GREATER LAFAYETTE AREA TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT STUDY
TECHNICAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2019

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT
Sallie Fahey                        Area Plan Commission
Dave Griffee (proxy for Jeromy Grenard) Lafayette City Engineer
Asfahan Khan                        INDOT – Crawfordsville Division
Stu Kline                           Tippecanoe County Highway Engineer
Terry Ruley                          Tippecanoe County Sheriff’s Department
Ed Garrison                         West Lafayette City Engineer
Jim Knapp (proxy for Adam Baxmeyer) Purdue University Airport
Jason Philhower (proxy for Troy Harris) West Lafayette Police Department
Jon Fricker                         JTRP
Bryce Gibson (proxy for Marty Sennett) CityBus

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT
William Carpenter                    Lafayette Police Department

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT
Cat Schoenherr                       APC
Tim Stroshine                        APC
Aria Staiger                         APC
Mike Spencer                         Tippecanoe County Highway Dept.
David Griffee                         City of Lafayette
Ashley Stevenson                     Dayton Town Council
Mark Harlow                          Dayton Town Manager
Colin Sullivan                       BF&S
Melissa Patton                       INDOT
Brett Crutchfield                    INDOT
Scott J. Chandler                    INDOT

Jon Fricker called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Ed Garrison moved to approve Dave Griffee as proxy for Jeromy Grenard, Lafayette City Engineer. Bryce Gibson seconded, and the motion was approved.

Ed Garrison moved to approve Asfahan Khan as proxy for Kevin Jasinski, INDOT. Bryce Gibson seconded, and the motion was approved.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ed Garrison moved to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2019 meeting as submitted. Dave Griffee seconded. The minutes, as submitted, were approved by unanimous voice vote.
II. ACCESS PERMITS - none

III. AMEND THE FY 2018-2021 TIP:
   a. Program seven new INDOT projects for bridges, a new signal and work on ramps at I-65/SR 38

Doug Poad referred to the staff report in the agenda packet. He said there is a request from INDOT to amend the current TIP to add seven new projects. Doug said five of these are maintenance projects on US 52, SR 225, and I-65 dealing with in-deck overlays, maintenance and repair, and concrete restoration. Doug said PE is estimated to take place in 2019 which is why they are requesting the amendment. Doug said the construction for the two I-65 bridge projects is targeted for 2021. Doug said the signal project at SR 26 and CR 900 E is a companion project to the one already in the TIP. Doug said one project will be to install the signal and the second project will be a follow up that has additional work including signage. Doug said the other project is an ADA project targeting SR 38, west and east of the I-65 ramps. Doug said the details of each project are in the staff report, and he said staff is asking for the committee’s recommendation of approval of the amendment to the Policy Board.

Stu Kline moved to recommend the TIP amendment for final vote by the Policy Board. Asfahan Khan seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS TO THE FY 2018-2021 TIP

A. February 21, 2019 - Program $4,999 of unassigned TA funds to the construction phase of Klondike Rd. and reallocate STBG funds from Cherry Lane Extension in the amount of $58,113 to the CN phase of Klondike and in the amount of $131,400 to the CN phase of the River Rd. at River Bend Hospital project.

B. February 25, 2019 - Move $85,386 in STBG funds from CN phase of Cherry Lane Extension to PE phase of Park East Blvd.

Sallie Fahey said the first Administrative Modification was on February 21, 2019 which took unassigned TA funds and assigned them to Klondike Road construction. Sallie said there was a favorable bid on the Cherry Lane extension project so $189,513 is going to be reallocated, part of it to the River Road at River Bend project and construction and the other part of it will be reallocated to the Klondike Road project. Sallie said after these additional allocations the River Road at River Bend Hospital project and the Klondike Road project are both now up to the full 80-20 split. She said prior to this the county was paying more than 20%.

Sallie Fahey said the second Administrative Modification was on February 25, 2019. She said this took some of the other additional money not needed for the Cherry Lane extension project, $85,386, and moved it to the Park East Blvd. project in Lafayette. Sallie said this project is now at the full 80-20 split for PE.

V. 2020-2024 TIP, FY 2020 Funding Discussion

Doug Poad said staff had recently received new information from INDOT that there is additional funding for projects for the new TIP. Doug said updated funding for FY 2020 was received. He said when staff put its TIP together INDOT had recommended using draft FY 2019 funding. Doug said for each individual year there is an additional $94,198 in STBG funds, and an additional $10,981 in safety funds, but there is
a reduction of $638 in Transportation Alternative funds. Doug said when the final numbers are compared to the draft numbers there is an additional $76,884 in STBG funds, $3,913 in safety funds, and $3,824 in Transportation Alternative funds. Doug said since they received the information at such a late stage for FY 2019, INDOT is allowing us to program those funds in FY 2020. Doug said the task this afternoon is to allocate the additional yearly funds to all fiscal years from FY 2020-2024 and add the additional FY 2019 funds to FY 2020. Doug said in looking at the safety funds there were additional funds allocated in FY 2020 and FY 2022 to be a part of the trade with another MPO. He said those funds and the FY 2020 funds were allocated in mid-2021 to the North River Road at CR 500 N project. Doug said for FY 2023 the additional funds were added to the McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety project. Doug said at this time there is not a project program for safety funds for FY 2024. Doug said the Transportation Alternative funds have a negative balance of ($638) but since there is a significant increase in STBG funds he decreased each year of the Transportation Alternative funds, but he increased using the additional $600 from the STBG funds to make up the difference for each of the projects. Doug said the additional $3,913 was added to the Twyckenham Blvd. project. Doug said for the STBG funding for FY 2021 the North River Road project is still underfunded and he took the additional STBG funds and programmed for that project. He said this still does not increase the project to the full percentage, but it does increase it more. Doug said in FY 2024 he allocated STBG funds to the Morehouse Road project since it was underfunded. Doug said there are three tasks to do. The first is to look at FY 2020 to decide where to add the additional $170,444. He said for FY 2022 and FY 2023, $93,580 needs to be allocated. Doug said the projects listed under FY 2020 are all fully funded. He said additional funds could be added to them or added to other new projects, or another option could be to program funds for CityBus. Doug asked the committee how it would like to use the funds.

Stu Kline said he has $176,000 in Klondike and another $51,000 for a total of $225,000 in change orders for FY 2019 money. Stu said he is getting those processed by the deadline. He said he could see one or both of those jobs having additional change orders in FY 2020. He said there had already been $100,000 in contractor delays for utility work for the first year and if this pushes out into another year it will be another $100,000. Stu asked if that money will be available if that happens.

Doug Poad said he could add a line item called future change orders and allocate funds to that. Doug said he could do that for FY 2020, FY 2022 or FY 2023.

Stu Kline said he had a pretty good feeling that would happen, but INDOT will not process beyond the known escalation. Stu said he won’t know until next year whether he needs the FY 2020 escalation.

Sallie Fahey said if the money is in the TIP it could be easily moved.

Stu Kline asked if it could easily be flipped over to CityBus if he doesn’t need it.

Doug Poad said yes. He could leave the future change orders in as a place holder, and if the money has not been used by this time next year then that money could be addressed at that time.

Stu Kline said the first escalation for this year came to $98,000 and he expects the next escalation to be just over $100,000. He said 80% of that would be $80,000.

Doug Poad said if we round that to $100, 000 then there is an additional $70,000 to do something with for FY 2020.

Ed Garrison said one thing he had been mulling over was the US 231 North extension. Ed said we are at a place where everyone says this project needs to happen, but nothing has been done to try to push it. He said it would make sense to put federal dollars toward that and then figure out where a local match comes from. He thought it made sense to put that in the books to show there is a need and a demand for it.

Sallie Fahey said if that is what the committee would like to do then either Ed Garrison or Stu Kline would have to be the LPA running the project. She asked if either of them would like to do that.
Ed Garrison said even though it would not be in any part of the City of West Lafayette he would be happy to help with that due to the economic impacts of the project.

Doug Poad there was $70,444 for FY 2020 available to put toward the US 231 extension study.

Stu Kline moved to allocate $70,444 for FY 2020 for the US 231 extension study. Ed Garrison seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Doug Poad said for FY 2022 and FY 2023 there was just over $93,000 to address in STBG funds. Doug said those funds could be programmed for construction for Sagamore Parkway Trails in FY 2020 and for Yeager Road in FY 2023, or it could be left as an additional line item for future change orders.

Ed Garrison said he is somewhat comfortable with the number he has for the Sagamore Parkway Trails, especially if West Lafayette gets the Next Level Trails money. Ed said he is interested in putting additional money toward Soldiers Home Road.

Doug Poad said there is $93,560 available for FY 2022 and the same amount is available for FY 2023.

Ed Garrison said he put a place holder number in for the PE in FY 2022 for Soldiers Home Road based off the TIP projections. He said he would look at that closer to make sure it is an accurate number. Ed said right-of-way work will need to be done as well so he may need additional money for that.

Doug Poad asked if Ed Garrison wanted to add that in for possible right-of-way engineering.

Ed Garrison said that would probably be for FY 2023 rather than FY 2022.

Sallie Fahey said $93,560 should be allocated in FY 2022 for Soldiers Home Road Phase 1 PE and then some money should be allocated for right-of-way engineering for FY 2023.

Doug Poad said other options would be to add it to the construction of Yeager Road, or to add it to the McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety project.

Stu Kline said the extended McCutcheon Project has not been reprogrammed so it will need additional funds.

Doug Poad asked Stu Kline if he was suggesting programming McCutcheon for FY 2023.

Stu Kline agreed.

Sallie Fahey asked Ed Garrison if he was okay with not allocating money for the Soldiers Home Road right-of-way.

Ed Garrison agreed and said they could look at it again next year.

Ed Garrison moved to allocate $93,560 for the Soldiers Home Road Phase 1 project for FY 2022 and to allocate $93,560 for the McCutcheon Pedestrian Safety project for FY 2023. Stu Kline seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Doug Poad said the draft TIP is still up and available for review and comment. Doug said there was a public hearing last Wednesday. Doug said he is looking at bringing the document back next month for review and recommendation. He said he hoped to bring it to the Policy Board in May. He said he is moving forward and INDOT is moving their STIP forward. He said there are parts of it on the web, not the document itself but the full project listings. Doug said INDOT is looking at having a public hearing on the document on May 9, 2019 in Lafayette.
Sallie said that meeting will be at Oakland High School from 5:00-7:00 pm.

VI. APC Progress Report

a. MPO Update
   • Multimodal Traffic Count

Tim Stroshine said he has been updating the committee on traffic counts. Tim said there are two pieces to this, the first is bicycle counts which he has done for the past two years. He said this will be the third year and he is doing this in partnership with Bicycle Lafayette. Tim said they will be counting from April 16 through April 25, 2019. Tim said this is near the end of the semester at Purdue, right before finals week. Tim said staff has also been talking about doing scooter counts. He said that is still up in the air depending on whether the scooter companies get back into the market.

Ed Garrison said his office cannot officially take any permit requests from scooter companies yet. Ed said he is not quite sure when that will happen, but he thought it would be soon. He said the ordinance was passed but they still have to go through the permit negotiations which can take some time. Ed said that Purdue already has an agreement in place. Ed said Purdue has its own agreements and unless a company has agreements with both Purdue and the City of West Lafayette, they are not allowed to cross over boundary lines. He said the scooters can be ridden across lines but cannot be parked where they are not allowed. He said the City of Lafayette will also have to have its own agreement with the scooter companies.

• Monthly Funding Report

Doug Poad presented the Monthly Funding Report. Doug said the top of the report shows what has been obligated. He said in February there were three obligations, one for Cherry Lane, one for Park East Blvd., and one for Happy Hollow Neighborhood Trail. Doug said below that there is information showing where we stand. Doug said there is a lot of green showing on the table which means we have had action on those, and either the funds have been requested through FIMS or we have submitted a request for federal funds. Doug said what is highlighted in yellow are the balances that we need to obligate. Doug said we are pursuing various avenues to allocate all our funds.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

a. South St., Town of Dayton

Sallie Fahey introduced Mark Harlow, Dayton Town Manager, and Ashley Stevenson, from the Dayton Town Council. Sallie said the area in question is at the southeast corner of Dayton, just south of SR 38. Sallie said the town of Dayton wants to extend a dead-end road. She said the road does not look like a dead-end road but the route that people use to exit is really an alley. Sallie said INDOT will be working on the second half of the SR 38 project next summer. Sallie said Dayton is considering options for how to keep this road from being a dead-end. She said INDOT has told Dayton that if the Tech Committee expressed interest in this project, then INDOT would pursue it more with the town.

Ashley Stevenson said Dayton did a preliminary engineering report on this road and that report gave them a couple of options. Ashley said he and another board member spoke to the property owner about these options and the property owner told them he had an idea of his own. He said the property owner’s idea is to have South Street circle around to SR 38. Ashley said that seemed like a logical idea. He said right now the land is vacant and the property owner is willing to work with the town, and with INDOT’s...
plan to reconstruct SR 38 he felt it this was a good time to pursue this. Ashley said the property is zoned R1 and right now there are no R1 buildable lots in Dayton. Ashley said the town is not asking for money they just want the Tech Committee to look at the concept to see if they could support it.

Dave Griffee asked if the property owner Ashley referenced is the one who would have the other two drives closed.

Ashley Stevenson said no, they have not talked to the Masonic Lodge yet about those driveways. He said the Masonic Lodge has put a fence up to narrow those drives so people are not using them for a turn-around. He thought they might welcome having a new drive off the new street.

Ed Garrison asked if the majority of the proposed road would go through one property.

Ashley Stevenson said that was correct. He said at the end of the current South Street the town has a 40-ft right-of-way to the edge of the property. He said there is a sewer line underneath where the proposed road would be located.

Ed Garrison said making the proposed new road line up across from Delaware Street makes sense. He said this is not on the newer constructed part of SR 38 and asked if it will be part of the future SR 38 project.

Ashley Stevenson said that was correct. He said INDOT has already started with the environmental study of this portion of SR 38.

Ed Garrison asked if the town would fund this project or would they try to recover any cost from the developable lots around the proposed road.

Ashley Stevenson said the town would look at all its options. He said the town has not made a commitment to funding.

Ed Garrison asked if the property in question currently has access to SR 38.

Ashley Stevenson said the only property with access to SR 38 is the property owned by the Masonic Lodge. He said if South Street were extended that would be one access point to SR 38 and Adams Road would be another.

Sallie Fahey asked if the property owner wanted to seek approval for more lots than would have frontage on SR 38, which might be two lots. If a maximum of 4 lots is requested, it could be done as a minor subdivision. She said otherwise it would have to be done as a major subdivision and the developer would build the road. Sallie said a cooperative agreement would benefit everybody.

Ed Garrison said the proposal makes sense, but it might be difficult to get all the parties on the same page.

Sallie Fahey said the town is asking for a vote from the Technical Transportation Committee that shows support for the project the town can take it to INDOT.

Jon Fricker asked if there was any plan for the proposed road to eventually go all the way to Adams Road.

Ashley Stevenson said that was one of the options that was shown in the preliminary engineering report. He said the property owner did not favor putting the new road through the property because that would decrease the size of the potential building sites.
Ed Garrison said he thought INDOT will eventually extend sidewalks on both sides of SR 38. He said currently the plan is not to put sidewalks in. He thought the road could be designed in a way to allow for future sidewalks.

Ashley Stevenson said if the property were to be developed then sidewalks would be required of the developer.

Ed Garrison said it would be easier to plan for drainage now rather than later.

**Ed Garrison moved to support Typical Cross-Section Alternative 1.3. Dave Griffie seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**

b. **INDOT 18-Month Letting List**

Doug Poad said the first two projects on the list, the Cherry Lane project and the Happy Hollow Neighborhood Trail project, have both been let for construction. Doug said Milestone Contractors received the award for one of the projects and Rieth-Riley Construction received the award for the other. Doug said projects #3–#7 were on a March letting earlier this month. He said the Concord Road and CR 430 S project did receive favorable bids, and the low bid was Milestone Contractors. Doug said the other projects were all bundled into one contract for concrete patching on pieces of SR 25, pieces of US 52, pieces of US 231, and pieces of Veterans Memorial Parkway in the southwestern part of Lafayette. Doug said the bids received were above the engineer’s estimate and the project is scheduled to be re-bid on April 3, 2019. Doug said projects 8, 9, 10, 13 and 14 are also on an April bid letting, specifically projects 8, 9, and 10. He said he hoped to get favorable bids on these projects in a couple of weeks. Doug said there are a couple of new projects, project #17 on SR 38 - Patch and Rehab Pavement, and project #21 on SR 25 - Small Structure Replacement. Doug said there are two other new projects as well, project #23 on Concord Road – Lighting and project #24 on Lindberg Road – Road Reconstruction.

Jon Fricker asked how extensive project #10 4th Street / Poland Hill Road – Intersection Improvement will be.

Doug Poad said the intersection will be moved northward because the tendency is for traffic to move toward downtown Lafayette. Doug said with the redesign it will be more of an east / west movement. Doug said there will also be sidewalks and crosswalks installed. Doug said the traffic signal will be moved farther north so it should be easier to see from Poland Hill Road.

Sallie Fahey said that will be the third phase of the project and the intersection will be shut down at that point.

Cat Schoenherr said this would be her last Technical Transportation Committee meeting. She told the committee she had accepted a job with INDOT as the project manager for I-69 Section 6. She thanked everyone and told them she had enjoyed working with them.

**VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None

Jon Fricker said that the next Technical Transportation Committee meeting will be April 17, 2019.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Jon Fricker adjourned the meeting at 2:55.
Respectfully Submitted,

Diana E. Trader
Acting Recording Secretary

Reviewed By,

Sallie Dell Fahey
Secretary