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Date: September 1, 2017
To: Keith Earley, Chair
James Bagdonas, Vice Chair
Members of the Transportation Council
From: David Gedeon, Vice President of Transportation
Subject: **TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 6, 2017 MEETING**

This report is an update of staff activity and background on selected agenda items for our next Transportation Council meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 6, 2017. The agenda and meeting materials are available at www.tmacog.org/Transportation/trancom.htm. If you would like a hard copy or have any problems accessing any of the information, please contact Jodi Cole (ext. 120). If you have any questions or concerns on any agenda items, please contact me (ext. 125).

Financial Reports (Agenda III – for approval) – The financial reports for fiscal year 2018 beginning July 1, 2017 through July 28, 2017 is submitted for approval. With 7.66% of fiscal year 2018 completed, the overall program was under budget. A budget amendment will be presented at the October meeting that incorporates the actual FY 2018 planning funds allocated to TMACOG.

Adoption of FHWA Approved Functional Classification and NHS Designations (Agenda VI – for approval) – TMACOG received notification that the functional classification and NHS designations have been approved by FHWA. ODOT is requesting that each MPO pass a resolution formally adopt the approved roadway classifications to demonstrate compliance with statewide and MPO planning requirements under 23, USC 134 & 135.

Completion Report for the FY 2017 Annual Work Program (Agenda VII - for approval) – As a condition for receiving federal transportation planning funds, TMACOG is required to submit a Completion Report to ODOT documenting work accomplished related to our Annual Work Program. ODOT requires that the MPO Policy Board approve the Completion Report thus it is now submitted to Transportation Council for consideration prior to advancing to the TMACOG Board of Trustees. The full report and a summary are linked to the agenda web page.

Public Comment Period (Agenda VIII) – Comments from the public.

Standing and Ad Hoc Committee Reports (Agenda IX) – From Committee chairs

FY 2018-2021 TIP Amendment #2 (for approval) – TIP Amendment #2 is being presented to the Transportation Council for approval. The amendment adds four projects and modifies two at the request of ODOT. These projects do not utilize TMACOG managed funds.

FY 2018-2021 TIP Modification #2 (for approval) – TIP Modification #2 is being presented to the Transportation Council for approval. The modification adds \$92,283 of TMACOG managed Transportation Alternatives funds to the City of Perrysburg Maumee River Multi-Use Path Ph 3&4 project and splits a project at the request of the City of Waterville.

Vice President's Report (Agenda X – for discussion) – In addition to the above agenda topics and information covered in the Committee Reports, the following are other items members of Transportation Council should be aware of.

- A. The TRAC has released preliminary scores for the 13 projects submitted for the 2017 funding round. ODOT D2 submitted two projects on I-475 – one for the widening of I-475 from Central Ave to Airport Hwy including Hill Ave and Dorr St bridge replacements and the Dorr St interchange, and another project for only the Hill Ave and Dorr St bridge replacements. The widening/interchange project scored 83.3 points and the bridge replacements scored 71.3. The two projects ranked number one and two in the state. A public hearing has been scheduled for October 12th for project presentations.
- B. Royce Maniko brought up an issue at the TMACOG Board of Trustees meeting that was referred to the Transportation Council for review. He would like to present information at a future meeting and discuss ways for TMACOG, SEMCOG and Windsor, Ontario to collaborate on planning efforts for connected and autonomous vehicles. A collaboration between these entities could better position the region to take advantage of funding opportunities in the future.
- C. TMACOG is partnering with The Ability Center and the Toledo/Lucas County Commission on Disabilities to host an ADA Seminar on Friday, September 22nd from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at TMACOG. The session will provide education on the ADA regulations that apply to state and local governments.
- D. TMACOG and TARTA will be releasing a solicitation for Section 5310-Specialized Transportation applications on September 11th. A workshop will be held on September 26 to answer application related questions. Applications will be due on October 17th.
- E. Each year, Smart Growth America evaluates complete streets policies from across the nation and presents rankings for state governments, regional planning organizations, and individual municipalities. Of the 77 regional planning organizations analyzed, TMACOG's complete streets policy ranks second behind only the Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study (New York).
- F. Upcoming events:
 - **2018 TMACOG General Assembly** – January 29, 2018, Holiday Inn French Quarter, Perrysburg, 8:00 am