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GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

August 31, 2023 M-I-N-U-T-E-S

The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Thursday, August 31, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the GRADD Office. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Adam O'Nan, Union County Judge/Executive
Curtis Dame, McLean County Judge/Executive
Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive
David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Jason Burden)
Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Randy Norman)
Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) District Office 2
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (Rep. by Melissa Evans)
Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro
Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center
Shelby Basham, Trucking Representative
Dan Lanham, Audubon Area Community Services/Green River Intra-County Transit
System (AACS/GRITS)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Missy Vanderpool, Henderson Economic Development
Tristan Durbin, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police (KSP) – Post 16
Mayor Brad Staton, City of Henderson
Suzanne Craig, Green River District Health Department
Larry Tellman, Citizens Representative
Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative
Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitor's Bureau
Candance Brake, President of Greater Owensboro Chamber
Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Citizens Representative



Steve Henry, Chairman | Adam O'Nan, Vice Chairman | Johnny "Chic" Roberts, Secretary | Curtis Dame, Treasurer | Joanna Shake, Executive Director



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GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Nick Hall, KYTC District Office 2
Keirsten Jaggers, KYTC
Janie Marksberry, Daviess County Fiscal Court
Gina Boaz, Michael Baker International
Kevin McClearn, AEI
Amber Gebhard, GRADD
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD
Tom Lovett, GRADD
Therese Payne, GRADD

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Chair Adam O'Nan called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. and noted there was a quorum.

II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Chair Adam O'Nan presented the minutes of the May 22, 2023, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Jimmy Van Cleve and seconded by Donnie Mayton to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2023, GRADD Regional Transportation Committee meeting. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. <u>Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) Boost Points Allocation</u>

Chair Adam O'Nan called on Jennifer Alvey, GIS Analyst at GRADD, to explain the method of selecting projects to boost in the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) process. Ms. Alvey explained projects are scored and ranked to provide input on the upcoming Highway Plan. The GRADD Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) has received scores on 32 projects in the region. The committee will choose nine of those projects to boost by adding 15 points to the score. The KYTC Highway District 2 Office also has boosts to use. Ideally, the district office will align their choices with the projects the RTC chooses to boost. Ms. Alvey led the committee in a discussion of the projects as the committee decided which projects to boost. The following projects were selected for boosting:

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Hancock

- KY-69 Improve connection between US-60 & Cannelton bridge at Hawesville (CHAF ID IP2016002)
- US-60 Widen from mile 2.2 in Lewisport to KY-1957 (CHAF ID IP20230095)

McLean

- KY-136 Improve alignments & address safety issues with bridges from KY-56 to Ohio County line (CHAF ID IP20150371)
- KY-81 Improve safety of the intersection of KY-81 & KY-138 by adding a conflict warning system (CHAF ID IP20230094)

Ohio

- KY-136 Improve alignments & address safety issues with seven bridges from McLean County line to US-231 (CHAF ID IP20230200)
- KY-54 Improve safety by upgrading to three lanes including curb & gutter & addressing two sharp turns (CHAF ID IP20160024)

Union

- KY-56 Address the service, safety & condition from Morganfield to KY-141 (CHAF ID IP20070110)
- US-60 Address safety & service concerns from KY-950 to KY-492 (CHAF ID IP20070108

Webster

 KY-630 - Address service concerns from KY-132 in Dixon to the Hopkins County line (CHAF ID IP20070127)

A motion was made by Jimmy Van Cleve and seconded by Curtis Dame to boost the listed projects. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. <u>SHIFT Prioritization Plan</u>

Jennifer Alvey requested approval from the Committee of the SHIFT Prioritization Plan, which was presented in draft form at the May meeting. The plan is required by KYTC.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Johnny Roberts to approve the SHIFT Prioritization Plan. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. <u>Nominating Committee</u>

Chair Adam O'Nan asked for volunteers to be on the Nominating Committee to nominate officers for next year. Curtis Dame, Johnny Roberts, and Steve Henry volunteered to be on the committee.

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A motion was made by Shelby Basham and seconded by Jimmy Van Cleve to approve the Nominating Committee. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

B. <u>Plan for Committee Activities/Presentations Fiscal Year 2024</u>

Jennifer Alvey presented the FY 2024 Plan for Committee Activities of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Donnie Mayton to approve the FY 2024 Plan for Committee Activities. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

C. Goals and Objectives FY24 Review

Jennifer Alvey shared the draft of the FY24 Goals and Objectives of the GRADD RTC for review. Approval is not required until the October meeting.

D. <u>RTC Bylaws FY24 Review</u>

Jennifer Alvey shared the draft of the FY24 GRADD Regional Transportation Committee Bylaws for review. There are no suggested changes. Approval will be required at the October meeting.

E. Major Traffic Generators List

Jennifer Alvey shared the Major Traffic Generators list with the Committee and asked members for help updating the information. If members have any noticeable issues, please contact her, as this information regarding freight, schools and parks is updated annually.

V. <u>UPDATES</u>

A. <u>Highway District Office Update</u>

Since most projects were discussed during the boost process, Deneatra Henderson asked members if they had any specific questions about projects. No questions were asked.

B. Safe Streets for ALL

Tom Lovett, MPO Coordinator, shared that GRADD has received a \$172,000 grant with \$43,000 local match from KYTC to produce a Safe Streets for All plan for the entire GRADD region, excluding the unincorporated portions of Henderson County. The project will

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examine all major roads across the seven counties and how they can be made safer for everyone – drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, etc. The final report can then serve as justification for communities seeking transportation funds to improve roads.

C. Other Updates

Jennifer Alvey discussed the 2022 Freight Plan, which is available on the KYTC website. It outlines KYTC's larger mission of freight mobility. Ms. Alvey also shared a graphic illustrating the increase of pedestrian deaths, as well as a graphic illustrating that highway construction costs may be easing (or leveling off).

VI. OTHER ITEMS

A. <u>Public Comments</u>

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Johnny Roberts made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Curtis Dame.

Judge Adam O'Nan, Chair

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