



Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

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Minutes of the SNHPC MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

January 21, 2021

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission
438 Dubuque Street
Manchester, New Hampshire

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Colleen Mailloux (Chair) – Londonderry
Todd Connors – Manchester DPW
Becky Hebert – Bedford
Linda Kunhardt – Franconia
Laurie Makarawicz – CART
Nancy Michels – GMCC/GDLC
Fred Roberge – Easterseals NH
Lucy St. John – NHDOT
George Sioras – Derry
Dick Snow – Candia
Mark Suennen – New Boston
Bruce Thomas – Hooksett
Sylvia von Aulock – SNHPC
Tim White – NHDES

OTHERS PRESENT

Beverly Donovan – Derry
Dean Williams – CNHRPC

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Tom Clow – Weare
Ryan Renauld-Smith – MTA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jo Ann Duffy – Goffstown
Jonathan Golden – Manchester Planning
Dick Gregory – Windham
Andrew Hadik – Chester
Bill Herman – Auburn
Tom Malafronte – MHT Airport
Tim Roache – RPC

SNHPC STAFF PRESENT

Monique Duchesne, Assistant Planner
Carl Eppich, Principal Transportation Planner
Adam Hlasny, Senior Transportation Planner
Nate Miller, Deputy Executive Director
Cam Prolman, Regional Planner
Zach Swick, Senior GIS Analyst
James Vayo, Project Manager

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1. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Colleen Mailloux called the meeting of the SNHPC TAC to order at 9:37 AM.

2. Action on Minutes of December 17, 2020

Motion by Mr. George Sioras to approve December minutes, seconded by Mr. Fred Roberge. Minutes were approved unanimously with Ms. Hebert, Mailloux, Makarawicz, and Mr. Todd Connors abstaining.

3.1 Guest Presentation on Town of Derry Parklet Program

Ms. Beverly Donovan gave a presentation on Derry's Parklet program, which began at the Grind Rail Trail Café with the assistance of SNHPC in May 2019. The town has seen a large uptick in bike-ped traffic and trail users, which has resulted in business growth downtown. After the parklet's initial

success, the town will implement a permanent seasonal parklet in April 2021. Ms. Donovan added that during COVID, town councilors were more open-minded about thinking outside the box and allowing parklets and outdoor dining to assist local businesses. The town's DPW director walked the streets to ensure the physical layout of these streetscape changes would work with ADA and other requirements.

In response to a question from Ms. Hebert, Ms. Donovan replied that restaurants can now apply for a yearly outdoor dining permit.

3.2 Consideration of FY 2021-2045 SNHPC Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

Mr. Carl Eppich noted that the public hearing/comment period for SNHPC's MTP runs from 12/23/20 through 1/22/21. He said that 3 general and 13 project-specific comments (mostly bike-ped related) were received very late last night from a single individual, and there has not yet been a chance to address them.

No one present had additional comments. Mr. Mark Suennen said that he will be forwarding some comments to SNHPC staff when he has completed his review.

Motion by Mr. Sioras to recommend adoption of the FY2021-2045 SNHPC MTP to the MPO at its January 26, 2021 meeting, seconded by Ms. Hebert. All were in favor except Mr. Suennen, who expressed a desire to wait to see how his forthcoming comments are addressed. Motion approved, with Mses. Lucy St. John, Sylvia von Aulock abstaining.

3.3 Overview of SNHPC FY 2021-24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Nate Miller reviewed the project changes in the region to be proposed in the pending FY 2021-2024 TIP, noting that it will be released for its 30-day public comment period on 1/22/21. The TAC will have another chance to provide feedback at its 2/18/21 meeting, and the MPO public hearing will take place on 2/23/21. There were no further questions.

3.3 SNHPC FY 2020 Annual List of Obligated Projects

Mr. Miller reviewed the 2020 Annual List of Obligated Projects, noting that it is from Federal Fiscal Year 2020 (10/1/19-9/30/20). There were 77 projects obligated, including 14 local projects in 8 communities, 21 regional projects, and 42 statewide projects for a total of \$116,488,205.

Mr. Dick Snow suggested adding a category next year to reflect the overall funding that went toward debt management. Mr. Miller said that would be doable.

Mr. Suennen asked whether the \$31 million for I-93 Exit 4A remains obligated. Mr. Miller said that a significant obligation was made during the design-build process. Since then, the project has been restructured. Mr. Bill Oldenburg of NHDOT will provide more details at the 1/26/21 MPO meeting, which TAC members were invited to attend.

4. Other Business

Mr. Miller gave a brief description of the recent NHDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) solicitation, noting that SNHPC has sent information out via several channels. Ms. St. John added that more information is available on the NHDOT TAP webpage. Letters of Interest are due on 2/5/21, and SNHPC is available to help support any interested applicant within the region.

5. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Linda Kunhardt to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Todd Connors. The meeting stood adjourned at 10:50 am.

Next meeting: February 18, 2021

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Southern NH Planning Commission for January 21, 2021.



Sylvia von Aulock
Executive Director

Minutes Approved: February 18, 2021