#### Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization



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#### **AGENDA**

#### Hinesville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

#### On-line Only due to COVID-19 Assembly Restrictions September 10, 2020 @ 9:00 AM

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#### **HAMPO TCC MINUTES: September 10, 2020**

The Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) on Transportation met via Zoom conference call 9:00 AM on September 10, 2020.

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER:

• Joey Brown, Chair, called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Jeff stated each person that was present for the meeting.

Members Present: Joey Brown, Jeff Ricketson, Mayor Hawkins, Ned Green, Trent Long, Kenny Hawkins Clamenting Weshington, Paul Simonton, Ren Morroy, and Ryan Walker.

Howard, Clemontine Washington, Paul Simonton, Ben Morrow, and Ryan Walker.

Members Absent: Kyle Wemett, Dr. Franklin Perry, Mayor Joe Harris, Mayor Thomas Hines, Mayor

Richard Strickland, Mayor Larry Baker, Ron Tolley, Chuck Scragg

Non-Voting Members Present: Theodis Jackson. Ann-Marie Day.

Non-Voting Members Absent: Allen Burns, Robert Buckley, Don Masisak, and John Lyles, Mark Wilkes.

Participating: Vivian Canizares

Staff Present: Rachel Hatcher, Kelly Wiggins, Mardee Sanchez

Public: Patty Leon, Coastal Courier, Marcus Sack, M.E. Sack Engineering.

#### 2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

 Trent Long made the motion to approve the July 9, 2020 minutes, seconded by Paul Simonton, and all voted in favor.

#### 3) OLD BUSINESS:

a) GDOT: Project Status Reports:

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. Final plans are 90% complete. Mayor Pro-tem Washington asked if the piles of dirt along the roadway will be cleaned up. Jeff stated that he has had several conversations with Mayor Clancy and will speak with the contractor again.

SR 119 at Taylors Creek-Bridge replacement has right-of-way acquisition ongoing and finals plans have been submitted.

1.686 miles of milling and resurfacing on SR 38 from SR 119 to E of US 84 is 80% complete.

12.55 miles of milling and resurfacing on SR 38 from E of OC Martin Drive to E of I-95 is 30% complete.

#### b) Liberty Transit:

Ridership is climbing slowly. Clear barriers were installed to separate passengers and operators. The bus drivers are using all protective measures to protect the riders and themselves from Covid-19. All buses are equipped with disinfectant. Due to the CARES ACT, additional funding was secured for the preliminary design phase of the second infrastructure project. That will include shelters and sidewalks surrounding the areas of the bus stops. Nine projects are included in Phase 1. Liberty Transit also completed their procurement of their third-party operator. The new company, First Transit will begin operations in October 2020. Route 3 began operating again on August 17, 2020.

- c) Transportation Comment Log: Deputies running radar with lights off from the decel lanes on Leroy Coffer Highway. Preliminary communication with Liberty County Sheriff's office has been initiated.
  - US 17 Pedestrian Crossing near the Midway Museum. GDOT analyzed the pedestrian volumes at this location and determined that a crosswalk is not warranted. TCC provided direction to contact Midway Museum to gather visitor and event data for additional coordination with GDOT. Staff contacted Midway Museum for annual and special event visitor data. HAMPO staff is drafting a letter to send to GDOT with new figures and statistics regarding the need for a pedestrian crossing.
- d) Policy committee approved the release of the draft 2018-21 TIP Amendment # 6 for 30-day public comment period. Administrative modification was made to the 2018-21 TIP and 2040 MTP. Change was made to fiscal year of funding for the construction phase of PI#0013750-SR 119 @ Taylors Creek 3 Miles NW of Hinesville. The annual report has been completed and submitted to GDOT for review and concurrence. FY 2020 UPWP Administrative Modification #2 included the balance of task level budgets to actual year-end expenditures. This is available on the HAMPO website under the plans and documents tab.

#### 4) NEW BUSINESS:

a) 2020-2045 MTP Adoption: Rachel Hatcher with RS&H provided the status updated and recommendation to the committee. Chairman Brown asked for a motion to recommend that the Policy Committee adopt the draft 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. Trent Long made a motion to recommend that the Policy Committee adopt the 2020-2045 draft MTP. The motion was seconded my Paul Hawkins. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Brown stated that this will go before the Policy Committee at a special called meeting to take place at 10:00 today. Rachel stated that the deadline for submittal for this is 5PM today and

generally we receive feedback from them immediately. Ann-Marie stated that there is not a formal process to respond that they did receive it, but she attends these meetings, so she is aware of the submittal.

- 5) OTHER BUSINESS: None.
- 6) PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.
- 7) SCHEDULE: The next regularly scheduled TCC meeting will be November 12, 2020.

#### **ADJOURN:**

Jeff Ricketson made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Paul Hawkins, and all voted in favor.

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Joey Brown, Chair

ATTEST:

Jeff Ricketson



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## 2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve the TCC Minutes of:

July 9, 2020



#### a. Project Status Updates

#### GDOT/Liberty County Projects Status Report

Thursday, August 13, 2020

#	Projects	PI	PE	ROW	CST	Environmental Activities	Preliminary Plans	Final Plans	Remarks
1	SR 38 Connector from SR 38/US 84 to SR 119	522570-	Auth	2020	LR	65%	90%		Environmental work ongoing
2	SR 38/US 84 @ CR 73/Old Sunbury Road	0011730	Auth	Auth	LUMP	100%	100%	50%	Final design and right of way acquisition ongoing
3	SR 119 @ Taylors Creek - Bridge Replacement	0013750	Auth	Auth	2020	100%	100%	100%	Right of way acquisition ongoing

#### **Active Construction Projects**

#	Project Description	Contractor	Award Amount	% Complete	Anticipated Completion Date
1	1.686 miles of milling and plant mix resurfacing on SR 38 Conn from SR 119 to E of US 84/SR 38	East Coast Asphalt, LLC	\$751,589.10	80%	Summer 20
2	12.55 miles of milling, inlay and plant mix resurfacing on SR 38/US 84 from E of CS 519/OC Martin Dr. to E of I-95	APAC - Atlantic, Inc.	\$4,599,314.25	30%	Spring 21



#### b. Transit Updates





The City of Hinesville has published information regarding our approach and precautionary measures in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

We will be posting all publications, along with links to helpful agency webpages and social media, to our new COVID-19 page. Follow the link below to visit: https://www.cityofhinesville.org/517/COVID-19.

#### Direct Impacts of Coronavirus on Liberty Transit:

- Route 3 resumed service on August 17
- April ridership reached a record low, with slight improvements in May/June, and minor reductions in ridership for the month of July.
- Service increased in August on all three routes
- COVID 19 sanitization and protections remain in effect: gloves, masks, and hand sanitizer, disinfectant, and protective barriers.

#### System Highlights:

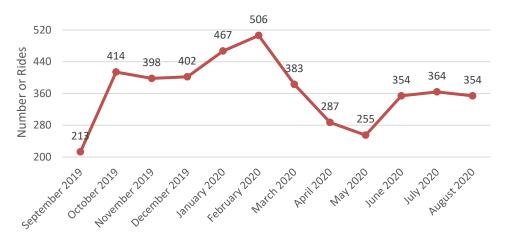
- Preliminary design phase of second infrastructure project has begun!
- Liberty Transit TPO selection: First Transit will begin operations October 2020



## 3. Status Updates b. Transit Updates

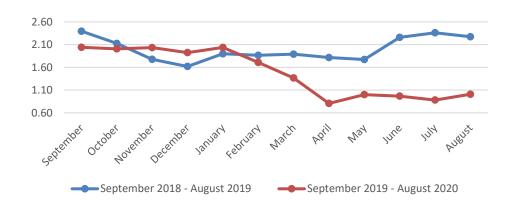
- Paratransit service launched in September 2019
- Paratransit ridership decreased by ten riders from July 2020 to August 2020

#### Paratransit Ridership Data September 2019 - August 2020



- The trips per revenue service hours ratio slightly increased in August
- Georgia and Liberty County have seen a decrease in positive COVID-19 cases in the month of August
- Governor Kemp's Public Health State of Emergency mandate lasts through September 10, 2020.

Trips per Revenue Service Hours for All Routes September 2018 - August 2019 to September 2019 - August 2020



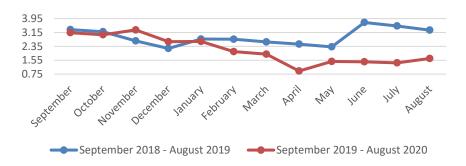




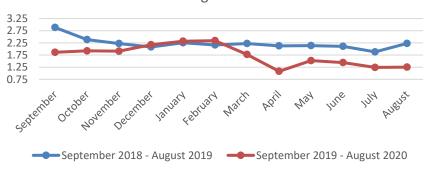
#### b. Transit Updates

- Route I Service increased slightly in August
- Route 2 had increases in services in August
- Route 3 operated partially in August, beginning service on August 17
- Total trips dropped from August 2019 to August 2020 by 133% (1953 to 839 trips)
- Average Daily Ridership: 39.95 (up from 35.64 in July 2020)

Trips per Revenue Service Hours for Route 1 September 2018 - August 2019 to September



Trips per Revenue Service Hours for Route 2 September 2018 - August 2019 to September 2019 -August 2020



Route 3 – By The Numbers	August 2019	August 2020
Passenger Trips	239	11
Average Daily Ridership	10.86	1.0
Trips per Revenue Service Hour	1.30	0.12

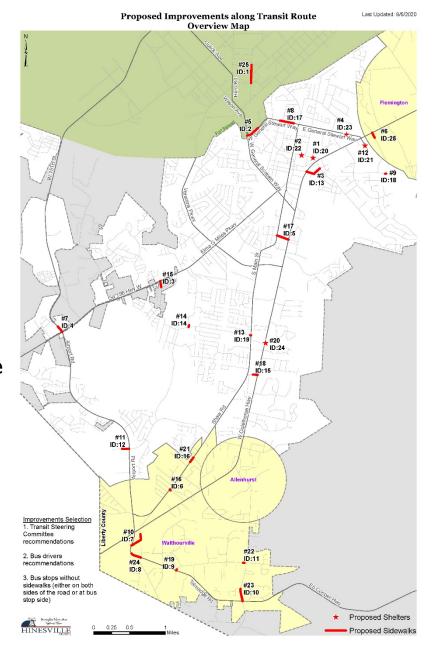




b. Transit Updates

Liberty Transit has received funding through the CARES Act for Infrastructure ADA improvements and bus shelter installations

- Total amount allocated: \$465,000
- No local match required if construction is completed before June 30, 2021
- 25 Total eligible projects divided into Phase I and Phase II
- Phase I includes 9 projects







b. Transit Updates

#### 9 Phase I Projects

Total Costs of Phase I Projects: \$457,208.53

#### **Proposed Improvements Scores & Ranking**

Priority	ID	Location	Description	Jurisdiction	Average Score	Opinion of Probable Costs	Phase 1
1	20	VA Clinic Stop	Shelter1	Hinesville	62	\$ 14,887.00	\$ 14,887.00
2	22	First Baptist Church Stop	Shelter1	Hinesville	58	\$ 14,887.00	\$ 14,887.00
3	13	Norman St & Fraser Dr (DFCS Stop)	Sidewalk	Hinesville	56	\$ 126,069.33	\$ 126,069.33
4		W 15th St between GA 196 Hwy W & Parkland Blvd (Food Lion Stop)	Sidewalk & Shelter	Hinesville	52	\$ 67,407.65	\$ 67,407.65
5		W General Stewart Way between Gause St & Stewart Ter (Olmstead Estates Subdivision Stop)	Sidewalk	Hinesville	51	\$ 96,681.20	\$ 96,681.20
6	12	Technology Dr between Airport Rd & Techwood Ct (Savannah Tech Stop)	Sidewalk & Shelter	Hinesville	48	\$ 42,422.69	\$ 42,422.69
7	21	Walmart East 84 Stop	Shelter2	Hinesville	47	\$ 14,887.00	\$ 14,887.00
8	978056	Glenn Bryant Rd between S Main St & Star Ct (Deerwood Subdivision NB Stop)	Sidewalk connecting from S Main St sidewalk to bus stop	Hinesville	47	\$ 31,199.17	\$ 31,199.17
9		Pineland Ave between Glenn Bryant Rd & Ellie Ln (Colonial Park Subdivision SB Stop)	Sidewalk & Crosswalk	Hinesville	46	\$ 48,767.49	\$ 48,767.49



#### b. Transit Updates

**Location:** VA Clinic Stop **Description:** Bus Stop

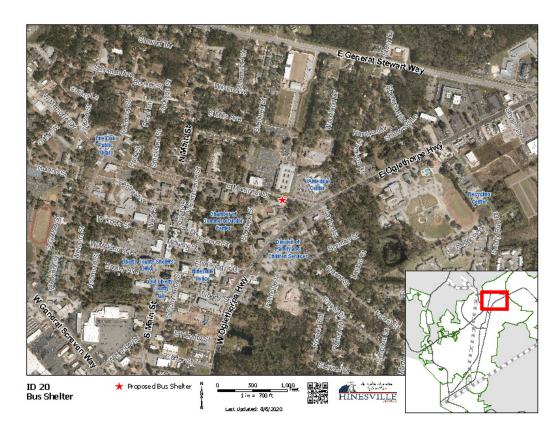
Shelter

**Construction Cost:** 

\$14,887.49

Average Score 62

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#### b. Transit Updates

**Location:** First Baptist

**Church Stop** 

**Description:** Bus Stop

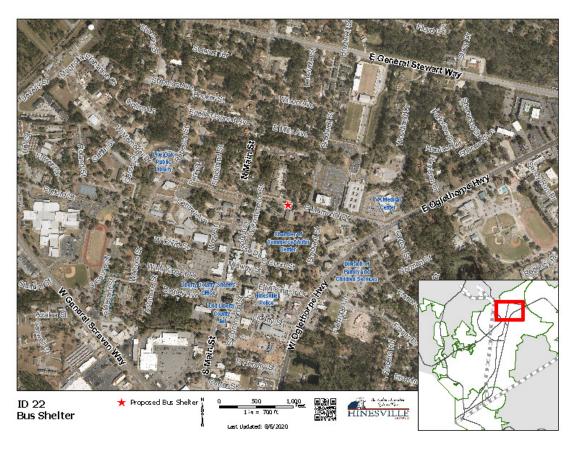
Shelter

**Construction Cost:** 

\$14,887.49

Average Score 58

Population Under Age 18	65
Population Above Age 65	45
Population Density	32
Daytime Population Density	100
% Poverty	69
% Household without Cars	80
% Minority	8
Distance to Essential Services	77
Distance to School	82
Road Functional Class	54
Bus Stop Density	28
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	-
Proposed Sidewalk Length	_





b. Transit Updates

**Location:** Norman Dr. and

Fraser St.

**Description:** Bus Stop

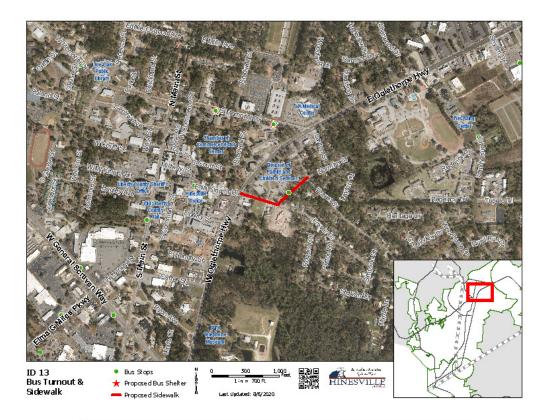
Shelter and Sidewalk

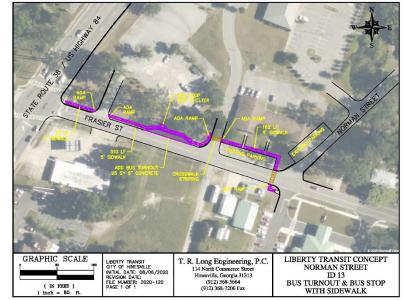
**Construction Cost:** 

\$120,069.33

Average Score 56

Population Under Age 18	65
Population Above Age 65	45
Population Density	32
Daytime Population Density	100
% Poverty	69
% Household without Cars	80
% Minority	8
Distance to Essential Services	88
Distance to School	70
Road Functional Class	54
Bus Stop Density	3
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	100
Proposed Sidewalk Length	14







b. Transit Updates

**Location:** 15<sup>th</sup> St. between GA 196 Hwy W & Parkland Blvd. (Food Lion)

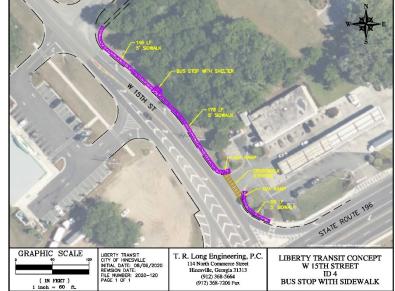
**Description:** Bus Stop Shelter and Sidewalk **Construction Cost:** \$67,407.65

Average Score

52

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Population Under Age 18	74
Population Above Age 65	15
Population Density	33
Daytime Population Density	57
% Poverty	41
% Household without Cars	19
% Minority	40
Distance to Essential Services	77
Distance to School	43
Road Functional Class	100
Bus Stop Density	11
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	100
Proposed Sidewalk Length	65







b. Transit Updates

Location: W. General
Stewart Way between Gause
St. & Stewart Ter. (Olmstead
Estates Subdivision Stop)
Description: Bus Stop
Shelter and Sidewalk
Construction Cost:
\$96,681.20

Average Score 51

Population Under Age 18	44
Population Above Age 65	29
Population Density	49
Daytime Population Density	100
% Poverty	48
% Household without Cars	50
% Minority	30
Distance to Essential Services	72
Distance to School	44
Road Functional Class	62
Bus Stop Density	4
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	100
Proposed Sidewalk Length	25









b. Transit Updates

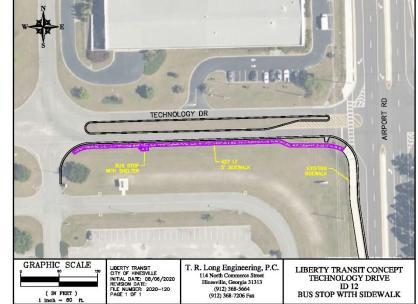
**Location:** Technology Dr. between Airport Rd. & Techwood Ct. (Savannah Tech Stop)

**Description:** Bus Stop Shelter and Sidewalk **Construction Cost:** \$42,422.69

Average Score 48

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Population Under Age 18	77
Population Above Age 65	17
Population Density	28
Daytime Population Density	36
% Poverty	37
% Household without Cars	44
% Minority	15
Distance to Essential Services	52
Distance to School	76
Road Functional Class	69
Bus Stop Density	11
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	100
Proposed Sidewalk Length	65







#### b. Transit Updates

Location: Walmart East 84

Stop

**Description:** Bus Stop

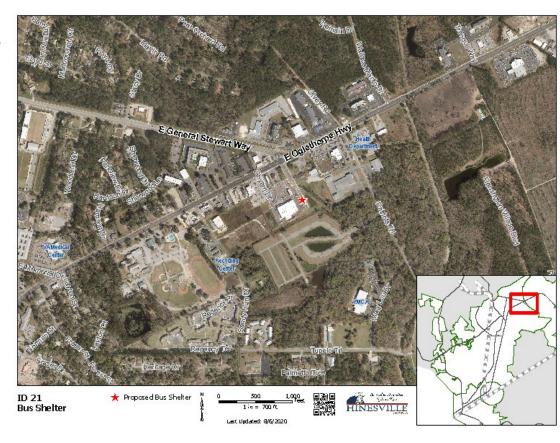
Shelter

**Construction Cost:** 

\$14,877.49

Average Score 47

Population Under Age 18	65
Population Above Age 65	45
Population Density	32
Daytime Population Density	100
% Poverty	69
% Household without Cars	80
% Minority	8
Distance to Essential Services	92
Distance to School	0
Road Functional Class	1
Bus Stop Density	28
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	-
Proposed Sidewalk Length	-







#### b. Transit Updates

Location: Glenn Bryant Rd. between S Main St. & Star Ct. (Deerwood Subdivision NB Stop)

Description: Bus Stop Shelter and Sidewalk

Construction Cost: \$31,199.17

Average Score 47

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Population Under Age 18	37
Population Above Age 65	32
Population Density	63
Daytime Population Density	40
% Poverty	51
% Household without Cars	37
% Minority	46
Distance to Essential Services	0
Distance to School	26
Road Functional Class	52
Bus Stop Density	25
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	100
Proposed Sidewalk Length	100







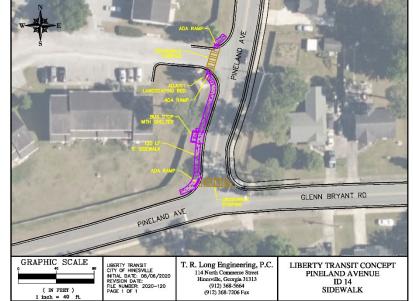
b. Transit Updates

Location: Pineland Ave between Glenn Bryant Rd. & Ellie Ln. (Colonial Park Subdivision SB Stop) Description: Bus Stop Shelter and Sidewalk Construction Cost: \$48,767.49

Average Score 46

Population Under Age 18	94
Population Above Age 65	15
Population Density	82
Daytime Population Density	42
% Poverty	50
% Household without Cars	25
% Minority	48
Distance to Essential Services	0
Distance to School	0
Road Functional Class	80
Bus Stop Density	22
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	50
Proposed Sidewalk Length	93







#### b. Transit Updates

**Location:** Econolodge Stop

**Description:** Bus Stop

Shelter

**Construction Cost:** 

\$14,887.49

Average Score 54

Population Under Age 18	62
Population Above Age 65	42
Population Density	37
Daytime Population Density	100
% Poverty	41
% Household without Cars	54
% Minority	7
Distance to Essential Services	75
Distance to School	9
Road Functional Class	100
Bus Stop Density	72
Connection to Existing Sidewalks	-
Proposed Sidewalk Length	-







#### c. Transportation Public Comment Log

#### Ongoing Comment Activities:

- Deputies running radar with lights off from the decel lanes on Leroy Coffer Highway.
  - Preliminary communication with Liberty County Sheriff's office has been initiated.

#### US 17 Pedestrian Crossing

- TCC provided direction to contact Midway Museum to gather visitor and event data for additional coordination with GDOT.
- Staff contacted Midway Museum for annual and special event visitor data.
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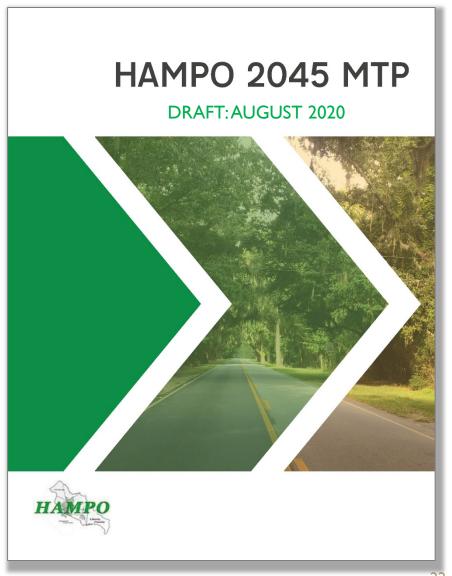


#### d. HAMPO Administrative Updates

- HAMPO 2018 2021 TIP Amendment #6
  - Policy Committee approved the release of the draft 2018-21 TIP Amendment #6 for 30-Day Public Comment Period
- HAMPO 2018 2021 TIP and 2020 2045 MTP Administrative Modification
  - Administrative Modification was made to the 2018-21 TIP and 2040 MTP
  - Change was made to fiscal year of funding for the construction phase of PI#0013750
     SR 119 @ TAYLORS CREEK 3 MI NW OF HINESVILLE
- Title VI/Environmental Justice Questionnaire
  - Annual report has been completed and submitted to GDOT for review and concurrence.
- FY 2020 UPWP Administrative Modification #2
  - Balanced the task level budgets to actual year-end expenditures
  - Available on HAMPO website under the Plans and Documents tab.

#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action)

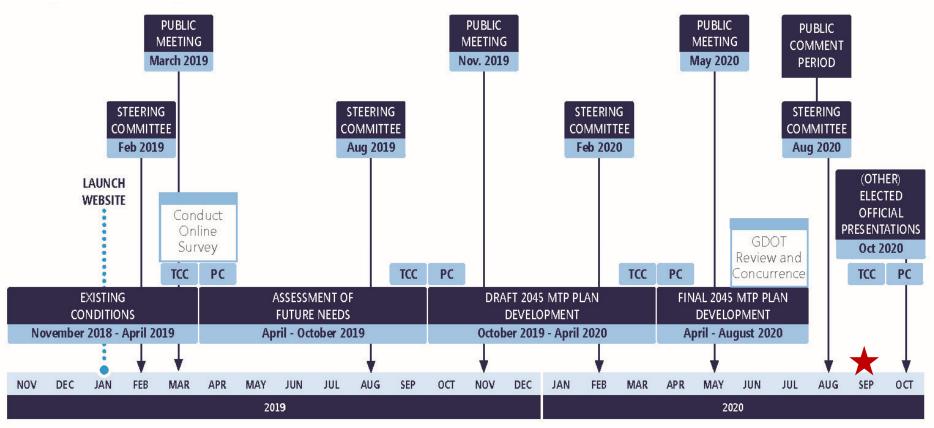
- Project Status Update
- Action: Recommendation to Policy Committee
- Next Steps





#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action)

### 2020 - 2045 MTP Schedule



Legend:

PC = Policy Committee

TCC = Technical Coordinating Committee



#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action item)

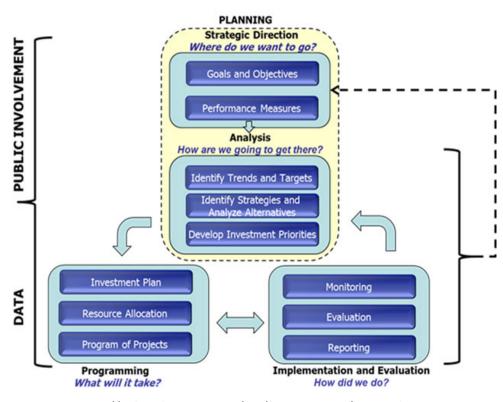
- Since your last meeting:
  - Cost constrained project list was reformatted to incorporate the TSPLOST project formatting and plan revenues updated.
  - Draft MTP was completed and submitted for oversight agency review and comment.
  - Draft was released for 30-day public comment period on 8/1/2020 and closed on 8/31/2020.
    - Advertised in Coastal Courier
    - Placed on HAMPO website in English and Spanish
    - Emailed to partner agencies with text for social media
    - Submitted to Resource Agencies for review and comment
    - Comments incorporated into final draft document



#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action)

- Existing Conditions and Operational Analysis
- ✓ Socioeconomic Data (2015 & 2045)
- ✓ Travel Demand Model Results
- ✓ Public / Stakeholder Involvement Feedback
- ✓ Goals, Objectives, and Measures of Effectiveness
- ✓ Unconstrained Project List
- ✓ Performance Based, Prioritized, Cost Constrained, Project List
- ✓ Plan Development and Documentation

#### **FHWA Performance Based Planning Process**



https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/tsp/fhwasa16116/mod2.cfm





#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action item)

Oversight Agency Feedback:

#### **FHWA:**

"At this time, the Division does not have any comments on the Hinesville MPO's draft 2045 MTP. Great job!"

#### **GDOT:**

"The only comment that we have at the moment is that on Page 5 (page 16 of PDF document) in the section that discusses the Georgia Freight and Logistics Plan, the last sentence is cut off. Other than that, the document looks good."

#### **Additional GDOT Planning Comments:**

Comments included figures and charts that needed to be realigned, an updated freight profile map and financial analysis table.

Fiscally constrained list project names updated to match GDOT system names, and TSPLOST projects were differentiated from other projects.

#### a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action item)

- Public Comment(s):
  - One comment was received regarding Liberty Transit operations. This comment was forwarded to Liberty Transit and will be included in the appendix of the MTP.
  - No action or plan amendments were required.





a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action)

#### **Suggested Motion:**

Motion to recommend that the Policy Committee adopt the draft 2020 – 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.



a. 2020-2045 MTP Adoption (action)

## **Next Steps**

- Present final draft report to PC for adoption September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM special called meeting
- Submit final document and signed resolution to FHWA and GDOT





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