

MINUTES
TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
January 4, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Richard Rogalski at 10:03 A.M. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 212 SW 9th Street, Lawton, Oklahoma. Meeting notice and agenda were posted on the City Hall notice board as required by State Law on December 29, 2021 at 3:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Barbara McNally, Lawton Fort Sill Regional Airport
Tom Zigler, ASCOG
Larry Wolcott, Public Works Director, City of Lawton
Krista Ratliff, President, Lawton Fort Sill Chamber of Commerce
Jay Earp, ODOT Division VII Engineer
Richard Rogalski, Deputy City Manager/ acting LMPO Director
Tony Hansley, LATS

MEMBERS ABSENT: Janet Smith, LMPO Director
Joseph Painter, City Engineer, City of Lawton
Randy Butler, Fort Sill Public Works
Tom Simpson, Hwy Engineer Anadarko Area, BIA*
Adrian Tehauno, Comanche Nation*
Ronald C. Ahtone, Apache Tribe*
Chuck Tsoodle, Kiowa Tribe*
Pearlie Tiggs, FTA Community Planner*

ALSO PRESENT: Stacy Reyna, Recording Secretary
Jonathan Stone, Transportation Planner**
Taron Epps, Vice President, Lawton Ft Sill Chamber of Commerce
Sarah McElroy, ODOT MPO Coordinator**
Isaac Akem, FHWA*
Ryan Landers, General Manager, LATS**

*Non-Voting **attended via conference call

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 5, 2021 MEETING.

MOTION by Earp, SECOND by Ratliff, to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2021 meeting.

AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

**CONSIDER RECOMMENDING TO THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENT 1 TO THE FISCAL
YEAR 2022 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FOR THE LAWTON
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS.**

Stone stated that amendment adds in the study on traffic flow improvements for all urbanized arterial roadways, the first phase of which will be the Gore Blvd, East of town.

Rogalski stated that on Gore Blvd there are issues with a few signals, an interstate that causes issues, wide medians in some areas, no left turns in some areas, and that there is quite a bit going on. He stated the Unified Planning Work Program was modified to add this as a project.

Stone stated that Unified Planning Work Program will use **p air quality funds** that we are using for the general admissions study, they can run parallel as long as they run in over in multiple years.

MOTION by Zigler, SECOND by Earp, to a resolution adopting amendment 1 to the Fiscal Year 2022 Unified Planning Work Program for the Lawton Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process.

AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

4. CONSIDER RECOMMENDING TO THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENT 1 TO THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2022, 2023, 2024, AND 2025 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE LAWTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY AREA.

Rogalski stated that the Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to add the Goodyear Blvd Project.

Stone stated that it was added in for Fiscal Year 2025 in line with the State Plan.

Rogalski stated that the project is an extension of Goodyear Blvd to US-62. He stated that this body funded the study and put together the conceptual design for it.

Rogalski asked if there were any questions.

Ratliff stated that she wanted to give an update that the south loop has been moved into the second phase for ARPA and will have a report on that.

MOTION by Earp, SECOND by McNally, to recommend to the Transportation Policy Board approval of a Resolution adopting Amendment 1 to the Federal Fiscal Years 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 Transportation Improvement Program for the Lawton Metropolitan Area Transportation Study Area.

AYES: Unanimous. NAYS: None. MOTION CARRIED.

5. REPORTS.

Krista Ratliff for the Chamber of Commerce- Richard and the ARPA Team worked on a proposal for ARPA for the Southloop and has moved into the second tier for approval. It has made the first voting process. The Chamber put together \$773million in proposals and so far we have 5 totaling 100million that is moving forward and ARPA is not done in their process, this project is one of the 5. Holiday in the Park final traffic numbers sitting just under 30,000 people, 29640 visited HIP and drove thru. Chamber has software that was purchased this year that can geotrans and tell where people originated from, roughly 30% of people came from outside of Comanche County. 10% came from Texas and 20% came from other surrounding areas outside of Comanche County. The donation house has tripled any prior years of donations giving us the ability to expand even further. Tax payers can feel a little less of that bill and run it off on donations and partners to fund the expansion. Introduced Taron Epps the new Vice President at the Chamber, has been there for about 3 weeks and if she is ever unable he will be taking her place. Sharleen Gehers retired after being at the Chamber for 26 years, Randy Travis is taking her place.

Larry Wolcott for the City of Lawton- Installed radar detection systems for a few traffic signals, one to note would be Fort sill Blvd and Cache Rd because it is a wide intersection and is different from other sections of Cache Rd.

Tom Zigler for ASCOG – There are always things going on at ASCOG. Finished up with the brief and got that information out. Ended up with 33 grants and gearing up for the community development block grants.

Jay Earp for ODOT – The safety improvement projectr on rogers lane from 82 stto I-44, had the stakeholders meeting where we met with the city council and showed them some of the improvements. We are in the lighting study phase right now, looking at what possible lominar lighting might be needed along the corridor. This may be a partnership project with the City. May discuss with the city and MPO in the future light project

Barbara McNally for Lawton Regional Airport –

Tony Hansley for LATs –

7. COMMENTS.

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

RICHARD ROGALSKI, CHAIRMAN