

Local Rural Task Force #3 Meeting

January 26, 2017

Kalamazoo Metro Transit - Kalamazoo, MI

In Attendance

Ryan Minkus	Road Commission of Kalamazoo County
Sean McBride	Kalamazoo Metro
Brian Sanada	Michigan Department of Transportation Southwest Region
Don Mayle	Michigan Department of Transportation RTF Manager
Fred Nagler	Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study

Handouts:

Agenda

Kalamazoo County Local Rural Task Force Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2015
2017 – 2020 RTF Region 3 TIP Spreadsheets

The Kalamazoo County Local Rural Task Force Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. at Kalamazoo Metro. Introductions were made. Prior to addressing the rest of the agenda, McBride stated his concern that transit agencies get fair consideration for programming of federal funding across the entire RTF program.

Approval of the November 12, 2015 Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes of the previous sub-task force meeting.

MOTION by McBride, SUPPORT by Minkus, ***“to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2015 Local Rural Task Force Meeting.”*** Motion approved.

Review of Projects for 2018 - 2020.

Discussion started by reviewing the available funding and the history of cooperation between the Road Commission and Metro in project planning and selection. For 2018, Minkus proposed increasing the STL amount of the 42nd Street project by 29.4% and programming the remaining available STL to Metro for a vehicle replacement. It was determined that an increase of that amount would trigger the need for an amendment of the KATS MPO TIP. Since the next KATS TIP amendment consideration wouldn't be for almost two months, it was decided that the requested increase in STL would be under the amendment threshold, with the remaining project cost. Nagler stated he would work with KATS staff to determine the threshold amount.

MOTION by Minkus, SUPPORT by McBride ***“to approve increasing the amount of STL for the 2018 Road Commission of Kalamazoo 42nd Street project to the amount that can be approved via administrative adjustment for the KATS MPO, increase EDD to \$139,150; and to program the remaining available STL funding to Kalamazoo Metro for a vehicle replacement project.”*** Motion approved.

For 2019, Minkus said that the Road Commission’s D Avenue, Westnedge to Riverview project had recently been awarded Safety Program funding. He proposed replacing the project with D Avenue, Rolling Meadow to Douglas and programming an additional \$3,632 to the 2019 Kalamazoo Metro Bus Replacement project. The replacement D Avenue project is included in the illustrative list, but changes in proposed funding will necessitate amendment. Discussion was also had regarding the 2020 projects

MOTION by McBride, SUPPORT by Minkus “to change the limits of the 2019 Road Commission of Kalamazoo’s D Avenue project to Rolling Meadow to Douglas using \$427,691 in STL, \$85,697 in EDD and \$216,612 Local Match for a total project cost of \$730,000; to increase the STL programmed to Kalamazoo Metro’s 2019 Bus Replacement project to \$87,632; to increase STL programming for Kalamazoo Metro’s 2020 Van Purchase project to \$81,757; and to program the Road Commission of Kalamazoo’s 2020 U Avenue project at \$443,873 in STL, \$85,697 in EDD and \$1,156,127 in local fundng.” Motion approved.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Other Business

Minkus discussed the intent of the Road Commission of Kalamazoo County to get their projects submitted and awarded earlier, which could impact their ability to take advantage of later increases in STL availability. They would like to add some force account chip seal projects to the illustrative list to allow quick programming of any extra funding. It was generally agreed that this would be acceptable

Mayle discussed the status of updating the state’s all-season road map. He said that the Road Commission of Kalamazoo County can send him shape files of their proposed changes and he can see that they are included on the new map, which will be updated to Framework 17.

McBride inquired as to whether the 2018 funds are locked in for 2018. Mayle replied that generally they are unless action is taken by the federal government that would change that. He further said that most late changes to funding levels are absorbed by MDOT for that fiscal year and added to the next year’s program.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes Approved: _____