

## MINUTES SUATS POLICY COMMITTEE

**POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** The Honorable Joseph T. McElveen; The Honorable James T. McCain, Chairman; County Councilman James Byrd; Mr. Curtis Spencer, CTC; Mr. Dennis Bolen, Planning Commission Chairman; Senator J. Thomas McElveen

**OTHERS PRESENT:** (See attachment)

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. George McGregor, Planning Director; Mr. Jeff Derwort, Senior Planner; Wanda Scott, Board Secretary

A meeting of the Sumter Urban Area Transportation Study (SUATS) Policy Committee was held on Monday, February 11, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located on the Fourth Floor of the Sumter Opera House, 21 N. Main Street., Sumter, SC. The Honorable Joseph T. McElveen called the meeting to order.

Motion made by Mr. Curtis Spencer and seconded by Vice-Chairman James McCain carried a unanimous vote to approve the agenda for the February 11, 2019, meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Curtis Spencer and seconded by Vice-Chairman James McCain carried a unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018, meeting as read.

### **SUATS 2045 LRTP Amendment & Resolution Incorporating FAST Act 2015-2019 Safety Performance Targets**

Mr. Jeff Derwort stated the first item of business was consideration of a resolution to amend the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and a resolution to support the 2015-2019 Safety Performance Measure Targets. This is a FAST Act requirement for MPOs to look at performance measures as part of performance based initiatives to make sure projects that are being programmed are meeting these performance measure goals. These safety standards are annual and come before the Policy Committee each year. Mr. Derwort stated there was the option for MPOs to adopt the statewide targets, which is before the committee today, or to develop their own safety targets. He stated staff will be evaluating specific MPO target measures for safety next year, but at this time staff is recommending the statewide targets be adopted. He stated this is support

of the statewide target numbers and amend the LRTP to support the statewide targets.

Motion made by Mr. Curtis Spencer, seconded by Vice-Chairman McCain carried a unanimous vote to approve the SUATS 2045 LRTP amendment and resolution to incorporate FAST Act 2015-2019 Safety Performance Targets.

**SUATS LRTP Amendment & Resolution incorporating FAST Act 2018-2021 Performance Targets (Bridge & Pavement Condition, Travel Time Reliability)**

Mr. Derwort stated this is an amendment and resolution pertaining specifically to bridge and pavement conditions and travel time reliability performance measures. He stated staff is putting forth the SCDOT Statewide Targets and that is actually the recommendation from SCDOT of two year and four year goals for these target measures. He stated staff will also be looking to evaluate our own standards specific to the MPO for the next time frame, which will be the two year period.

Motion made by Vice-Chairman James McCain and seconded by Senator Thomas McElveen carried a unanimous vote to approve the SUATS LRTP amendment and resolution to incorporate FAST Act 2018-2021 Performance Targets (Bridge & Pavement Condition, Travel Time Reliability).

**Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Correction/Amendment Policy**

Mr. Derwort stated this agenda item is a TIP correction and amendment policy. This is simply putting into written policy how we handle changes to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that in 2016, SCDOT adopted a STIP policy that clarifies, at the state level, which STIP changes can be made administratively and which TIP changes must be brought to SCDPT Commission for approval. This resolution would formalize implementation of this policy at the MPO level. Essentially, TIP changes that are defined as "Administrative Corrections" can be approved by the Executive Director without being forwarded to the Policy Committee. TIP changes that are considered "Amendments" must be approved by the Policy Committee.

Motion made by Mr. Curtis Spencer, seconded by Vice-Chairman James McCain carried a unanimous vote to approve the TIP correction and amendment policy.

**TIP Amendment – Inclusion Manning Ave. Bridge Replacement**

Mr. Derwort stated this item is a TIP Amendment to include the Manning Ave. Bridge Replacement Project in the SUATS TIP. He stated funding for the project

includes non-Guideshare Statewide Program federal funds and 2.5 million of Sumter County local option sales tax funds (Penny for Progress).

Motion made by Mr. Curtis Spencer, seconded by Senator Thomas McElveen carried a unanimous vote to approve the TIP amendment to include the Manning Ave. Bridge Project.

**Project Update**

Mr. George McGregor gave an update on the following projects:

- Lafayette Dr. Project – construction is underway.
- N. Main St. / Manning Ave. – is in design, will have ROW plans to SCDOT in February. ROW acquisition will begin at the end of 2019.
- Pinewood Rd./McCrays Mill Rd. – next SUATS project to go out for bid in late 2019 with construction to begin 2020.

With no further business, Vice-Chairman McCain made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 3:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Curtis Spencer and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Wanda F. Scott*

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