Attendees: Mayor Rogers Anderson, Mr. Andy Barlow (For Mayor Ed Hagerty), Mr. Stephen Bland, Mayor Paige Brown, Mayor Mike Callis, Ms. Faye DiMassimo (for Mayor John Cooper), Mr. Preston Elliott (for Gov. Bill Lee), Mr. Tim Ellis (for Mayor Jeff Duncan), Mayor Rick Graham, Mr. Gerald Herman (for Mayor Michael Arnold), Mayor Anthony Holt, Mr. Eddie Hood, Mr. Jim Kerr (for Mayor Shane McFarland), Mayor Bill Ketron, Ms. Pam Kordenbrock, Mayor Ken Moore, Mayor Mary Esther Reed, Mayor Billy Vogle

Call to Order

Mayor Mary Esther Reed, Chair, opened the meeting at 10:20 a.m. via Microsoft Teams.

Approval of the February 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Anthony Holt moved to approve the February 19, 2020 meeting minutes. Mayor Rick Graham seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Action Items

a) Resolution TPB 2020-02 Guiding the Distribution of HIP Funds

Ms. Anna Emerson, Principal Planner, said that the purpose of the Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP) resolution is to allow the distribution of the money to projects with immediate needs. She said that there is $4.85 million in federal funds available for construction of highways (federal-aid system roads), bridges, and tunnels.

She said that the money would be held in a grouping for projects within the TIP with immediate right-of-way or construction cost needs.

Mayor Ken Moore moved to approve Resolution TPB-2020-02 Guiding the Distribution of HIP Funds. Mayor Holt seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
b) Resolution TPB 2020-03 Amending the FYs 2020-23 TIP

Ms. Emerson said that the amendments have undergone public review and comment and staff received no comments.

Mayor Reed opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Mayor Reed closed the public hearing.

Mayor Moore moved to approve Resolution TPB-2020-03 Amending the FYs 2020-23 TIP. Mayor Graham seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

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Informational Items

a) Proposed Amendments to the FYs 2020-23 TIP

Ms. Emerson briefly went over the proposed Cycle C amendments for the FYs 2020-23 TIP. She said they will be released for the required 21-day public review and comment period.

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b) Updates on Transportation Planning (MPO) Activities

Mayor Reed provided a summary of the past couple months, an update on where we are now, a preview of where we are headed, and an overview of considerations as we move forward.

She said that transportation issues have been top priorities for quite a few years but COVID-19 has recently shifted public health and economic concerns to the forefront.

She said that a letter has been sent to TDOT, FHWA, and FTA about the impact of the March 3rd tornado and COVID-19 on the schedule for updating our regional plan. She said that we want to make sure that the Plan is usable and that transportation issues are too important to not engage the citizens.

Mayor Reed said that the GNRC staff continue to meet with TDOT, FHWA and our local planning, public works, and transit agency staff that serve on the Transportation Coordinating Committee to continue to carry out the technical work of the plan, including the ongoing implementation of a Congestion Management Process, coordination of roadway safety data, and an assessment of the emerging technologies and smart mobility applications.

She noted that community engagement activities are on hold for major studies, including South Corridor and Downtown Inner Loop, but that staff is reaching out to Metro Nashville and TDOT to learn more about how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted their planning efforts. These plans are to be included in the RTP as these are a major part of having a successful and usable regional plan.

Mayor Reed requested that staff reach out to state and federal partners in the coming weeks to discuss the challenges involved in completing a plan under the current circumstances. She expressed a need to complete these meetings soon so that we can bring back an updated schedule to the board by the June 17th meeting.

Mayor Reed said that mayors will need to assess how COVID-19 will impact our local funding priorities, the region will need to assess how the State of Tennessee will react to the budget shortfalls, and staff will need to assess how to engage the public and stakeholders in a meaningful conversation about transportation in a post COVID-19 world.

She reminded members that the major update is to be adopted in February 2021. She noted that there is a sound Plan through 2040 and that the RTP is important for the region. She requested assistance from Pam and FHWA in seeking flexibility with this plan update.
Mayor Moore said that he wants to compliment Mayor Reed for her leadership. He said that COVID-19 has affected the thought process. Traffic will come back and it is important all on same page to solve the problem. It needs to be a team effort.

He thanked the staff for their hard work and TDOT and FHWA for their efforts. He said that he was happy that Mr. Preston Elliott is now at TDOT.

c) Unified Transportation Plan: Growth Forecasting

Mr. Max Baker, Director of Research & Analytics, said that the staff is refining the land use forecasting model and have developed an online application to work with the staffs of the jurisdictions. He said that the involvement of the local partners is important. They have 1) reviewed and commented on Woods and Poole Economics population, household, and employment projects, 2) provided local (GIS) data representing current land use, zoning allowances, and future land use policy, 3) troubleshot unexpected outcomes during base year calibration as a result of underlying data availability or quality issues, and 4) identified development approved for construction between the model base year (2017) and first horizon (2025) to account for known short-term growth.

d) Unified Transportation Plan: Travel Demand/Traffic Forecasting

Mr. Vince Bernardin, Resource Systems Group, Inc. a GNRC Consultant, reviewed the existing activity-based model and the new capabilities of the model.

Mr. Baker said that the next steps are 1) on Friday, May 22nd the modeling will have the complete results for 2017 base year for the travel demand model, 2) the final “trend” forecasts for 2025-2035, and 2045 will be available from the completed land use model. The forecasts for 2025, 2035, and 2045 will be presented to the TCC on June 3rd.

Regular Report

a) TDOT Report

Mr. Preston Elliott, TDOT, said that COVID-19 has been impactful on TDOT operations and the strategies for moving forward. He said that TDOT has several planning activities underway, including a I-40/I-81 Corridor Study and a Statewide Active Transportation Plan. TDOT recently held a virtual public meeting via Zoom for the I-40/81 Corridor Study and expect to complete it by early 2021. TDOT met with GNRC staff to discuss the Statewide Active Transportation Plan and are seeking input from members through an online survey that will be distributed. Statewide Active Transportation Plan is expected to be completed by late Fall of 2020.

Mr. Elliott also said that the TDOT Multimodal Access Grants and IMPROVE ACT Transit Grants have been awarded. There were 18 Multimodal Access Grant awards totaling $15 million. The cities of Lebanon and Mt. Juliet were both awarded grants. WeGo was awarded funds for the North Nashville Transit Center.

b) Staff Report
Mr. Pfalzer previewed the upcoming UPWP amendment that includes: 1) programming carryover funds, 2) identifying additional planning activities to perform in FY 2021, 3) documenting related planning activities that are underway or scheduled within the region by TDOT, transit providers, or local governments, and 4) considering new requests from members as we look to develop the next two-year UPWP.

c) Chair’s Report
Mayor Reed said that she is in awe at seeing how everyone is doing in their communities. She said that the mayors in the region are lucky to be able to work with each other to help each other through these challenging times.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Date: 7/28/20

Mary Esther Reed
Chairman, MPO Transportation Policy Board

Sean Pfalzer, Transportation Planning Manager
Secretary, Transportation Policy Board