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**POLICY COMMITTEE
OF THE
OWENSBORO-DAVIESS COUNTY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

September 28, 2010

M-I-N-U-T-E-S

The Policy Committee of the Owensboro-Daviess County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) met on Tuesday, September 28, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., Commission Chambers, City Hall, Owensboro, Kentucky. The following persons were in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ron Payne, Chairman, Mayor City of Owensboro
Reid Haire, Vice-Chairman, Daviess County Judge/Executive
Kevin McClearn, District Two, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC)

MEMBERS ABSENT

None.

GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Bill Parrish, Owensboro City Manager
Amy Thomas, KYTC, Division of Planning
Nick Hall, District Two, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Keith Lawrence, Owensboro Messenger & Inquirer
Keith Harpole, Associate Director for Transportation Planning,
Green River Area Development District (GRADD)
Paula Snyder, Support Services Technician, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ron Payne called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Bill Markwell, *Chairman* ■ Mary Pate, *Vice Chairperson* ■ Jody Jenkins, *Secretary* ■ Bill Parrish, *Treasurer* ■ Jiten Shah, *Executive Director*

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II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 29, 2010, meeting of the Policy Committee, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Reid Haire and seconded by Kevin McClearn to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2010, Policy Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Keith Harpole presented the draft of the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for final approval. He informed the committee the KYTC had responded with several minor corrections that need to be addressed before the final MTP is to be submitted. He further stated the corrections did not affect the document's main content.

Mr. Harpole requested the committee members scan the portions of the MTP they control and give their input. Bob Whitmer, Airport Director and Ed Riney, Riverport Director, had comments in regards to the sections of the document that pertained to their areas. The recommendations for revisions were given to Mr. Harpole.

Mayor Payne questioned why projects have to be placed into outer years, especially 2040; when no one knows what the priorities would be that far in the future.

Amy Thomas commented the projects needed to be placed in the "Open to Traffic" years, so they may be positioned into the traffic and air quality models to determine if the area is in attainment or not.

A motion was made by Reid Haire and seconded by Kevin McClearn to approve the 2040 MTP to be submitted for public comments. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

B. Fiscal Year 2010 Performance and Expenditure Report

Keith Harpole presented the Fiscal Year 2010 Performance and Expenditure Report for the Owensboro-Daviess County MPO. He stated that the report reflects the work accomplished and the amount of funds expended in each work element. Additionally, all work has been completed and the budget was over by approximately one percent, which GRADD will use local funds to cover.

A motion was made by Ron Payne and seconded by Kevin McClearn to approve the Fiscal Year 2010 Performance and Expenditure Report. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE DISTRICT HIGHWAY OFFICE

Kevin McClearn, Chief District Engineer for District 2, gave a presentation concerning the roundabout at the intersection of KY 56/KY 81/Worthington Road. He reported the KYTC had a public meeting on September 21, 2010, showing the roundabout as designed and discussed how motorists would use the roundabout. He said the majority present were in favor of the new roundabout, and commented that approximately 75 people attended.

Mr. McClearn explained the Bypass Extension Phase II is scheduled for letting in May 2011, with Phase II being the last portion. The construction would take at least two construction seasons, perhaps three. Depending on the weather, Phase I is scheduled for completion sometime in November 2011.

Mr. McClearn stated the KYTC is delaying the Pleasant Valley Road connector until they see the plans on what the hospital intends to do with Pleasant Valley Road.

Mr. McClearn stated the KYTC would be moving the utilities that can be moved on the Southtown Boulevard project.

VII. OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

Keith Harpole presented the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Administration Modification #11. This modification is to update the 2008 – 2013 TIP to include the most current information for the KY 56/KY 81/Worthington Road roundabout.

A motion was made by Reid Haire and seconded by Ron Payne to approve the TIP Administrative Modification #11. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

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