

1 **NEW BERN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**
2 **TCC MEETING MINUTES**

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4 **May 16, 2018**

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6 The New Bern Area Metropolitan Planning Organization held their regularly scheduled meeting
7 on Thursday, May 16, 2018 at 1:30 PM in the Development Services Conference Room, 303 First
8 Street.
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10 **Members Present:**

- 11 Mr. Jeff Ruggieri – Chair
- 12 Mr. Gene Hodges – Vice-Chair
- 13 Mr. Don Baumgardner – County of Craven
- 14 Mr. Andrew Shorter – NB Regional Airport
- 15 Ms. Kelly Walker – CARTS
- 16 Mr. David Fort – Town of Bridgeton
- 17 Mr. Delane Jackson – River Bend
- 18 Ms. Catherine Bryant – NCDOT
- 19 Ms. Diane Hampton - NCDOT
- 20 Mr. Haywood Daughtry – NCDOT
- 21 Mr. Steve Hamilton – NCDOT
- 22 Mr. Chris York – Down East RPO/ECCOG
- 23 Mr. Patrick Flanagan – Down East RPO

24 **Members Excused:**

- 25 Mr. Charles McKenna - CARTS
- 26 Ms. Nan Holton – Trent woods
- 27 Mr. Jeff Cabaniss – NCDOT
- 28 Mr. Preston Hunter – NCDOT
- 29 Mr. Behshad Norowzi – NCDOT
- 30 Mr. Bill Marley – FHWA

31 **Members Absent:**

- 32 Mr. Kevin Roberts – NB Chamber of Commerce

33 **Guests Present:**

- 34 Ms. Mary Beth Houston – NCDOT
- 35 Mr. Larry Flynn - Havelock

36 **Staff Present:**

- 37 Ms. Kimberly Maxey – New Bern Area MPO Staff

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39 **2.1. Call to Order:** Chair Ruggieri called the meeting to order.

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41 **3.2. Roll Call:** Roll Call was taken and a quorum was declared.

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43 **4.3. Approval of today’s agenda:**

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45 **Motion: Mr. Jackson made a motion approving the agenda as presented. The**
46 **motion was seconded by Mr. Hamilton and passed unanimously.**

48 **5.4.Approval of the minutes of the January 11, 2018 and March 8, 2018 meetings:**

49 Reading of the minutes was waived.

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51 **Motion: Mr. Fort made a motion to approve both the January 11 and March 8, 2018**
52 **minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shorter and passed**
53 **unanimously.**

54 **6.5.FY 2019 Meeting Schedule: *Kim Maxey***

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56 Ms. Maxey provided the proposed upcoming Fiscal Year 2019 schedule. The TCC
57 typically meets every other month, but due to the deadline requirements imposed by the
58 SPOT 5.0 process, Ms. Maxey provided an altered schedule for the following year.

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60 July 12, 2018 – regularly scheduled
61 September 13, 2018 – regularly scheduled
62 **October 11, 2018 – adjusted for SPOT**
63 January 10, 2019 – regularly scheduled
64 March 14, 2019 – regularly scheduled
65 May 9, 2019 – regularly scheduled

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67 The draft list of Programmed Regional Impact projects will be released at the end of
68 August, 2018. September 3rd, 2018, the Division Needs Local Input Point assignment
69 window opens for two months, closing on November 2nd. The MPO must have their
70 Division project scores to the NCDOT by October 26th, thus the request to hold meetings
71 in October for both boards.

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73 Ms. Maxey relayed that if the board or staff felt a need to meet during the extended
74 period of the October to January meetings, a specially called meeting would be
75 considered.

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77 **Motion: Mr. Fort made a motion to recommend TAC approval of the proposed FY**
78 **2019 meeting schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Daughtry**
79 **and passed unanimously.**

80 **7.6.Amendment No. 3 to the FY 2018-2027 Metropolitan Transportation Program: *Kim***
81 ***Maxey***

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83 Ms. Maxey provided three changes being made to the State Transportation Improvement
84 Program (STIP), including two (2) additions to the Highway Program and one (1)
85 modification to the Highway Program.

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87 The Amendment is required to ensure the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement
88 Program (MTIP) matches the STIP.

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90 **Motion: Mr. Fort made a motion to recommend TAC approval of Amendment No.**
91 **3 to the FY 2018-2027 MTIP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baumgardner and**
92 **passed unanimously.**

93 **8.7.P. 5.0 Division Projects Prioritization Ranking and Scoring:** *Kim Maxey*

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95 Ms. Maxey provided two spreadsheets to board members. She explained the first
96 spreadsheet provided information on projects that were funded at the Statewide level.
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98 With three (3) US 70 intersection improvement projects rolled into one, and the funding
99 of interchange improvements at Glenburnie Blvd. and US 70, the NBAMPO essentially
100 had four (4) projects funded at the Statewide level, totaling \$142.7 million. She relayed
101 this is quite an accomplishment for any MPO, let alone the newest and smallest in the
102 State.
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104 With these projects, the US 70/future I-42 corridor from James City to the future
105 Havelock Bypass is now funded for improvements to Interstate standards.
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107 Projects funded at the Statewide level do not require further action. This document was
108 for informational purposes only.
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110 The second spreadsheet outlines projects being considered at the Regional Level. The
111 NBAMPO has 1,100 points to allot to projects. The updated methodology states that
112 each viable projects receives 100 points, therefore 11 Regional projects can be scored.
113 The MPO only has 8 projects to score, therefore will have 300 points leftover.
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115 Of the 8 scoreable projects, not all will receive funding as the NBAMPO is competing
116 with other regions for scoring and funds.
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118 After project discussion, the board agreed to score all proposed 8 projects at 100 points
119 each, and donate the remaining 300 points to the Down East Rural Planning Organization
120 to utilize on projects specifically for the Highway 17 corridor and NC 43 corridor.
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122 **Motion: Chair Ruggieri made a motion to recommend TAC approval to score all**
123 **projects totaling 800 points, and donating remaining 300 points to DERPO for**
124 **projects along the Highway 17 and NC 43 corridors. The motion was seconded by**
125 **Mr. Fort and passed unanimously.**

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127 **9.8.Updates:**

128 **a. Transportation Planning Division Update:** *Catherine Bryant, NCDOT TPD*

- 129 • Ms. Bryant provided the NCDOT Newsletter covering statewide updates
130 on performance measures, the statewide plan, corridor studies across the
131 state, newly approved statewide freight plan, traffic forecasting
- 132 • Craven County CTP efforts continue
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134 **b. CARTS Update:** *Kelly Walker, Transit Director*

- 135 • Requested assistance in being notified of community involvement
136 opportunities, CARTS is ramping up their efforts to aid in education and
137 information distribution.
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- 140 c. **Division 2 Update:** *Diane Hampton, NCDOT*
141 Ms. Hampton provided project updates. A spreadsheet outlining the updates
142 will be provided to the board via email.
143 d. **New Bern Area MPO Update:** *Kim Maxey, MPO Staff*
144 • Presentations were made to the Bridgeton Town Council and River Bend
145 Town Council the previous week regarding coordination and explanation of
146 the Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan the MPO is funding for these member agencies.
147 Dates will be finalized after an initial kick-off conference call that will take
148 place beginning of June.
149 • Board members are invited to the Local Officials Meeting NCDOT is holding
150 for the proposed/funded NC 43 Connector (along current Trent Creek Road).
151 A public meeting will follow. This is being held Monday, May 21st.
152 • Division 2 will be holding an STI public meeting for comments on points
153 assignments. This will be held June 12th from 4-6pm at the Division 2 office
154 in Kinston, Global Transpark. More information will be provided via email.

155 **10.9. Discussion:**

156 **11.10. Adjourn**

157 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
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161 Jeff Ruggieri, Chairman

Kimberly Maxey, MPO Administrator