## NEW BERN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION 1 TAC MEETING MINUTES 2 3 4 5 May 22, 2014 6 The New Bern Area Metropolitan Planning Organization held its regularly scheduled meeting on 7 Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 11:00 AM in the City Hall Courtroom, 2nd floor, 300 Pollock Street. 8 9 **Members Present:** Mr. Steve Tyson – Chairman 10 Mr. John Kirkland – Mayor, River Bend Mr. Chuck Tyson – Mayor, Trent Woods (in at 11:15 am) 11 12 13 **Members Excused:** Mr. Hugh Overholt – NC Board of Transportation 14 Ms. Loretta Barren - FHWA 15 16 **Non-Voting Members:** Vacant - CARTS 17 18 19 **Members Absent:** Mr. John Chittick – Bridgeton 20 Mr. Johnnie Ray Kinsey – Vice Chairman 21 22 23 **Guests Present:** Ms. Kerry Morrow, NCDOT TPB 24 Mr. John Rouse - NCDOT 25 Mr. Jeff Cabaniss – NCDOT 26 Mr. Patrick Flanagan – Down East MPO 27 28 **Staff Present:** Mr. Jeff Ruggieri – TCC Chairman – TAC Secretary 29 Ms. Maurizia Chapman – New Bern MPO Administrator 30 Ms. Priya Nimboli - NCDOT Mr. Behshad Norowzi - NCDOT 31 32 33 1. Call to Order: Chairman Tyson called the meeting to order at 11:04 am. He requested 34 beginning the meeting with Agenda Item #8: 35 36 North Carolina Strategic Transportation Networks: Kerry Morrow, NCDOT TPB 37 38 Ms. Morrow gave a presentation on the North Carolina Strategic Transportation Networks. She 39 explained that this presentation doesn't address projects, nor does it have any effect on 40 prioritization or scoring of projects. Chairman Tyson asked what a Corridor includes. Ms. Morrow explained that a Corridor includes highways and railways with some consideration 41 42 being given to airports and seaports as well. At Chairman Tysons request she explained that 43 Activity Centers include College Campuses, Hospitals, Seaports, Airports, inland ports, Military

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Bases and Tourist Destinations.

There is a project management team with several reps from DOT and people from Atkins consultants, a steering committee of approx. 15people, which includes 2 people from railways and several from DOT; and an advisory group, which includes several people from various groups such as DENR and League of Municipalities. The consultants do the number crunching and give rank. DOT is looking into ways to factor in peak mobility for areas like tourist attractions.

June 27<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for submitting comments/feedback.

2. Roll call was taken at 11:40am and a quorum declared.

**3. Ethics Reminder:** Chairman Tyson discussed the Ethics reminder. There were no conflicts of interest issues for this meeting.

**4. Approval of today's agenda**: Mayor Tyson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Kirkland seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

 **5. Approval of the minutes of the April 24th, 2014 meeting**: Reading of the minutes was waived. Mayor Tyson made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mayor Kirkland seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

6. Selection of the City of New Bern as the recipient for Section 5303 FTA Planning Funds: Maurizia Chapman, AICP, NBAMPO Administrator

Ms. Chapman explained that the Federal Transit Agency wants the City of New Bern, as the Lead Planning Agency, to be the recipient of the Transit Planning Funds. She stated that the resolution will identify the City of New Bern as the recipient and that the TCC recommended approval.

**Motion:** Mayor Kirkland made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mayor Tyson seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

7. Selection of CARTS through Craven County as the recipient for Section 5307 FTA Urban Transit Funds: Maurizia Chapman, AICP, NBAMPO Administrator

Ms. Chapman presented the revised resolution and explained that the FTA confirmed the wording is correct. The only change from the resolution that was approved in May 2013 is the wording. TCC reviewed the resolution and recommended approval.

**Motion:** Mayor Tyson made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Mayor Kirkland seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

8. North Carolina Rail Plan: Maurizia Chapman, AICP, NBAMPO Administrator

90	Ms. Chapman explained the NCDOT Rail Division Comprehensive State Rail Plan
91	(CSRP) and stated that this plan is required under Passenger Rail Investment &
92	Improvement Act of 2008 (PRIIA) to be Eligible for federal funding. She gave each
93	member a copy of (CSRP) survey and Project Submission Form. Mayor Kirkland
94	volunteered to draft the Project Submission form to be submitted on behalf of the MPO
95	as a whole.
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97	9. Updates:
98	a. Transportation Planning Branch Update: Priya Nimbole, P.E., NCDOT
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101	Ms. Nimbole stated that the model development is on schedule and is awaiting the
102	data from Cherry Point. She hopes to be done with the first run by the end of
103	May.
104	The 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter invoice is in process.
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106	b. New Bern Area MPO Update: Maurizia Chapman, AICP, NBAMPO
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109	Ms. Chapman reported on the following:
110	<ul> <li>Jacksonville ENC MPO coalition – will be a full meeting with TAC members</li> </ul>
111	and full staff.
112	• The Highway 17 meeting.
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113	• The website is getting closer. Would still like to receive more photos from members for the website.
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116	10. Discussion: Mr. Flanagan and Ms. Chapman discussed the creation of a sub committee
117	group to help make recommendations to the TAC and will soon begin the preliminary
118	scoring of the projects that just came through. The next work group meeting will be in
119	July.
120	Ms. Chapman let TAC know about an upcoming trip for TAC and TCC members to tour
121	the Moorhead City Port.
122	Mr. Cabaniss stated there will be a public meeting regarding the NCDOT Division Two
123	Project Solicitation and Ranking Process – Prioritization 3.0 on Wednesday, May 29 <sup>th</sup>
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126	<b>11. Public Comments:</b> There were no public comments.
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128	<b>12. Adjourn:</b> There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.
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133	Steve Tyson, Chairman Jeff Ruggieri, Secretary