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TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO
FROM: Robert W. Cook, AICP
MUMPO Secretary
DATE: November 10, 2010
SUBJECT: November 2010 MPO Meeting
Wednesday, November 17, 2010

The November 2010 meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MUMPO) is scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, 2010. The education session will begin at 6:00 PM and the meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. The education session and the meeting will both take place in Room 267 of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, located at 600 E. Fourth St., Charlotte.

The MPO agenda and related material are attached to this memorandum. Please contact me at 704-336-8643 if you have any questions.

HOW TO ACCESS THE MEETING LOCATION:

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center is located at 600 E. Fourth St. (corner of Fourth and Davidson streets) in uptown Charlotte. Parking is available in the Government Center parking deck located on Davidson St. between Third and Fourth streets; on-street parking is also available.

Enter the Government Center on the Davidson St. side through the ground-level door located to the right of the large staircase. (This is a handicapped accessible entrance.) Use the call box located next to the door to contact security staff. Inform them you are attending the MUMPO meeting. Once inside the building, security staff will assist you to Room 267.

Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization

November 17, 2010

Room 267-Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center

6:00 PM Education Session

Topic: Project Development: From Concept to Ribbon Cutting

Presenters: Bill Coxe & Barry Moose

7:00 PM Meeting Agenda

1. **Call to Order** Ted Biggers
2. **Approval of Minutes** Ted Biggers
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve September meeting minutes as presented.
3. **Citizen Comment Period**
4. **CATS TIP Amendment** David McDonald
ACTION REQUESTED: Approve the proposed TIP amendment as presented.

BACKGROUND: The Federal Transit Administration has awarded CATS a total of \$1,949,600 in funding for two projects from the State of Good Repair grant program. A MTIP/STIP amendment reflecting this award is required in order to begin drawing down on the amount.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the TIP.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution and background information.
5. **FY 11 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment** Robert Cook
ACTION REQUESTED: Amend the UPWP as presented.

BACKGROUND: See attached memorandum.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the UPWP as presented.

ATTACHMENT: Explanatory memorandum; draft resolution.
6. **NCDOT 2011 Bicycle & Pedestrian Grant Initiative** Dryw Blanchard
ACTION REQUESTED: Endorse the Town of Wingate's proposal for a grant from NCDOT's Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative.

BACKGROUND: Application requirements require MPO endorsement of the grant applications.

TCC RECOMMENDATION: The Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO endorse Wingate's proposal.

ATTACHMENT: Wingate Pedestrian Plan Outline.

- 7. Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** Robert Cook
ACTION REQUESTED: Provide recommendations on key issues.
- BACKGROUND: Significant milestones in the TIP development process are approaching. MPO and TCC leadership will need to meet in the very near future with NCDOT officials to negotiate the TIP's content. In addition, work needs to begin soon on the conformity process. Therefore it is important that recommendations on key issues be made by the MPO. See the attached memorandum for more information.*
- TCC RECOMMENDATION: See the attached memorandum.*
- ATTACHMENT: Draft TIP Memorandum.*
- 8. Small Project Ranking** Lauren Blackburn
ACTION REQUESTED: Terminate work on the small project ranking project.
- BACKGROUND: The small project ranking process was suggested by the MPO as a way to leverage funds for "small" projects. After several attempts to define, compile a list of, and determine a funding source for "small" projects, it was recommended at a Transportation Staff meeting that the TCC make a recommendation on how to proceed, if at all, with the process.*
- TCC RECOMMENDATION: The Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that TCC members should continue to work closely with their MUMPO delegates to identify projects eligible for Division 10 NCDOT "small project" funding or STP-DA funding. Individual municipalities should contact NCDOT Division 10 staff to discuss candidate projects.*
- 9. Regional Transportation Planning Study** Rebecca Yarbrough
ACTION REQUESTED: Provide comments on the study's recommendations.
- BACKGROUND: The Centralina COG is scheduled to release its Regional Transportation Planning Study on November 15.*
- 10. Waxhaw Parkway Alignment Study Update** Steve Blakley
ACTION REQUESTED: FYI
- BACKGROUND: MUMPO contracted with Kimley-Horn to perform an Alignment Study of the Waxhaw Parkway. The presentation will include both the analysis of the currently proposed alignment as well as some possible alternate alignments identified during the preliminary design portion of the Study. The Study is presently in the Final Design stage and is expected to be complete by the end of the year.*
- 11. Adjourn**

MECKLENBURG-UNION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center Conference Room 267
September 15, 2010 Meeting
Summary Minutes

Members Attending:

David Howard (Charlotte), Jim Bensman (Cornelius), Brian Jenest (Davidson), Sarah McAulay (Huntersville), James Taylor (Matthews), Ted Biggers (Mint Hill), John Ashcraft (Monroe), Jim Eschert (Pineville), Lynda Paxton (Stallings), Daune Gardner (Waxhaw), Nancy Anderson (Weddington), Brad Horvath (Wesley Chapel), John Collett (NC BOT)

Non-Voting Members: Joel Randolph (Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission)

1. Call to Order

MPO Chairman Ted Biggers called the September 2010 MUMPO meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Chairman Biggers indicated that the agenda would be revised to move agenda item #7 (Charlotte Railroad Corridor Improvements) to the top of the agenda.

2. Charlotte Railroad Corridor Improvements

Presenters:

Michael Shumsky & Matthew Simmons, NCDOT-Rail Division

Summary:

Mr. Shumsky and Mr. Simmons presented information to the MPO via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes. The presentation covered the following points:

- North Carolina received over \$500 million in economic stimulus funds
- The funds will be devoted to track improvements between Charlotte and Raleigh
- Local projects include
 - Constructing a grade separation between the CSX and Norfolk Southern railroads in Charlotte's Fourth Ward neighborhood
 - Installing a second track between Junker (Mecklenburg County) and Haydock (Cabarrus County)
- The double track project will result in curve realignments, bridge improvements and the installation of new signal systems.

3. Approval of Minutes

Summary:

Chairman Biggers asked if everyone had an opportunity to review the July 2010 minutes and called for a motion.

Motion:

David Howard made a motion to approve the July 2010 minutes as presented. Sarah McAulay seconded the motion. The July 2010 minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Citizen Comment Period

Summary:

There were no public comments.

5. Lake Norman Bike Plan

Presenter:

Blair Israel, Centralina COG

Summary:

Mr. Israel stated that the Lake Norman bike plan had been presented to the MPO earlier in the year for an "endorsement," but NCDOT now wants the affected MPOs, RPOs and municipalities to "adopt" the plan. The request before the MPO was to adopt the plan and to authorize the MPO chairman to sign a memorandum of understanding (MOU) that set forth the commitments of participating agencies. Mr. Howard asked

if there were plans to ensure that the routes associated with the plan could be used as transportation routes. Mr. Israel replied that one of the plan's goals is to make bicycling a more feasible transportation mode. Mayor Anderson expressed doubt that residents will use bicycles for transportation. She also expressed concern about the project diverting funds from roadway projects.

Motion:

Mr. Howard made a motion to adopt the Lake Norman Bike Plan and to authorize the MPO chairman to sign the MOU. John Collett seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed with one dissenting vote cast by the Town of Weddington.

6. FY 11 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment

Presenter:

Robert Cook

Summary:

Mr. Cook stated that the request was twofold: to reallocate \$56,624 in Planning (PL) funds and to change the description of the Town of Davidson's transportation planning project.

The reallocation was presented as follows:

1. Reallocate \$50,000 from Task Code VI-12, Management & Operations, to Task Code VI-10, Corridor Projection Studies. The towns of Matthews and Stallings will each receive \$25,000 to participate in a transportation plan with Indian Trail.
2. Reallocate \$6,624 from Task Code VI-12, Management & Operations, to Task Code III-3, Travel Model Updates. This will support overall travel demand model maintenance.

Regarding the change to Davidson's project, the Town had sought the funds to assist in the preparation of study of the NC 115/Potts-Sloan-Beary corridor. Due to the Town's Board of Commissioners not including matching funds in its FY 11 budget, the PL funds will be used to support the preparation of a downtown parking study.

Motion:

Ms. McAulay made a motion to amend the FY 11 UPWP as presented. Mr. Howard seconded the motion. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Monroe Parkway Project Status Update

Presenter:

Reid Simons, NCTA

Summary:

Ms. Simons presented information to the MPO via a Power Point presentation, the contents of which are incorporated into the minutes. The presentation covered the following points:

- Record of decision (ROD)-signed in August
- The right-of-way (ROW) process will begin soon-approximately 500 parcels will have ROW or easement claims
- Bond sales and overall financial schedule
- Toll operations, including location of toll zones
- Transponder program

8. Small Project Ranking

Presenter:

Lauren Blackburn, TCC Representative, Town of Davidson & Barry Moose, NCDOT Division 10 Engineer

Summary:

Chairman Biggers requested that Mr. Moose review the highlights of a presentation from the May 2010 meeting. Mr. Moose briefly reviewed his presentation, covering some of the funding sources he uses to fund small projects. Jim Bensman stated that he preferred removing a percentage of equity funds for use on small projects and asked if

doing so would affect existing projects. Mr. Moose stated that there would be an impact, and that some projects might have to be delayed. Ms. McAulay recommended that the TCC continue to work on the project and that this topic should be added to the November agenda for a final decision.

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

MPO Education Session

The regular MPO meeting was preceded by an education session at 6:00 PM. The education session was focused on a review of the draft 2012-2018 TIP, as well as information on how to interpret the TIP as prepared by NCDOT.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO

FROM: E. David McDonald, II

SUBJECT: TIP Amendments for November 2010

DATE: November 10, 2010

The Charlotte Area Transit System has been aggressively applying for competitive national grants. These efforts have resulted in award of federal grant funds for several projects which will require a TIP amendment to receive the funding. The projects and the corresponding financial awards are described below:

- Maintenance and restoration of vehicle maintenance equipment at the Tryon Street and N. Davidson St. bus garages. Project grant amount: \$1,949,600.
- Development of asset management system to track the condition agency's fleet, facilities and equipment. Project grant amount: \$400,000.
- Solar panel purchase and installation (TIGGER II). Project grant amount: \$1,000,000.
- Purchase of paratransit replacement buses. Project grant amount: \$421,580.

The attached resolution amends the requisite TIP projects to enable the approval and programming of the individual grants.

At its November meeting, the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the TIP.

RESOLUTION

ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE MECKLENBURG-UNION URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FY2009-FY2015

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by MPO Member _____ for the adoption of the resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan adopted by the Metropolitan Transit Commission provides the basis for the transit component of the *2035 Long Range Transportation Plan*; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization has reviewed the FY2009-2015 Transportation Improvement Program and found the need to amend it to be consistent with the 2030 Corridor System Plan; and

WHEREAS, the funding source for these projects is from various federal grant awards, local and state transit funds; and

WHEREAS, the following amendments have been proposed:

Existing

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TW-5104	Charlotte	STATE OF GOOD REPAIR – BUS AND RAIL	FUZ \$ 5,041,000 STAT \$ 630,000 LOCAL \$ 631,000 TOTAL \$ 6,302,000	2011

Modify

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TW-5104	Charlotte	STATE OF GOOD REPAIR – BUS AND RAIL	FUZ \$ 5,041,000 FMOD \$ 1,949,600 STAT \$ 630,000 LOCAL \$ 1,118,400 TOTAL \$ 8,739,000	2011

Existing

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TG-4726	Charlotte	MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT	FUZ \$ 560,000 LOCAL \$ 140,000 TOTAL \$ 700,000	2011

Modify

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TG-4726	Charlotte	MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT	FUZ \$ 560,000 FED \$ 1,000,000 LOCAL \$ 240,000 TOTAL \$ 1,800,000	2011

Existing

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TA-4711	Charlotte	EXPANSION AND REPLACEMENT STS PARATRANSIT BUSES	FUZ \$ 1,500,000 STATE \$ 187,000 LOCAL \$ 188,000 TOTAL \$ 1,875,000	2011

Modify

<u>ID No.</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Funding</u>	<u>FFY</u>
TA-4711	Charlotte	EXPANSION AND REPLACEMENT STS PARATRANSIT BUSES	FUZ \$ 1,500,000 FED \$ 421,580 STATE \$ 239,697 LOCAL \$ 240,698 TOTAL \$ 2,401,975	2011

WHEREAS, these amendments reflect competitive grant awards for four projects – described in the attached memo; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the Transportation Improvement Program be amended as outlined above; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organization finds that the proposed amendment is for projects that are exempt from the requirements to determine air quality conformity; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments are consistent with the *2035 Long Range Transportation Plan* (which has a planning horizon year of 2035), and meets all the requirements in 23 CFR 450.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization that the FY2009-FY2015 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program dated June, 2008, for the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area is amended as listed above on this the 17st day of November, 2010.

Ted Biggers, Chairman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary



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TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO
FROM: Robert W. Cook, AICP
MUMPO Secretary
DATE: November 10, 2010
SUBJECT: **FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment**

Background

In October 2009, NCDOT informed the state’s MPOs that the USDOT had rescinded Planning (PL) funds from North Carolina. In a letter dated September 8, 2010, NCDOT’s Transportation Planning Branch advised MUMPO that our rescinded funds have been replaced in full. The total amount of funding that must be programmed is \$291,642.

Programming Recommendation

Staff recommends that the funds in question be allocated in the following manner:

1. Updates and improvements to the transportation database.

- a. digitizing thoroughfares
- b. research on data sources
- c. data manipulation
- d. populating the database
- e. map production for the QA/QC process
- f. Title VI, TIP, CTP, etc. map production
- g. computer hardware and software

Total cost: \$62,040

Task code: II-10, GIS Analysis & Mapping

2. Development of web-based, interactive project information that provides essential information about transportation projects in the planning area.

- a. gathering requirements
- b. application design
- c. integration/coordination with information technology staff
- d. testing
- e. deployment
- f. maintenance

Total cost: \$30,000

Task code: V-4, Transportation Improvement Program

3. Updates to land use information that will be crucial to the development of the next LRTP.

- a. field work
- b. map production
- c. data entry

Total cost: \$114,600

Task code: II-10, GIS Analysis & Mapping

4. A thoroughfare alignment study in Monroe.

- a. Development and evaluation of an alignment for the proposed 601 South Connector, which is intended to serve as a connector between the future Monroe Connector/Bypass and US 601 South.

Total cost: \$30,000

Task code: VI-10, Corridor Protection & Special Studies

5. Additional travel demand modeling support.

Total cost: \$55,002

Task code: III-3, Travel Model Updates

Technical Coordinating Committee Recommendation

At its November 4 meeting, the TCC unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the FY 11 UPWP as presented.

RESOLUTION

TO AMEND THE FY 2011 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR THE MECKLENBURG-UNION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

A motion was made by MPO Member _____ and seconded by MPO Member _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, a comprehensive and continuing transportation planning program must be carried out cooperatively in order to ensure that funds for transportation projects are effectively allocated to the Mecklenburg-Union Urban Area; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) adopted the FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) on May 19, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Planning (PL) funds previously rescinded are now being allocated to the MPO; and

WHEREAS, the MPO finds a need to amend the FY 2011 UPWP in the following manner in order to allocate the previously rescinded funds:

- 1) Updates and improvements to the transportation database.
Total cost: \$62,040
Task code: II-10, GIS Analysis & Mapping
- 2) Development of web-based, interactive project information that provides essential information about transportation projects in the planning area.
Total cost: \$30,000
Task code: V-4, Transportation Improvement Program
- 3) Updates to land use information that will be crucial to the development of the next LRTP.
Total cost: \$114,600
Task code: II-10, GIS Analysis & Mapping
- 4) A thoroughfare alignment study in Monroe.
Total cost: \$30,000
Task code: VI-10, Corridor Protection & Special Studies
- 5) Additional travel demand modeling support.
Total cost: \$55,002
Task code: III-3, Travel Model Updates; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee unanimously recommended that the MPO amend the UPWP as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby amends the FY 2011 Unified Planning Work Program for the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization in the manner stated above.

I, Ted Biggers, Chairman of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, duly held on this the 17th day of November, 2010.

Ted Biggers, Chairman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary

North Carolina Department of Transportation
Division of
Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation

2011 Call for Proposals

The Town of Wingate is preparing a Pedestrian Planning Grant application to be submitted to the NC DOT. Therefore, I need to ask that MUMPO consider passing a resolution supporting our application.

Vision: To develop a plan that will provide a comprehensive pedestrian system in promoting walking as a healthy alternative to the use of vehicular transportation.

- * Sidewalks
- * Greenways
- * Walking trails

We want to physically connect the existing communities, housing developments, Wingate Elementary School and Wingate University to the area of the town.

Goal: “To provide safe and convenient mobility for all age groups living in the Town of Wingate.”

Accomplish by:

- * A complete inventory of existing pedestrian infrastructure to include age, material and condition of existing facilities
- Inventory of existing streets without sidewalks or other pedestrian infrastructures
- Inventory of existing town-owned property or rights-of way for use as greenways or walking trails
- Determination of specific areas which could provide the highest potential for pedestrian inter-connectivity

Development of a pedestrian master plan helps to fulfill two goals in the Wingate 2020 Master Plan. Development of a greenway master plan is identified as a short term goal (1 – 3 years), and implementation of transportation infrastructure improvements on downtown streets is a medium term goal (3 – 5 years). A pedestrian master plan, coupled with the existing greenway planning grant already received from Clean Water Management Trust, can help to move the town closer to completing these goals.

Proposal: Paid Consultant
Town staff – input and assistance
Town Council Appoints Pedestrian Steering Committee

Planning Process: 1. Vision 2. Concept 3. Goals 4. Inventory Review
(Consultant) 5. Preliminary Priority 6. Draft Document 7. Final Draft

Budget: NCDOT Planning Funds Requested: \$20,000.
Local Match: \$ 5,000.
Total Cost for Plan Development \$25,000.

RESOLUTION

ENDORISING THE BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLANNING GRANT PROPOSAL OF THE TOWN OF WINGATE

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by MPO Member _____ for the adoption of the resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has issued a call for projects for the Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the rules associated with the Program require MPO endorsement of projects in urban areas; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wingate will use the grant to create a plan to develop a comprehensive pedestrian system to promote walking as an alternative to the use of vehicular transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization has consistently supported bicycle and pedestrian planning initiatives by its member jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee reviewed the proposal and recommended that it be endorsed by the MPO.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization that it endorses the Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant proposal of the Town of Wingate on this the 17th day of November 2010.

I, Ted Biggers, Chairman of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Mecklenburg-Union Metropolitan Planning Organization, duly held on November 17, 2010.

Ted Biggers, Chairman

Robert W. Cook, Secretary



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TO: Mecklenburg-Union MPO
FROM: Robert W. Cook, AICP
MUMPO Secretary
DATE: November 10, 2010
SUBJECT: **Draft 2012-2018 Transportation Improvement Program**

Background

The draft TIP review process has resulted in the identification of several issues that need to be addressed by the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) and the MPO. Providing greater clarity on these matters will allow staff and the MPO and TCC leadership to negotiate the TIP's content.

Guidance sought from the MPO at this meeting will not constitute final action on the TIP, it will merely provide staff with direction on how to proceed on the most significant matters. It is anticipated that the MPO will be asked to take more formal action at the January meeting.

Listed below are the key issues identified thus far in the TIP development process, along with recommendations from the TCC.

1. Issue: Proposed Project Delays

Does the MPO wish to pursue restoring funding to any of the projects?
The following projects have been proposed to be delayed by NCDOT:

I-4750	I-77 widening
I-3311	I-77 widening
R-211EC	I-485/Weddington Road interchange
U-209B	Independence Boulevard widening
U-2507	Sugar Creek Road Extension/Mallard Creek Road relocation
U-2547	Charles Street widening
U-3809	Indian Trail Road widening
U-3825	Stallings Road widening
U-4024	US 601 widening and US 74 interchange improvements

TCC Recommendation:

1. Pursue additional information on R-211EC and U-4024
2. Let other delays stand
 - a. I-4750 delays ROW acquisition only
 - b. I-3311 does not add capacity
 - c. U-209B is a brief delay

Note: Indian Trail and Stallings have proposed to redirect funding from the U-3809 and U-3825 projects to fund the widening of a portion of Old Monroe Road. Additional information on the proposal is needed. This affects TIP project U-4714 which funds a planning and environmental study on Old Monroe Road.

2. Issue: Proposed Project Accelerations

Does the MPO wish to not accelerate any of the projects?

Schedules for the following projects have been proposed to be accelerated by NCDOT:

I-4733	I-77 Catawba Avenue interchange modification
R-2555	W. Catawba Avenue widening
R-4902	I-485 widening
U-4913	Idlewild Road widening (from I-485 to Stevens Mill Road)

TCC Recommendation: No changes are recommended.

3. Issue: Unfunded Projects

Does the TCC wish to request that any or all of the projects remain listed in the TIP?

NCDOT has proposed to remove Unfunded projects from the TIP. The affected projects are those having no funds attached and for which there is no legislative mandate to complete:

R-3802	NC 16 widening (Union County)
R-2706	NC 73 widening
U-213	Charlotte Avenue widening
U-2549	Monroe Northern Loop, (US 74 to Walkup Avenue)
U-3619	Secrest Avenue extension
U-5007	NC 51 widening (Matthews-Mint Hill Road to Lawyers Road)
U-2547	Charles Street widening
U-4024	US 601 widening and US 74 interchange improvements*
U-203	Airport Entrance Road (Charlotte)
U-2704	Wilkinson Boulevard (Wilkinson Blvd/BG Parkway improvements)
U-4705	Belmont-Mt. Holly Northern Loop (new bridge over Catawba River)

TCC Recommendation: The TIP is a funding document and Unfunded projects should not be included.

**Additional information on this project is being pursued.*

4. Issue: Rea Road Extension (U-3467)

Does the TCC support funding this project?

The TIP includes \$2 million in construction funds for the “A” section of the project which is a 1000 foot section of the project starting at NC 16. A developer was to construct the remaining portion of the road to NC 84, but the proposed development is defunct.

TCC Recommendation: More information is needed for this project.

5. Issue: STP Funding to CATS (U-5210)

Does the TCC support providing \$1.5 million in Surface Transportation Funds to CATS?

TCC Recommendation: Funding is supported due to it being directed to a capital project-replacement of the fuel farm at the N. Davidson St. garage.

6. Issue: Including Augustalee projects in the TIP

Does the TCC support including the five Augustalee projects in the TIP?

- I-5126 I-77 widening
- I-5127 Westmoreland Road interchange
- U-5128 Statesville Road widening
- U-5130 Jim Cooke Road, construct new road, Bailey Rd to Northcross Dr Ext
- U-5131 Northcross Dr, construct new road, Jim Cooke Rd (prop) to Eagle Ridge Way Drive

TCC Recommendation:

1. Keep the I-77 widening (I-5126) and interchange project (I-5127) in the TIP
2. Drop Statesville Road (U-5128), Jim Cooke Road (U-5130) and Northcross Drive (U-5131)-these projects are not regionally significant
3. U-5131 will be dropped but will remain in TIP as U-5108 (STP-DA project)

This was not unanimously supported by the TCC. When put to a vote, the motion passed with 10 yea votes and 8 nay votes.

7. Issue: STP-DA Projects

Are there any funded STP-DA projects that are no longer viable, thereby allowing funding to be redirected?

TCC Recommendation: No recommendations provided at the meeting; additional information on several projects still needed.

1. U-5110, McKee Road/CSX grade separation: substantial additional funding needed; source not yet identified
2. U-3850, I-277/I-77 interchange: project no longer funded with STP-DA funds, but need to determine where funds went
3. U-5108, Northcross Drive: previously discussed; Cornelius to build as an STP-DA project
4. U-5116, Little Rock Road relocation: City needs to resolve issues

Other Issues

Issue: CATS streetcar project

\$24M received for streetcar triggers need to:

- a) amend current 09-15 TIP when new TIP is adopted in May
- b) amend LRTP due to project crossing HYs (exist: 2035, prop: 2025)

Issue: I-3311E

- a) funds should go to a project to fund HOT lanes conversion project on I-77

Issue: I-77 managed lanes project

- a) keep/establish an I-77 project in the TIP for a managed lane project
- b) use CMAQ (local and statewide), I-3311E and other sources for funding

Issue: Independence Blvd

- a) explore what can be put together for Independence Blvd between end of U-209B project and I-485