



# Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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## HAMPO CAC MINUTES: June 23, 2020

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) on Transportation met in Room 2100 of the Historic Court House via phone/ZOOM at 100 N. Main Street in Hinesville at 5:30 PM on June 23, 2020.

### 1) CALL TO ORDER:

- Joe Kelly, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was not present at the start of the meeting. However, at 6PM we did have a quorum.

### 2) INTRODUCTIONS:

#### PRESENT

Ron Collins, CAC Chair	AASU
Joe Kelly, CAC Vice-Chair	Liberty County

Phil Odom	Gum Branch
Tim Byler	Flemington
Ernest Brown	Liberty County
Cassidy Collins	Hinesville
Bob Dodd	Walthourville
Malcolm Williams	Hinesville

#### EXCUSED:

#### ABSENT:

Jimmy Shanken	Long County
Terry Fortson	Midway
Troy Cook	Liberty County
Sylvester Moore	Hinesville
Dr. Modibo Kadalie	Riceboro

#### STAFF/GVT/Other:

Jeff Ricketson	HAMPO/LCPC
Kelly Wiggins	LCPC
Rachel Hatcher	RS&H, LCPC

#### VACANT SEATS:

Vacant	Allenhurst
Vacant	Fort Stewart
Vacant	Hinesville
Vacant	Savannah Tech

### 3) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- A motion was made by Tim Byler to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2020 meeting. The motion was seconded by Bob Dodd. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### 4) **OLD BUSINESS**

#### a. **Project and Transit Update:**

SR 38 Connector from SR/US 84 to SR 119 is under preliminary design and environmental work is ongoing. The preliminary plans are 90% complete.

SR 38/US 84 at CR 73/Old Sunbury Road is in final design and the Right-of-Way acquisition is underway. Preliminary plans are 100% complete.

SR 119 at Taylors Creek-Bridge replacement has Right-of-Way acquisition ongoing and final plans have been submitted.

CS 926/Main Street, Ryon Ave from SR 38 to Central Avenue is under a TAP grant.

CR 171/Lewis Frasier Road at Peacock Creek has PTIP in process. Adopted and bridge update is included now.

#### **Active Projects:**

I-95 resurfacing is 95% complete.

1.686 miles of milling and resurfacing on SR 38 from SR 119 to E of US 84 (General Stewart Way) is anticipated to be complete in summer 2020. Jeff stated that has begun.

12.55 miles of milling and resurfacing on SR 38 from E of CS 519/OC Martin Dr to E of I-95 is LET in March and APAC was low bidder.

Jeff stated that the resurfacing on General Stewart Way has begun.

There has been some impact caused by the Coronavirus on the transit system. Ridership is low but is starting to increase.

#### b. **Transportation Public Comment Log:**

US 17 Pedestrian Crossing near the Midway Museum. GDOT analyzed the pedestrian volumes at this location and determined that a crosswalk is not warranted. The policy committee asked for the TCC for input and recommendations to accompany the CAC recommendation.

### 5) **New Business:**

- a. 2018-2021 TIP/2040 MTP Amendment #6- release for comment:  
Rachel Hatcher with RS&H presented this TIP Amendment that was requested by GDOT Planning Office to install Intelligent Transportation Systems along our 13.34 miles of I-95. Preliminary will be completed by next year. Bob Dodd made a motion to recommend approval and Phil Odom seconded. Vote was unanimous.
- b. 2020-2045 MTP status update:  
Rachel Hatcher with RS&H presented the update of the MTP and the next steps in the process.
- c. Notice of funding opportunities:  
Rachel gave an overview of upcoming and past opportunities to apply for funding for projects such as beautification and alternative transportation.  
Malcolm Williams stated that he agrees with bike lanes being installed. He also asked if the transit vehicles will be smaller in the future. Rachel stated that has not been decided yet, but the vehicles are slated to be replaced.  
Phil Odom asked about moving rumble strips on the highway to accommodate bicycles. Jeff stated that was accepted on the highway 84 overlay by GDOT.

6. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- None

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Cassidy Collins stated that Liberty County Deputy Sheriff have been sitting in the center lane on Highway 196 East without lights and feels this is a safety issue for vehicles.
- Earnest Brown asked what the status is of the Bypass. Jeff stated that when the last TSPLOST did not pass there was no funding for the bypass. The county shifted and designed a freight connector that goes around Walthourville.

8. **SCHEDULE:**

- The next regularly scheduled CAC meeting will be June 23, 2020.

9. **ADJOURN:**

- Vice-Chairman Kelly asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Tim Byler and seconded by Bob Dodd to adjourn.

APPROVED:

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Ron Collins, Chairman

ATTEST:

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