



TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

September 6, 2019 Meeting Notes

TCC Members or Alternates Present:

<i>ARC</i>	John Orr		
<i>Atlanta</i>	Jason Morgan	<i>Fulton</i>	---
<i>Barrow</i>	---	<i>GDOT</i>	Charles Robinson
<i>Cherokee</i>	Geoff Morton	<i>GRTA/SRTA</i>	Jamie Fischer
<i>Clayton</i>	Keith Rohling	<i>Gwinnett</i>	Daniel Piotrowski
<i>Cobb</i>	---	<i>Henry</i>	David Simmons
<i>Coweta</i>	---	<i>MARTA</i>	Bryan Hobbs
<i>DeKalb</i>	---	<i>Newton</i>	Toney Wright
<i>Douglas</i>	Miguel Valentin	<i>Paulding</i>	---
<i>EPD</i>	Gil Grodzinsky	<i>Rockdale</i>	---
<i>Fayette</i>	Phil Mallon	<i>Spalding</i>	Brian Upson
<i>Forsyth</i>	---	<i>Walton</i>	---
<i>MD-1</i>	---	<i>MD-4</i>	Michele Wright
<i>MD-2</i>	---	<i>MD-5</i>	---
<i>MD-3</i>	---	<i>MD-6</i>	---

Advisors (Non-voting):

<i>CBMPO</i>	---
<i>GHMPO</i>	---
<i>GDOT I'modal</i>	---
<i>FHWA</i>	---
<i>FTA</i>	---

Transportation Coordinating Committee – Meeting Summary

John Orr, Chair

1. Welcome - Welcome; Acceptance of September 6, 2019 TCC Meeting Summary; Public Comment period

John Orr, ARC, asked if there were any changes to the meeting summary. Hearing no comments, the summary was accepted as presented. Mr. Orr asked for public comments. Melissa Roberts stated no one signed up to share public comments. Mr. Orr shared that there will be an Open House following TCC and reminded everyone we will have a first read in January and take action in February on the RTP.

2. FIRST READ – Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

John Orr gave a brief overview of the UPWP as a federal requirement. Mr. Orr shared a few key items that will be a part of the 2020 UPWP including: completing the Atlanta Region’s Plan Update, the Chattahoochee RiverLands study, TSMO/ITS Architecture Plan, and the Regional Transit On-Board Survey. Mr. Orr also shared a few key planning areas the 2020 UPWP will emphasize. Those include: improving safety, advancing connected vehicle planning, transportation demand management planning, and conducting a Regional Human Service Transportation Paratransit Brokerage Study.

ARC expects FHWA and FTA Planning Funds will be used in a few work plan items, including the modernization of ARC’s project database PLANIT, and the Regional Transportation Plan Community Engagement and Implementation Assistance. ARC also expects Surface Transportation Block Grant Funds will be used for modeling support and development, land use model development, regional safety action plan, and other regional multimodal mobility support initiatives. ARC will continue to support programs such as Livable Centers Initiative Study Program, County Transportation Plan Program, and Freight Cluster Area Planning Program. Part of the UPWP must also include all federally funded transportation planning activities, excluding PE, ROW, and CST phases.

Mr. Orr shared that action will be taken on the 2020 UPWP in December by the Board.

3. FIRST READ - Regional Complete Streets Workbook

Byron Rushing shared a summary of the ARC adopted regional vision for walking and bicycling titled *Walk. Bike. Thrive!* That plan recognizes that walking and bicycling are important elements of a great region, but that safety and comfort are significant barriers to people choosing to walk, bicycle, or ride transit. Byron shared that ARC has also adopted a safety action plan, titled *Safe Streets for Walking and Bicycling*, that promotes a “safe system” approach to transportation planning using evidence-based safety measures and complete street designs.

Byron then went on to share that in June 2018, ARC directed staff to recommend an appropriate course of action for the agency to follow in improving safety outcomes on our transportation system for all users, with the long-term goal of slowing and eventually reversing recent upward trends in fatalities and serious injuries. The Regional Workbook for Complete Streets serves as a

supporting resource to ARC's walking and bicycling plan to help the region assess complete street investments and for local governments to develop complete streets projects.

TCC members Philip Mallon, Jamie Fischer, and Gil Grodzinsky shared positive comments about the Complete Streets Workbook. One person from the public, Sherri Williams, asked the ARC team to consider representing a wheelchair user in the document. She also asked about signalization colors for crosswalks and duration of crossing times. Byron Rushing offered to address her questions after the meeting.

4. Planning Updates

John Orr reminded members that ARC staff are well underway with the RTP update and members can expect significant changes as it relates to transit in particular. Jean Hee shared that the TIP application date ends October 11th. Applicants are encouraged to reach out to ARC staff if they have any questions. ARC staff who can assist applicants can be reached via the tipsolicitation@atlantaregional.org email address.

5. Other and Committee Introduced Items

Announcements

John Orr shared that ARC and GDOT staff met to discuss sharing an update on MMIP with the Committee in November.

John asked for any news to share from TCC members. Miguel Valentin stated that they are tracking ridership data on their newly established transit system and are making adjustments to encourage ridership. He shared they are getting positive feedback via their on-board survey, especially from those who do not have access to a private vehicle and are now able to move around their community.

Adjourned.

Handouts & Presentations:

- 09-06-2019 TCC Notes.pdf
- 10-04-2019 TCC Agenda.pdf
- Draft Resolution and Issue Summary – Draft 2020 UPWP.pdf
- Issue Summary & Draft Resolution – Complete Streets Workbook – October 2019.pdf