

BAY CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BCATS)

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Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

Those Present Were:

Jay Anderson, BCATS Staff; Jay Reithel, MDOT; Terry Moulthane, City of Bay City; Dennis Bragieli, Kawkawlin Township Supervisor; Terri Close, Hampton Township Supervisor; Glenn Rowley, Bangor Township Supervisor; George Augustyniak, Fraser Township Trustee; Rachel Phillips, City of Bay City; Ryan Smith, BCATS, and; Cyndi Gaul, Environmental Affairs and Community Development Department. David Engelhardt/EMCOG attended via phone.

Introductions were made.

Minutes from April 18, 2018 BCATS Policy Meeting:

It was moved by Bragieli, seconded by Rowley, to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2018 BCATS Policy Committee. Motion passed.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment brought before the committee.

Legislative Update:

Jay Reithel mentioned the recent State law that was passed that required motorists to give bicyclists a minimum 3 foot buffer when passing. Anderson provided handouts of the MDOT adopted Bridge, Pavement, and System Performance Measures and Targets. The MPOs will need to accept or adopt their Performance Measures by November 16, 2018. We are set to take action and will plan to adopt our Performance Measures at the October BCATS Meeting. More handouts will be forthcoming and Anderson will pass them along when he receives them. Phase II of JobNet will be released on July 16, 2018. MDOT Statewide Planning staff would like to make a presentation to the various MPOs to talk to the groups, explain the process, and answer questions.

EMCOG Report - Governor's Regional Prosperity Initiative Update:

Engelhardt provided an update on the Governor's Regional Prosperity Initiative. EMCOG is getting ready to move forward with the mini grants for \$20,000 each. This year the mini grants will most likely require a match. The mini grants awarded funding will be released July 24, 2018.

Bay City has two very similar projects submitted to EMCOG for the mini grants. Both the City of Bay City and Bay Future have requested EMCOG Funding for Bridge Study Projects. Engelhardt was concerned that the Bridge Study Project request submitted by the City of Bay City didn't really address the impacts of the study. Phillips addressed his concerns and said that the study needs to be done by the end of the year so that the City of Bay City can have some solid information in order to make an educated decision about what to do with the bridge situation.

Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA) 2018 State of Good Repair Performance Targets:

Anderson provided a handout of the BMTA 2018 State of Good Repair Performance Targets for review. A brief discussion ensued.

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A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Reithel, to adopt the BMTA 2018 State of Good Repair Performance Targets. Motion Passed

FY2019 Unified Work Plan (UWP):

Anderson provided draft copies of the FY 2019 UWP for review. A brief discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Bragiel, seconded by Reithel, to approve the 2019 Unified Work Plan (UWP). Motion Passed

BCATS Public Hearing on 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document:

The Public Hearing was called to order at 2:03 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing was to discuss changes to the 2017-2020 TIP.

Anderson provided a copy of the following TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications that were requested. The following TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications include:

Bay Metro Transit Authority (BMTA) Amendment:

1. Add cost of the replacement of three medium buses to the project list in FY 2018 from the Transit Candidate List. BMTA received funding for three replacement buses in 2018 and therefore needs to reduce the number of replacement buses to 13 from the original 16 buses in the project.

The Public Hearing on the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the BCATS 2017-20 TIP was adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

The regular BCATS Policy Committee Meeting was reconvened at 2:05 p.m.

Approval of the 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document:

There was a brief discussion regarding the 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications.

A motion was made by Rowley, seconded by Bragiel, to approve the above BCATS 2017-2020 TIP Amendments/Administrative Modifications and Amendment to the FY 2017-2020 TIP Document including any further comments from MDOT, FHWA, and FTA. Motion Passed.

Regional MPO Meeting:

The last Regional MPO Meeting was held three years ago. We are planning to have a Regional MPO Meeting on August 30th at MBS International Airport. We are looking at having a half day morning session for this meeting. MDOT staff will be present to discuss performance measures and answer any questions that we have. The regional MPOs would like to make these meetings a yearly or biannual event as they are a great way to communicate, collaborate, and keep informed about what's going on in our neighboring MPOs. Anderson will make sure to share this information.

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Project Updates:

The ***City of Bay City Trumbull Street Project*** (Center Ave to Woodside Ave) will be let in September 2018 with utilities and sidewalk work being done October 2018 thru March 2019. Road construction for Trumbull will begin April 2019. The ***City of Bay City Liberty Bridge Project*** is underway and the bridge is closed for maintenance repairs. The ***MDOT Salzburg Road Bridge Project*** is underway and I-75 is down to one lane in this area while they repair the damage to the overpass. The ***MDOT Bay-Zilwaukee Trail Bridge Project*** is being reviewed for alternate routes. There has been talk about having the trail come up Morton Street to Salzburg Avenue, with a pedestrian bridge being built north of the Lafayette Bridge. The ***MDOT M-13 Night Paving Project*** (Kawkawlin to Linwood) will take most of the summer to complete and is expected to be done by August.

Other/New Business:

PASER Data Collection:

PASER data collection for the southern half of Bay County will take place June 27th and 28th. PASER data collection for the City of Bay City will take place in mid-July.

Bay County Contours Project:

The Bay County Road Commission and Bay County Drain Commission are paying for contour creation. The project has been approved by the Bay County Board of Commissioners.

The Asset Management Council:

Engelhardt explained that the Asset Management Council is looking to find out what the cost is for doing data collection/inventory for their culvert data collection Project.

Next BCATS Policy Committee Meeting – Wednesday, August 22, 2018

As there were no further business, a motion was made by Reithel, seconded by Bragiel, to adjourn the June 20, 2018 BCATS Policy Committee meeting at 2:23 p.m. Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Anderson

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