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HAMPO TCC MINUTES: May 14, 2026

The Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) on Transportation met in the LCPC Conference room at the Historic Court House in person and via ZOOM at 100 N. Main Street in Hinesville at 9:00 AM on May 14, 2026.

1) **CALL TO ORDER**:

- Joseph Mosley called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

INTRODUCTIONS: Introductions were made.

Members Present: Jeff Ricketson, James Willis, Sarah Hayes, Ryan Arnold, Katie Proctor, Shane Richardson, Pedro Ortiz, Joseph Mosley, Rhonda Thomas, Brooke Horne, and Larry Logan.
Members Absent: Louise Brown, Emma Frost, Arnold Jackson, Brynn Grant, Paul Simonton, Trent Long, and Robert Norby.
Non-Voting Members Present: Donna Dale via virtual
Non-Voting Members Absent: Robert Buckley, Anne-Marie Day, Dionne Lovett
Participating:
Staff Present: Justin Dammons, Kelly Wiggins, Vishanya Forbes, Jamie Zerillo
Public: None.

2) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- **Larry Logan made the motion to approve the March 12, 2026 minutes, seconded by Brooke Horne and all voted in favor.**

3) **STATUS UPDATES**

a. **Project Update**: Katie Proctor presented the project update.

SR 38/US 84/Flowers Drive to Patriots Trail Median project. LET date June 2027. Next milestone is FFPR.

Active: SR 38/US 84 at CR 73/Old Sunbury Road is under construction at 86%. Original corrections have been completed but still open to address pipe issues.

The Doctors Creek bridge replacement in Long County is reported at 100% complete.
Bypass on SR 38/US84 to SR 119 LET date was 10-18-2024. 53% complete.

b. **Transit Update: Vishanya Forbes.** Vishanya stated that Liberty Transit system highlights are as follows: the agency is currently revamping system ride guides. A search for a new administrative office location is underway. Route 2 continues to show strong growth. Vanpool program implementation planning is underway.

c. **Transportation Public Comment Log:** None.

4) **NEW BUSINESS**

a) **HAMPO FY 24-27 TIP Amendment #7 (Action Item):** HAMPO received an amendment request from GDOT on March 5th. This removes the Link Street, Norman Street and Tupelo Trail project and adds the Deal Street Roundabout to the TIP. The project is currently in the 2050 MTP.

A motion was made by Ryan Arnold to recommend that the Policy Committee adopt the FY 2024-2027 TIP Amendment # 7. The motion was seconded by Brooke Horne and all voted unanimously.

b) **HAMPO FY 2027–2030 TIP (Action Item):** Vishanya stated the following: Staff has received the initial information for the draft FY 2027-2030 TIP update from GDOT. The staff attended the official kick off meeting with GDOT on May 6, 2026. The current TIP expires on June 30, 2027. A valid TIP is the conduit through which federal and state funding flows to Liberty County for transportation planning and capital improvements. The TIP schedule is expedited to meet GDOT STIP adoption schedules. The information for the TIP package was incorporated into the draft document and submitted for review as part of this meeting packet. Two projects that are programmed and authorized are the Hinesville Bypass Phase 2 and the Deal Street Roundabout at 196 W. GDOT will provide finalized funding amounts upon confirmation, and the staff will continue pursuing additional funding opportunities to advance priority projects into the TIP. She also provided a list of MPO authorized projects and the cost analysis.

A motion was made by Larry Logan to recommend that the policy committee release the FY 2027-2030 TIP for a 15-day public comment period. Ryan Arnold seconded the motion, and all voted unanimously.

c) **Carbon Reduction Funds Program-(Action Item):** HAMPO has funds programmed in the current HAMPO FY 25-27 TIP. The funds have the potential to lapse if not obligated/spent by the end of the fiscal year. IIJA identified numerous project types eligible for funding. Staff provided committee members with a CRP Call for Projects form and a ranking scoring matrix form. HAMPO opened the CRP call for projects and received two applications. One application was from the City of Hinesville for South Main Street Corridor Efficiency project and the other was from Liberty County for I-95/Highway 84 Lighting and Street Light Replacement. Total funds available with federal and local match is $728,407. Both applications received scored well.

A motion was made by Jeff Ricketson to recommend that the Policy Committee approve both submitted applications for funding through the Carbon Reduction Funds Program Call for Projects with Liberty County's project receiving the full requested funding and

Hinesville receiving the balance of available funding. The motion was seconded by Sarah Hayes and all voted unanimously.

d) **HAMPO 2050 MTP Amendment-(Informational Item):** Vishanya stated that staff will be conducting an amendment to your 2050 MTP as part of the FY 27-30 TIP update. This ensures your 2050 MTP Project List remains fiscally constrained as projects move into the updated TIP. Project cost estimates that are in the fiscally constrained project list in the MTP must be monitored to ensure that the MTP remains balanced. Once documents have been finalized, staff will present them to the committee for review and action.

e) **SS4A Implementation Grant- (Information Item):** Vishanya stated that HAMPO staff reevaluated SS4A eligibility and requirements for the Wallace Martin Realignment Project. Alternative funding has been identified, and the City of Flemington will advance the project using TSPOLST funding. Staff will continue monitoring NOFO releases and evaluate future project opportunities for upcoming grant cycle.

f) **GAMPO 2026 Spring Meting Updates-(Informational Item)-** On March 30th staff attended the 2026 GAMPO spring meeting. AMPO staff presented a review of recent executive orders and proposals in Congress being put forward for reauthorization. GDOT staff provided a schedule of events for PM2/PM3 targets and new project applications, and review of balances were presented as the last item on the agenda.

5) **OTHER BUSINESS AND AGENCY UPDATES:**

Ryan stated that the roundabout on South Main Street is 95% completed. The City of Hinesville has opened bids and awarded the job for the entry to Bryant Commons. The city is looking for additional funding for the Vanpool program. Larry Logan announced that the City of Flemington will honor former Mayor Hawkins with a street name on Saturday May 16th at 10 AM. Mayor Hayes stated that the City of Walthourville is currently in the middle of mapping their city of sewer and water lines. She also stated that the City of Walthourville was honored to be the city that the Torch Run for the 250th celebration of the United States chose to come through, making a stop there with a short ceremony. Joseph Mosley gave an overview of the roundabouts at Barrington Ferry and Lewis Frasier along with some road improvements.

6) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

7) **SCHEDULE:** The next TCC meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2026.

8) **ADJOURN: Motion by Jeff Ricketson to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Sarah Hayes and all voted in favor.**

APPROVED:

(Vice Chairman)

Joseph Mosley, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jeff Ricketson, Executive Director, LCPC