
MINUTES
CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
April 16, 2009

PRESENT: Dr. Charles Gillespie, Chairman
Thomas Fratino
Dr. Surendra Pandey
Emmanuel Konde
Peter Ngwafu
John Sherman

ABSENT: Billy Merritt
Terrence Kennedy
Nicole Williams

STAFF PRESENT: Howard Brown, Planning & Development Director
David Hamilton, Transportation Planner
Carlos Gonzales, FHWA
Jennifer Newton, Administrative Secretary, SR

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gillespie called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and made introductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There being no corrections or changes, a motion was made by Mr. Fratino to approve the amended December 4, 2008 minutes. Dr. Gillespie seconded the motion, and the amended minutes were approved with the following votes:

Charles Gillespie	yes
Surendra Pandey	yes
Nicole Williams	absent
Emmanuel Konde	yes
Billy Merritt	absent
Terrence Kennedy	absent
Thomas Fratino	yes
Peter Ngwafu	yes

FY10 UPWP

Mr. Hamilton announced that the FY10 UPWP would be up for approval at the DARTS Policy meeting. The UPWP is a planning document that helps demonstrate what should be accomplished in the fiscal year. The document is for funding administrative purposes, equipment purchases and studies. This document has to be approved by the Policy Committee and will be placed on the website.

DARTS 2035 LRTP UPDATE

Mr. Hamilton announced that the services of URS Corporation to assist us with the Long Range Transportation Plan. The LRTP is to ensure that federal-aid transportation projects are planned in a continuous, coordinated and comprehensive manner. The DARTS, the designated Metropolitan

Planning Organization (MPO), study area includes the existing urbanized area for the City of Albany, Dougherty County, and the southern half of Lee County. URS will be here today to do a presentation to the Stakeholders and Policy Committee. Everyone is welcome to sit in on it today.

ARRA (STIMULUS) UPDATE

Mr. Carlos Gonzales, with FHWA, came to explain the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) which outlines the distribution of highway infrastructure investment funds. GDOT's Stimulus Implementation Team includes representatives from FHWA, FTA, OPB, and GRTA. The team recommends allocation of funds among the following categories: safety, bridges, new capacity, maintenance, and enhancement. Following approval of category funding levels: "scrub" local project lists to document readiness and prioritizing STIP "shovel ready" eligible projects. Project selections based on proposed criteria, time of delivery, federal eligibility and available funding.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.