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Action Summary
Executive Board
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 26, 2014

ADOT, Conference Room
1801 S. Milton, Flagstaff, AZ 86001

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Chair Merrick called the meeting called to order at 8:04 a.m.

Roll Call:

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Audra Merrick, Chair (designated alternate for Hank Rogers), ADOT
Matt Ryan, Coconino County Board of Supervisors
Jeff Oravits, Flagstaff City Council
Art Babbott, Coconino County Board of Supervisors

FMPO STAFF

David Wessel, FMPO Manager
Sydney Francis, Administrative Specialist

Other:

Jeff Meilbeck, NAIPTA
Erika Mazza, NAIPTA
Dave Smith, NAIPTA
Dan Folke, Planning Director, City of Flagstaff

I. PRELIMINARY GENERAL BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dave Smith of NAIPTA gave an update on bus stop improvements made using a grant from the FMPO and additional money. The focus of the improvements was on accessibility and mobility. NAIPTA is receiving increasing amounts of positive feedback on the new bus stops, shelters, and the efficiencies of the logo stop.

Jeff Meilbeck of NAIPTA thanked the FMPO Executive Board for the \$125,000, which went to build the bus shelters. The shelters are in the ground providing service.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Babbott announced that Representative Fan came to discuss long term funding for transportation to the County Board of Supervisors meeting. The State Representatives are working on gas tax, use tax, HURF funding restoration to develop long term solutions on transportation issues.

C. APPROVAL of MINUTES.

Board Action: Mr. Ryan moved to approve the minutes from Meeting January 22, 2014. Mr. Babbott seconded the motion. All were in favor of approving the minutes from January, 22, 2014.

II. OLD BUSINESS (Continued, postponed, and tabled items.)

1. Legislative and Regulatory Update and Review

Jeff Meilbeck gave a power point presentation, "Reauthorization Equity for All", regarding Federal Reauthorization and Transit issues.

Mr. Ryan directed FMPO staff to put a letter together in support of NAIPTA's reauthorization efforts.

Mr. Wessel addressed the Board regarding pertinent Senate and House bills. Mr. Wessel brought the Board's attention to the RTAC information included in the agenda packet. Speaker Tobin is working on a bill on funding DPS, allowing HURF funding to be restored.

There was discussion only.

The Executive Board took a break at 8:46 a.m. Chair Merrick called the meeting back to order at 8:48 a.m.

2. I-11 Feasibility Study Update

A virtual comment period is open through February 28, 2014 and is available at http://i11study.com/wp/?page_id=819. Mr. Wessel gave some background on the Pima Association of Governments and the City of Tucson's resolution to support I-11. There is support and recognition for the need for improved connectivity. There was discussion only.

III. NEW BUSINESS (Continued, postponed, and tabled items.)

3. Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

Mr. Wessel presented a request by ADOT and City staff to defer two projects to later years. The Pine Knoll FUTS will be deferred for construction to FY 15. The Fourth Street Bridge FUTS trails deferred for design to FY 15 and construction to FY 17. Early notification to ADOT of this situation will allow them to make adjustments to the overall program within the State.

Board Action: Mr. Ryan moved to approve the above TIP amendments. Mr. Babbott seconded the motion. All were in Favor.

4. FY 2014 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment

Staff will request an amendment to the FY 14 Work Program to accommodate Dark Skies related LED lighting conference and research. This aligns with the TIP amendment approved by the Board where \$137,000 in the LED light program was retained for these purposes.

Board Action: Mr. Babbott moved to approve the amendments made to the FY14 UPWP. Mr. Ryan seconded the motion. All were in favor.

5. FMPO Retreat Review

Mr. Wessel gave an overview the Facilitator's report from the Executive Board Retreat and asked the Board to provide an initial organizational response to improving the mission and vision statements for the FMPO. There was discussion only.

6. FMPO Working Calendar

Mr. Wessel gave a brief overview of the FMPO working calendar included with the packet. The Arizona State Transportation Board will be coming to Flagstaff on May 9th. The FMPO is coordinating a small dinner for the Board. The agenda on the next meeting will include the work program, transportation improvement program process and legislative update. If possible, updates on I-11 and freight will be made.

The Board reintroduced the idea of moving the meeting time to a different day or a different time. 9 a.m. is better for Mr. Oravits and Mr. Ryan. A meeting time change will be submitted to the full Executive Board.

There was discussion only.

IV. CONCLUDING GENERAL BUSINESS

A. REPORTS

- 1) Technical Advisory Committee
- 2) Staff Report

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Merrick announced that JW Powell opened and lowest bid was rejected. ADOT is looking at second lowest bidder. The highway180/Snowbowl project opens March 7th.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chair Merrick adjourned the meeting 9:50 a.m.