



**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
SUMMARY MINUTES
October 25, 2024 – 12:00 p.m.
Rock Hill Operations Center – Room 132**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Carnes; Guynn Savage John Gettys; Jose Luis; Christi Cox; Derrick Lindsey; Michael Johnson; Ben Hudgins (P); Carmen Miller Proxy (Chris Gray); Kevin Sutton (P); and Watts Huckabee.

ADMINISTRATIVE / TECHNICAL / MANAGEMENT STAFF PRESENT:

Patrick Hamilton (York County); Josh Meetze (SCDOT); Leah Youngblood (City of Rock Hill); Tony Edwards (SCDOT); Josh Edwards (York County); Chris Herrmann (City of Rock Hill); Jim Walden (SCDOT); Diane Dil (York County); Tommy Feemster (SCDOT); Dennis Marstall (Lancaster County); Jason Johnston (SCDOT); Mike Jolly (City of Rock Hill); Stephen Allen (CRCOG); Cliff Goolsby (City of Rock Hill); Cary Vargo (Town of Fort Mill); Jonathan Buono (York County); Rob Ruth (City of Rock Hill); Scot Sibert (STV, Inc); Fred Frank (WSP); Kim Shepard (City of Rock Hill); and David Hooper (RFATS).

CITIZENS / VISITORS PRESENT: John Marks (Herald); Cleopatra Allen (CAC); Jim Van Blarcom (CAC); Randall Young (JMT); Liz Duda; Phil Leazer (KCI); Corky Manns (CAC); Amy Massey (Kimley-Horn); Sandy Sailer-Taylor; Suntanna Johnson; Scott Couchenour (Fort Mill); and David Kerns (HDR)

1. CALL TO ORDER:

a. Welcome – Chair Carnes called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. and welcomed all in attendance.

b. Citizen Comment Period – Ms Duda briefly reiterated prior comments offered about live streaming meetings. As a point of reference – it should be noted that there has been discussion about the range of approaches to public participation, and the recognition of how the work of MPOs differs from city / town / county council meetings; and of course, the value of in person participation.

2. REVIEW / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Carnes asked if there were any changes, deletions, or comments to the minutes of the June 28, 2024 meeting. Mr. Gettys then made a motion to approve; this was seconded by Ms. Savage and unanimously approved.

3. REPORTS:

a. Pennies For Progress Report – Mr. Hamilton provided the latest information on existing priorities as well as the projected revenue level associated with the Pennies V Referendum.

b. Lancaster County Transportation Funding Referendum – Mr. Marstall provided an overview of the 15yr Transportation Funding Initiative slated for the November ballot. Key emphasis points included

the ability to expedite advancement of the US 521 Corridor; supporting connector roads as well as project amounts for designated areas such as road repaving / maintenance and bicycle / pedestrian infrastructure.

4. PROPOSED POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

a. Annual SE Data Update – Mr. Sibert provided a brief overview of the latest data on changes in population and employment across the planning area. Mr. Hooper then requested endorsement from the Policy Committee. Mr. Luis then made a motion for approval; seconded by Ms. Savage and the motion was unanimously approved.

b. Transportation Performance Management (CMAQ Performance Targets) – Mr. Hooper briefly reviewed the existing performance targets and the underlying rationale for both peak-hour excess delay and the percent of Non-SOV travel in the applicable geography. Mr. Hooper then requested re-affirmation of these targets based on the collective judgment of SCDOT; NCDOT and adjacent planning agencies associated with these targets. Mr. Carnes then made a motion to approve; seconded by Mr. Gettys and unanimously approved.

c. CAC Reappointment – Mr. Hooper noted the contributions that Mr. Luther Dasher has made to the Citizens Advisory Committee; Ms. Savage also noted his commitment to public service more generally. Mr. Hooper then requested that he be reappointed to a new 3 year term. A motion was then made by Mr. Carnes; seconded by Mr. Gettys and unanimously approved.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

a. Next Meeting – Mr. Carnes noted that the next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for November 22, 2024.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Carnes and seconded by Mr. Johnson; the motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 12:58 P.M.