

**Technical Advisory Committee Meeting (TAC)
Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2023**

Members

Mr. Robert Smith, (Planning Director) (MPO Staff)
Mr. David Bollie (ALDOT)
Mr. Justin Barrett (Proxy Chapel Brown City of Wetumpka)
Mr. Kevin Boone (Montgomery County)
Mr. Chris Conway (City of Montgomery)
Mr. John Mark Davis (Autauga County)
Mr. Darrell Rigsby (Pike Road)
Mr. Patrick Dunson (City of Montgomery)
Mr. Luke McGinty (Elmore County)
Mr. Stuart Peters (Elmore County)
Mr. Darrell Rigsby (Town of Pike Road)
Mr. Scott Stephens (City of Prattville)
Mr. Samuel Tensley (General Manager The M Transit)

Guests

Mr. Jeff Fennell (GMC)
Mr. Josh McDougald (Elmore County)
Mr. Brandon Butts (Montgomery County)
Mr. Rob Ellzey (Autauga County)

STAFF

Mr. Casey Lewis (Transp. Planning/ MPO)
Ms. Lisa Hart (Transp. Planning/MPO)

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) May 16, 2023 at 10 a.m. at the City of Montgomery Intermodal Transfer Facility in the conference room, 495 Molton Street, Montgomery, AL 36104,) the aforementioned members were present. The meeting was called to order at 10:09 A.M. by Mr. Robert Smith

Agenda Item 2: Quorum Assessment: Yes Quorum (12) Voting Members

Agenda Item 3: Introduction of Guest: New Planners: Ms. Briah Hudson/Bob Ellzey (City of Prattville, Mr. Derek Handy/Summer Intern, MPO, Mr. Brandon Butts (Engineer/Montgomery County

Agenda Item 4: Minutes from the Previous TAC Meeting (Action Item) Mr. Dunson made a motion to adopt and accept the Minutes from the previous TAC Meeting, with corrections of Mr. John Mark Davis is from Autauga County not Elmore and Mr. Scott Stephens did not make motion and a second, instead of Mr. Dunson made the motion and Mr. Stephens seconded. A second was made by Mr. Tensley; therefore the agenda item passed unanimously and without any further discussion required.

Agenda Item 5: Fiscal Years 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment Project Proposals

- Page 2: A Town of Pike Road Project for Intersection Improvements at Wallahatchie Road at Pike Road. The Funding source will be Surface Transportation Program Maintenance Funds (STPMN)

Federal Funds will cover \$280,000 Local Match \$70,000 Total Funds \$350,000

(Cost increase from \$47,000 to \$350,000 (\$303,000 total increase) total dollars. Project was supposed to have been increased to \$350,000 in Covid Relief funds but was not, and now that Covid Relief funds are no longer available this request is for the balance of project funds needed for preliminary engineering (PE)

- Page 3: A State of Alabama Project for Intersection Improvement and signal installation at SR-14 and 17 Springs Entrance. The funding source Surface Transportation Program Any Area Funds (STPAA). The federal funds will cover \$80,000 State Match \$20,000 Total Funds \$100,000.

After the discussion of the TIP Amendment projects was motion was made by Mr. Boone to adopt the projects following a second by Mr. Peters. Therefore the agenda item passed unanimously and without any further discussion.

Agenda Item 6: Approval of Draft FY-2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS SUMMARY

- \$749,383 in Federal Highway and Federal Transit Administration Planning (PL) Federal Funds only. \$507,869 in FY-2024 apportionment funding; \$241,514 unused carry over funds from FY-2022 available for FY-2024.
- Total FY-2024 Final UPWP budget estimate is \$936,729 with \$749,383 federal and \$187,346 local match, funding includes two (2) planning projects.
- MPO Areawide Proposed Plans
 - a. Safety Action Plan \$120,000 federal, \$30,000 local match
 - b. Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Action Plan: \$100,000 federal; \$25,000 local match
- Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5303 Planning Funds have been combined with Federal Highway Administration Planning Funds to be (1) fund for better management.
- Funds pay for 5 full-time staff person's salaries, planning and programming work related to required documents, MPO administration and other federal

requirements, general operating costs for meetings, advertising for meetings, public hearings and various other activities.

- Fiscal Years 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be amended as needed for FY-2024.
- Various other transportation planning duties such as, prior year authorized projects list report and advertisement, overall GIS database update and maintenance and other associated GIS work related to planning and programming activities, traffic count updates, report writing, grant writing, etc....

After the review for the UPWP Summary Highlights, a motion was made by Mr. Davis to adopt and accept the Draft for the UPWP FY-2024, following a second by Mr. Boone. Therefore the agenda item passed unanimously and without any further discussion.

Agenda Item 7: Explanation of Federal Rescission of MPO Covid Relief Funds:

Mr. Robert Smith explained that a rescission of MPO Covid Relief funds had been done by the ALDOT via the federal government due to the federal debt reduction deal passed by Congress. Congress had recalled all unobligated balances of Covid Relief funds. He said that the MPO received \$2.7 million in funds and had originally decided to evenly split the funds at \$235,000 for each MPO member government. He said that only two projects had been fully completed with the funds in Elmore County on the Chapman Road project and on the South Court Street project. He said that the ALDOT informed him that ALDOT had 24-48 hours to get the unobligated balance of funds obligated on a project that was termed to be ready to go and that the only project that ALDOT found in the Montgomery MPO area that was ready to go was the Perry Hill Road capacity project for the right of way scope. He said that the ALDOT made the decision to obligate the balance of MPO Covid Relief funds on the Perry Hill Road right of way project. After this was explained Mr. Smith asked TAC members if they had a desire to move forward with the previous Covid Relief funded projects with regular MPO dedicated funds. All TAC members in attendance whose project was impacted said that they had a desire to continue with their project. Mr. Smith said that he would respond to ALDOT with the MPO pending the MPO's decision to change funding to regular MPO dedicated funds for the prior Covid Relief funded projects.

Agenda Item 8: Transportation Project Status Update (ALDOT)

- (Montgomery County) Widening, resurfacing, and traffic stripe on SR-3 (US-31) and the I-65 southbound exit ramp from the junction of the I-65 interchange to the junction of Hyundai Blvd.
- (Montgomery County) Intersection improvements (concrete pavement, traffic signs, and traffic stripe) on SR-152 Northern Blvd) at Jackson Ferry Road

- (Montgomery County) Planning, resurfacing, and traffic stripe on SR-3 (US-31) from the junction of West Blvd to the Elmore County line (**Installing Guard rails**)
- (Montgomery County) Intersections improvements (Planning, resurfacing, traffic signals, and traffic stripe) On SR-53 (US-231 at SR-6 (US-82) South of Montgomery

Agenda Item 9: Any Other Issues / Business/Concerns:

Mr. Smith reminded all TAC members to submit their project proposals for the FY-2024-2027 TIP if they had not. He said that he had a firm cutoff date and would need to begin formulating the document. Mr. Smith said that the total dollar amount in projects far exceeded the amount of funds that were available and began stating how much each government had submitted. He said that he thought that based on his rough estimation that all project might be able to be funded based on carryover and regular allocated funds over four years. He said that he would began working on the new TIP immediately.

Agenda Item 10. Adjournment: There were no other issues or matters to discuss, therefore the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting adjourned at 11:14 A.M.

Montgomery MPO Resolution

To Amend the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) To Add the Following Projects by Addendum

TIP Project Number: **PR-1-AM** Sponsor: **Town of Pike Road** State Project Code: **100074241**

Functional Classification: **Major Collector**

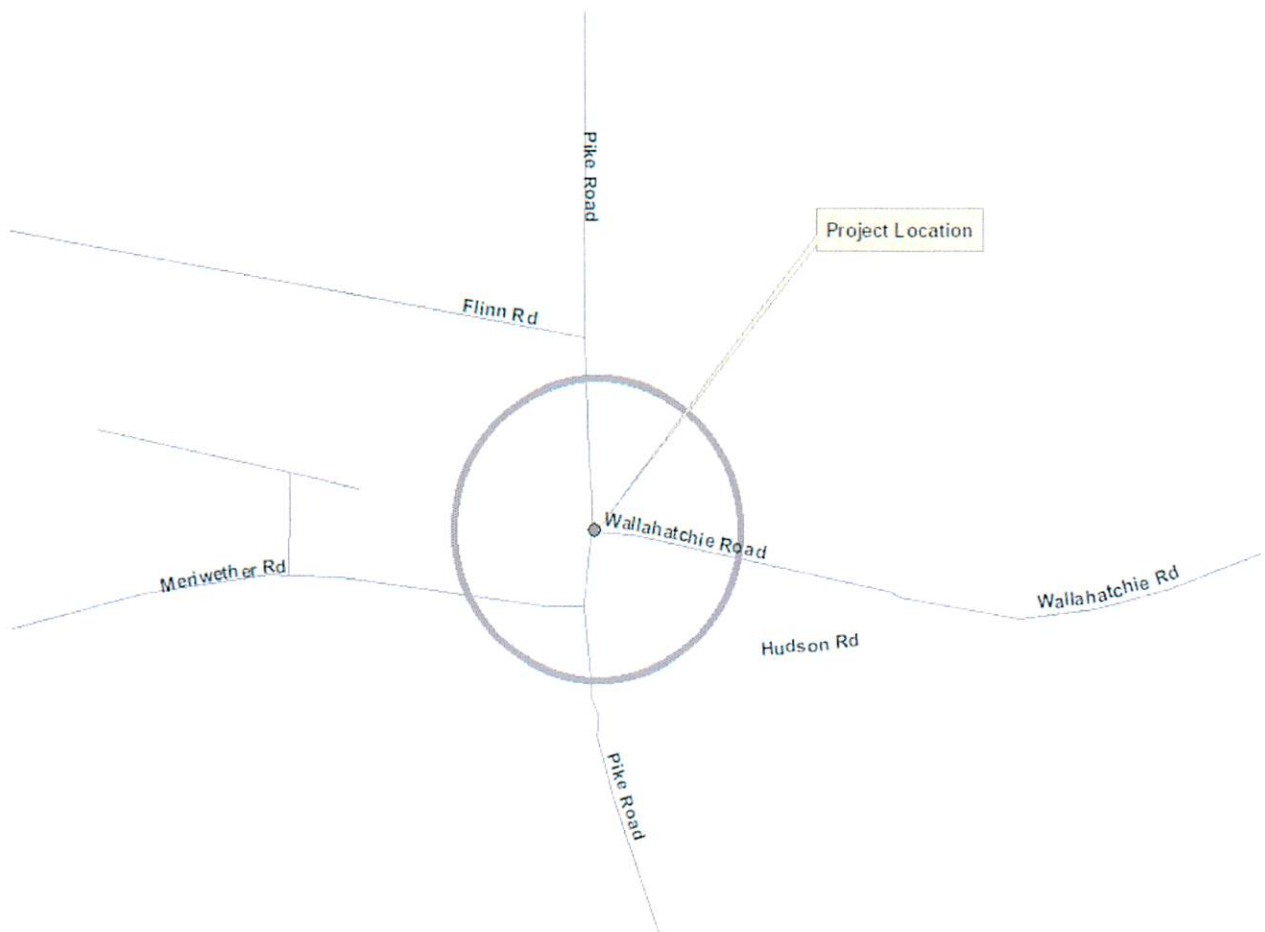
Project Description: **Intersection Improvements at Wallahatchie Road at Pike Road**

Distance: **0 miles**

Funding Source: **Surface Transportation Program Maintenance Funds (STPMN)**

FEDERAL PROJECT CODE:	PROJECT SCOPE:	PROJECT START DATE:	FISCAL YEAR:	FEDERAL FUNDS:	LOCAL MATCH:	TOTAL FUNDS:
STPMN	CN	3/2/23	2023	\$280,000	\$70,000	\$350,000

Cost increase from \$47,000 to \$350,000 (\$303,000 total increase) total dollars. Project was supposed to have been increased to \$350,000 in Covid Relief funds but was not, and now that Covid Relief funds are no longer available this request is for the balance of project funds needed for preliminary engineering (PE).



TIP Project Number: **ST-51-AM** Sponsor: **State of Alabama** State Project Code: **100077277**

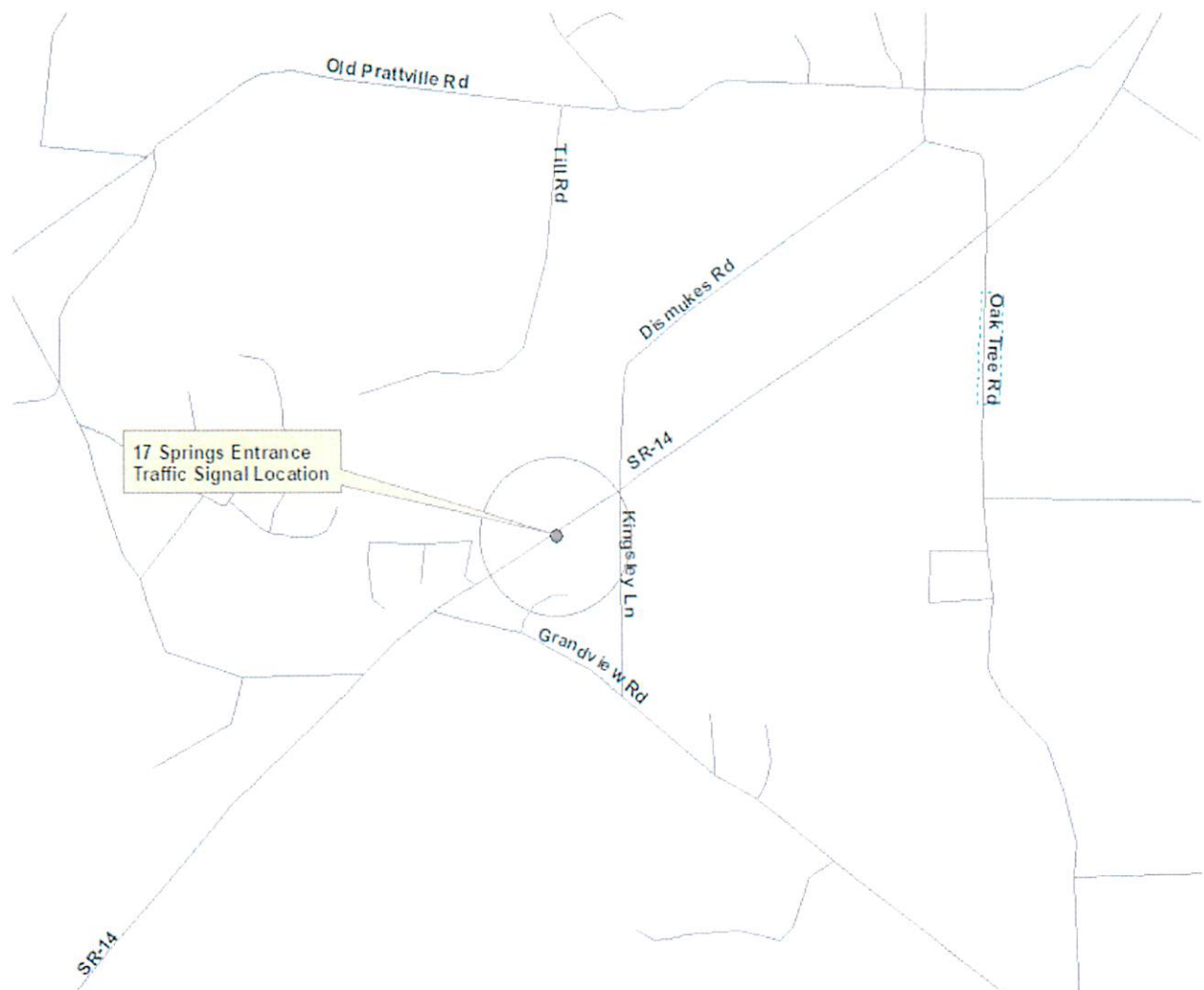
Functional Classification: **Principal Arterial**

Project Description: **Intersection improvements and signal installation at SR-14 and 17 Springs Entrance**

Distance: **0 miles**

Funding Source: **Surface Transportation Program Any Area Funds (STPAA)**

FEDERAL PROJECT CODE:	PROJECT SCOPE:	PROJECT START DATE:	FISCAL YEAR:	FEDERAL FUNDS:	STATE MATCH:	TOTAL FUNDS:
STPAA	PE	8/1/23	2023	\$80,000	\$20,000	\$100,000



ADOPTED THIS THE 20th DAY OF MAY, 2023



Mr. Charles Linright, MPO Chairman

ATTEST:



Mr. Robert Smith, Planning Director/MPO Secretary

RES-21-2020-2023 – 22ST FOR FY-2020-2023 TIP

Montgomery MPO Resolution Adopting The Draft Fiscal Year 2024 UPWP

**Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Resolution Adopting The Draft Fiscal Year 2024 Unified Planning Work Program**

WHEREAS, the Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (amended by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, November 2021); Section 11201, 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93; and

WHEREAS the U.S. Department of Transportation requires all urbanized areas, as established by the U.S. Bureau of the Census, doing area-wide urban transportation planning, to submit a Unified Planning Work Program as a condition for meeting the provisions of Title 23, U.S. Code, Section 134 and 135; and

WHEREAS consistent with the declaration of these provisions, the Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Planning Staff, in cooperation with the Alabama Department of Transportation, has prepared a Draft Unified Planning Work Program for Fiscal Year 2024 and,

WHEREAS pursuant to its duties, functions, and responsibilities, the Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) on this the 20th Day of July, 2023, did review and evaluate the aforementioned Draft Fiscal Year 2024 Unified Planning Work Program, summarized on the attached pages; now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Montgomery Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) that the same does hereby endorse and adopt said *Draft Fiscal Year 2024 Unified Planning Work Program* as written.



Chairman Charles Jinright, MPO Chairman

Date: July 20, 2023

ATTEST:



Robert Smith, MPO Secretary