Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG)  
TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE  
Tuesday, October 21, 2014      10:00 a.m.  
TMACOG Board Room

NOTES

I. Welcome, review agenda  
   Attendees: Ed O’Reilly, Ron Myers, Steve Day, Rodney Shultz, Jon Zvanovec, David Gedeon,  
   Lance Dasher, Diane Reamer-Evans.

II. Status of TAP Program  
   Last funding round: applications due April 2013; review ranking table
   Current TIP financial spread sheet: of the two projects recommended for funding during the last round, Toledo Safe Routes to School Plan (SRTS) went into FY 2015 and has been completed. Chessie Circle Trail was not able to be scheduled for near-term years. Looked for funds to borrow, haven’t found.
   Requesting change in fiscal year: projects noted in red on table. ODOT District 2, Imad B’dieiri, is working on locking down FY 2016 and 2017. Moving Summit/Front Street out of FY 2015 would help our TIP, but ODOT doesn’t like to move projects once locked down. Steve Day noted trying to coordinate that project with another. City asking to move it to FY 2017.
   City of Rossford Lime City Rd. CMAQ project—ODOT may move to FY 2017
   Jackson Blvd Transit Center: Imad looking to move to FY 2017

III. Project status and scheduling  
   a. Sylvania Metamora Road Bike Path Project—held public input meeting and solicited written comments. Public support is good enough to move forward. Moving ahead; but property acquisition could be a problem. Need to take 20 feet of r-o-w from 13 properties. Don’t need a formal public hearing but need approval by County Commissioners, and don’t have “quick-take” authority that would allow County to enter the property right away despite property owner objections; would require court action. Ron hesitates to lock down the project knowing there could be delays. Doesn’t think can do project (close gaps in path) without new r-o-w. Will be able to begin working with property owners in new year. Ron likely wants to move to FY 2017 – will review with legal folks.
   b. Jackson Blvd Transit Center—TARTA/City of Toledo have a new scaled-down plan. Can this break ground on or after July 1, 2015? (Latest, June 2016?) Imad’s intent is to move to FY 2017. Do we need to see a City-TARTA agreement? TMACOG needs to contact City (Dysard) and Jim Gee, TARTA, about attending next TIP meeting.
   c. Sylvania River Trail Phase II—Sylvania wants to move to 2017.
   d. Chessie Circle Trail—City of Toledo’s application did not rank well, though it was a good project; need to review application with ODNR to figure out why, and resubmit. Next round February 1. If three projects move to 2017, Dave thinks wouldn’t have problem moving Chessie to 2016. Project has already received a project ID, and is moving forward with ODOT.
e. Other: Kilburn is in 2018; would it help if moved to 2019? Yes, in long run.

f. CMAQ: each region will get money under the new statewide selection system. Need to keep TMACOG’s “big pot” of money (STP) in balance. Need to consider who gets moved back if we move other projects forward.

g. Committee motion: recommend three projects move to FY 2017 (Sylvania-Met, River Trail, and Summit-Front) and move Chessie Circle up 2016. Recommend discussing whether Transit Center ped enhancement might be fourth project to be moved, depending on whether there is funding for the center itself. Recommend that Kilburn bike lanes move out of 2018 into FY 2020. Ron moved, Jon Zvanovec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. Other Business; Announcements

- Ohio funding programs – TE, TA, Clean OH, Rec Trails, SRTS, etc. Clean Ohio projects should be announced in October or possibly November (post-election). February 1, 2015 is next deadline. Recreational Trails is on same schedule as Clean Ohio.

- Other: OARC directors meeting tomorrow to discuss CMAQ project ranking/selection, but awaiting NOACA projects. Dave and Tony attending.

-TAP: Ed thinks we should not have another funding round for a while, possibly in two years. Ron notes there are several TAP projects that might not progress, so maybe do a round sooner. Dave: on January 20, 2015, our next meeting, we may want to review the proposed funding schedule for the new TIP to see where we are with TAP.

-STP 20% cost overrun: for TIP projects; not intended to be automatic, intended to address unanticipated problems. Perhaps this TMACOG policy should be reviewed/revised. Also, missing a monitoring meeting or not communicating with staff should have consequences.

V. Adjourn

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: January 20, 2015

Note: the January 2015 meeting was subsequently canceled due to lack of business

| Committee Meeting Schedule | Third Tuesday, first month of each quarter, 10:00 a.m. (at TMACOG)  
2015: Jan 20, Apr 21, July 21, Oct 20 |