated that is unfair to the committee members and the communities to approve approximately \$ 5 million at such short notice.
- Mr. Dearing suggested that the additional letter submitted by Mr. Kolar could have been posted on the FAC web site or emailed to the committee members in order to give them more time to review the information.

Motion by Mr. Kolar second by Mr. Paul Davis to fund Novi Rd. ROW with additional \$4.88 million of Cat C money for FY 2007 and move Novi Rd (@ CSX rail Road Track including grade separation bridge) CON to FY 2009. Oppose: Mr. Northrup **Motion Carried**

VIII. UPDATE THE FY2007-20011 APPROVED PROJECTS

STPU Projects

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>LIMITS</u>	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>CURRENT YEAR</u>	<u>MOVED TO</u>
MAIN STREET (ADV CON)	LINCOLN TO MAPLE	CLAWSON	2011	2007
STEPHENSON HWY. (ADV. CON)	SB GIRARD TO 14 MILE	MADISON HTS.	2009	2008
BALDWIN AVE. (ADV. CON.)	CESAR CHAVEZ TO MONT CALM RD.	PONTIAC	2008	2007
14 MILE RD (ADV CON.)	FARMINGTON TO ORCHARD LAKE	FARMINGTON HILLS	2010	2008
14 MILE RD (ADV CON.)	DRAKE TO FARMINGTON	FARMINGTON HILLS	2010	2008
FARMINGTON RD (ADV. CON.)	13 MILE TO GLENMUER	FARMINGTON HILLS	2011	2008
9 MILE RD	GREEN FIELD TO PARK LAWN	OAK PARK	2010	2007

TEDF 'C' Projects

For detailed listing on Cat C projects please see the attached spreadsheet.

IX. REQUEST ADDITIONAL OBLIGATION AUTHORITY FROM SEMCOG

Mr. Chris Mann suggested that MDOT and SEMCOG will be in better picture for any additional obligation authority in July.

X. ADJOURN

Mr. Blaesing informed the committee that he will put together a document consisting of committee rules and regulations for the review of the committee. The document will also be posted on FAC web site for the convenience of the communities.

Mr. Blaesing informed the committee that the next Task Force meeting will be on October 18 2007.

Mr. Blaesing thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

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