

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

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Meeting Notes of the SNHPC MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

March 17, 2022

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission/Zoom

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Colleen Mailloux (Chair) – Londonderry
Kristen Clarke – Manchester DPW*
Andrew Hadik – Chester*
Jillian Harris – Bedford*
Linda Kunhardt – Francestown
Nancy Michels – Derry/Londonderry CoC
Cole Riel – Greater Manchester CoC*
Fred Roberge – Easterseals NH
Kim Rummo – NHDOT*
George Sioras – Derry*
Mark Suennen – New Boston*
Bruce Thomas – Hooksett

OTHERS PRESENT

Tim White - NHDES*

Sylvia von Aulock – SNHPC

Tracey Whitehead - CART

Matt Baronas – CNHRPC* Leigh Levine – FHWA Jessica Margeson – GS Organizing Project* Henry Underwood – SWRPC*

SNHPC STAFF PRESENT

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 Tammy Zamoyski, Regional Planner*

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tom Clow – Weare
Bill Herman – Auburn
Tom Malafronte – MHT Airport
Steve Rollins - Deerfield
Linda Wescott – NHDOT
Mike Whitten – Manchester Transit

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Jo Ann Duffy – Goffstown Jonathan Golden – Manchester Planning

1. <u>Call to Order/Introductions</u>

Chair Colleen Mailloux called the meeting of the SNHPC TAC to order at 9:34 AM.

2. Action on Minutes of February 17, 2022

As there was not a physical quorum, action on the minutes was tabled.

3.1 Overview of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

Mr. Leigh Levine gave an overview of the many programs included under the recently passed Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which law provides over \$1.2 trillion for infrastructure over the next five years. His review included the Bridge Program, National Electric Vehicle (EV) Vehicle Funding Program, Safe Streets and Roads for All Program, Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), Transportation Alternatives (TA), and transit funding.

^{*}Attended meeting virtually via Zoom

In response to a question from Ms. Linda Kunhardt, Mr. Levine said the joint DOT-Department of Energy partnership is a newly-established federal office.

During a conversation around the Transportation Access Pilot Program, Ms. Sylvia von Aulock noted that accessibility could include wheelchair accessibility of sidewalks and other infrastructure. Mr. Nate Miller said that accessibility in this context may measure transportation access across different modes. For example, what percentage of employers, medical, or educational destinations are within x miles of public transport?

Mr. Levine concluded by announcing that New Hampshire-specific fact sheets about the IIJA are available for anyone interested.

3.2 <u>Discussion on Active Transportation/Complete Streets Support</u>

Mr. Carl Eppich and Ms. Tammy Zamoyski presented an overview of SNHPC's previous and upcoming safety, bicycle, pedestrian, and related modes planning and project development assistance. This includes the bike/ped counting program and additional planning services offered that may be less familiar.

Ms. von Aulock noted that SNHPC will contact all communities to see which stakeholders (i.e. DPW, road agents, etc.) should be involved in these conversations. It's important for communities to have input so as to better inventory regional active transportation needs.

4. Other Business

Ms. von Aulock noted that the Regional Housing Needs Assessment has begun; there will likely be an item on a future TAC agenda to discuss the connection between transportation and housing. She added that a letter will be going out to communities shortly detailing the various fieldwork SNHPC is available to assist with.

5. Adjournment

Acting Chair George Sioras declared the meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Next meeting: April 21, 2022

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the notes of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Southern NH Planning Commission for March 17, 2022.

Sylvia von Aulock Executive Director

Notes Approved: June 16, 2022