

Transportation Advisory Committee - Transportation Plan Subcommittee Meeting (Tuesday, August 15, 2023)

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Members present

Laura Carrington, Thomas Rogers, William Hill, George Clark, Leon Carrington
Also present Jim Gotsch and Allison Swint

Meeting called to order at 4:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call: A. Roll Call

3. PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Action, Minutes: A. Approve July 11, 2023 meeting minutes

Motion to approve July 11, 2023 meeting minutes

Motion by George Clark, second by Leon Carrington.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Laura Carrington, Thomas Rogers, William Hill, George Clark, Leon Carrington

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: A. Brudis & Associates Questionnaire review: Task Prioritization

Discussion: B. Brudis & Associates Questionnaire review: Project Classification

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. ADJOURN

Action: A. Meeting Adjourned

I move to adjourn the meeting at 6:17PM

Motion by Leon Carrington, second by George Clark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Laura Carrington, Thomas Rogers, William Hill, George Clark, Leon Carrington



Tuesday, August 15, 2023
Transportation Advisory Committee Project Prioritization Subcommittee

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:30PM

2. ROLL CALL

A. Roll Call

4:31PM – Roll is called

Members present: George Clark, Leon Carrington, William Hill, Vice Chair
Thomas Rogers, County Liaison Allison Swint, Chair Laura Carrington

Transportation Director Jim Gotsch is present for the meeting

3. PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

A. Approve previous meeting minutes

4:31PM – Chair Laura Carrington requests motion to approve of the July 11
Subcommittee meeting minutes

George Clark supplies the motion and Leon Carrington seconds

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Brudis & Associates Questionnaire review: Project Prioritization

4:32PM – Chair briefs Subcommittee on current tasks and switches the agenda order
of current tasking

4:32PM – George Clark makes comment that director Jim Gotsch has to leave the
meeting early to make the MAACO Conference

4:33PM – George Clark requests changing tasks to the ranking of project requests

Laura Carrington and George Clark remark on the request

4:35M – Laura Carrington return the Subcommittee to the Project Categorization task, by discussing several project requests to widen MD Rt. 4

Discussion stems with input from Director Gotsch, George Clark and further input from Laura Carrington

4:42PM – George Clark asks if projects are to be ranked as they are categorized

Laura Carrington provides response and additional commentary is provided by Leon Carrington

4:42PM – George Clark shares that Tri-County Council will host a tour of MDOT, where various transportation agency heads will be present

Director Gotsch provides additional commentary

4:44PM – George Clark advises Laura Carrington speed up the project prioritization and ranking in order to provide input for the County's wishlist for the upcoming meeting with MDOT on October 17

4:47PM – Director Gotsch suggests the project prioritization task can doubly serve as input for the Transportation Priority Letter as well as its original purpose, to provide input for the 2023 Transportation Plan

Discussion stems from the comment with input from George Clark and additional commentary from Director Gotsch

4:48PM – George Clark asks if the draft of the County Transportation plan will be shared with the Subcommittee for viewing and editing

Director Gotsch responds that the draft will be ready in to weeks and will be provided to the Subcommittee

4:49PM – Director Gotsch turns his attention to the prioritization of project requests, and the Subcommittee continues the process with his assistance

4:54PM – Laura Carrington shares a new project category created with the assistance of TAC member Leon Carrington

5:03PM – Leon Carrington suggests using language consistent with the prioritization categories, particularly where "Not Recommended" are concerned

George Clark and Laura Carrington concur

5:44PM – Leon Carrington comments on dangerous crossings at Hermanville Road, and recalls a request to improve lighting at the intersection of Hermanville and RT. 235

Discussion stems from the comment with input from Director Gotsch

5:56PM – George Clark offers to share his ranking of previously categorized project requests

Laura Carrington concurs

5:53PM – Laura Carrington asks Director Gotsch to clarify if all of the varying projects should be ranked together or only within their respective categories

Jim Gotsch provides additional guidance

5:54PM – George Clark shares he must recuse himself from the project ranking after the current meeting as he is on a different committee that is preparing the Transportation Priority Letter

Jim Gotsch departs

B. Brudis & Associates Questionnaire review: Project Ranking

5:58PM – Laura Carrington switches to project prioritization, addressing a matrix of sample rankings, previously shared

5:58PM – George Clark shares his proposed changes to the matrix

Discussion stems with input from George Clark and Leon Carrington

6:04PM – Laura Carrington encourages Subcommittee members to continue ranking previously categorized projects on their own move the process along

6:04PM – George Clark expresses concern about the timeline of project prioritization tasking and asks Allison Swint for the Department of Transportation's Consultant's deadline to complete planning

6:06PM – Allison Swint shares Director Gotsch's previous response that the Subcommittee is not expected to make a hard deadline to complete its task

Allison Swint asks if adjusting the Subcommittee meeting schedule to bi-weekly, instead of monthly, will assist in completing the tasking by self-imposed deadlines

Discussion stems with input from George Clark and Allison Swint

6:07PM – George Clark suggests Laura Carrington determine from Director Gotsch what the Consultant's deadline for input and planning is for the County, so that the Subcommittee does not miss the opportunity to provide its input

Discussion stems with the request with input from Laura Carrington and George Clark

6:11PM – Laura Carrington concurs with moving the Subcommittee to bi-weekly meetings

Discussion stems with input from George Clark and Leon Carrington

Leon Carrington concurs with moving to bi-weekly meetings and provides justification for his concurrence

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next Subcommittee Meeting – August 29, 2023 4:30PM

6:15PM – Chair announces next TAC meeting to be, August 29, 2023

6:16PM – Laura Carrington again encourages Subcommittee members to rank the priority of project requests in the time between meetings

7. ADJOURN

A. Meeting Adjourned

6:17PM – Chair requests motion to adjourn the meeting

Leon Carrington motions to adjourn the meeting and George Clark provides the second

The meeting is adjourned