

OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Virtual Meeting, October 19, 2021 - 10:00 A.M. Held Via Zoom

Signatories Present:

Brady Winsten, Representing Mayor Robert Sullivan, Brockton
Lee Hartmann, Representing Chairman Richard Quintal, Plymouth Select Board
Meredith Anderson, Vice-Chairman, West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen
David Mohler, Representing Jamey Tesler, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
Pam Haznar, Representing Jonathan Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
Michael Lambert, Administrator, Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT)
Mary Waldron, Representing Christine Joy, President, OCPC

Others Present:

Kelly Forrester, BAT
Glenn Geiler, BAT
Dan McCormack, BETA Group
Andrew Reovan, FHWA
Valerie Massard, Kingston
Mary Ellen DeFrias, MassDevelopment
Michelle Ho, MassDOT
Barbara Lachance, MassDOT
Wesley Lickus, MassDOT
Derek Shooster, MassDOT
Lea Filson, See Plymouth
Shawn Bailey, OCPC
Ray Guarino, OCPC
Charles Kilmer, OCPC
Guoqiang Li, OCPC
Bill McNulty, OCPC
Kyle Mowatt, OCPC

1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson David Mohler called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. and then read the meeting accessibility statement, and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Charles Kilmer conducted the roll and then announced that there was a quorum present.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments offered at this time.

3. Minutes of the August 17, 2021 Meeting

Chairperson Mohler asked the MPO Members for comments or changes regarding the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting.

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Meredith Anderson made a motion and Michael Lambert seconded to endorse the minutes of the August 17, 2021 meeting.

There being no changes, the Old Colony MPO then voted unanimously via roll call vote to endorse the minutes of the August 17, 2021 Old Colony MPO Meeting.

4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Michael Lambert stated that the BAT workforce is healthy and on the job, and around 85% vaccinated. In September, BAT surpassed 60% of pre-covid ridership levels for the first time since the outbreak.

The Legislature voted two weeks ago to override the Governor's veto that removed an additional \$3.5 Million dollars to RTAs statewide.

BAT recently wrapped up a project with OCPC looking at available space on service area roads for potential bus lanes. BAT is looking at its route to Ashmont to potentially provide bus lanes.

5. MassDOT District 5 Update on Projects Under Design or Construction

Barbara Lachance provided updates on projects under design or construction. The updates are as follows:

PEMBROKE - REHABILITATION OF ROUTE 36 (CENTER STREET) FROM ROUTE 27 TO ROUTE 14

- MassDOT is awaiting a revised PS&E prior to advertising.

STOUGHTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRAL STREET, CANTON STREET AND TOSCA DRIVE

- Project is at 100% Design and MassDOT is awaiting PS&E submission which is schedule for this week.

STOUGHTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138

- Project is at 25% Design. A Comment Resolution Meeting has taken place, and the next step is the utility meeting, which is scheduled for October 28, 2021.

BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CENTRE STREET (ROUTE 123) AND PLYMOUTH STREET

- Project is Pre 25% Design and the 25% submission is scheduled for November 2021.

BROCKTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT LYMAN STREET/GROVE STREET/SUMMER STREET & REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER

- Bridge type study came in during August and is under review by the MassDOT District 5.

EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138 INCLUDING INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUTE 138 (WASHINGTON STREET) AND ELM STREET

- Project is at 25% Design and the next step is a utility meeting and design public hearing.

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HANSON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK

- Project is at 25% Design and the next steps are a utility site walk and a design public hearing.

ABINGTON - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HANCOCK STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET

- Project is at 25% Design and a comment resolution meeting and a utility site walk are needed prior to the design public hearing.

DUXBURY - SIGNAL INSTALLATION @ ROUTE 3 (NB & SB) RAMPS & ROUTE 3A (TREMONT STREET)

- Project is Pre 25% Design.

Construction Updates

PLYMOUTH - OBERY STREET

- Basically done and the contractor is finishing a couple punch list items.

EASTON - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT ON DEPOT STREET FROM NEWELL TO WASHINGTON ST (138)

- Contractor is working on granite curb installation and raising castings to grade.

EAST BRIDGEWATER - RESURFACING ON ROUTE 18 FROM WHITMAN ST TO CENTRAL ST

- Contractor is working on sidewalks and driveways.

6. FFY 2021-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and/ or Adjustments

Chairperson Mohler reported that there are currently no Amendments and/ or Adjustments needed at this moment.

Chairperson Mohler announced that the FFY 2022-2026 STIP was approved by Federal Highway on Friday of last week.

7. Performance Based Planning and Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Transit Asset Management (TAM) Fiscal Year 2022 Transit State of Good Repair Targets

- **Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Adoption of the Proposed Set of Federally Required Performance Targets Pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair**

Michael Lambert stated that this is in response to a federal requirement designed to ensure state of good repair for transit authorities across the nation.

Kelly Forrester discussed the Performance Targets pertaining to transit state of good repair for FY 2022. The FFY 2022 targets are as follows:

Rolling Stock

- Buses
 - X% of fleet exceeds default Useful Life Benchmark (ULB) of 14

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- Performance Target for FY22 – 8%
- Cutaway Buses
 - X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 10
 - Performance Target for FY22 – 25%
- Vans
 - X% of fleet exceeds default ULB of 8
 - Performance Target for FY22 – 13%

Equipment

- Non-Revenue – Service Automobile
 - X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8
 - Performance Target for FY22 – 35%
- Non-Revenue – Service Truck
 - X% of non-revenue service vehicles exceeds default ULB of 8
 - Performance Target for FY22 – 40%

Facilities

- Admin/Maintenance Facility
 - X% of facilities rated under 3.0 on TERM scale
 - Performance Target for FY22 – 0%

Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion and a second to approve the BAT FY 2022 Performance Targets. A motion was made by Mary Waldron and seconded by Lee Hartmann.

The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the BAT FY 2022 Performance Targets Pertaining to Transit State of Good Repair.

8. Road Safety Audits (RSAs) at Multiple Locations Project

- **Review of FFY 2021 and Introduction to FFY 2022**

Bill McNulty provided a review of FFY 2021 RSAs Project and introduced FFY 2022 RSAs Project.

Through the Old Colony MPO's FFY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program, OCPC conducted Road Safety Audits at fifteen locations. RSAs were conducted in Abington, Bridgewater, Brockton, East Bridgewater, Easton, Hanover, Kingston, Plymouth, Stoughton, and West Bridgewater. These audits were a collaborative effort of multidisciplinary teams consisting of OCPC planners, local public safety, local elected and municipal officials, MassDOT, FHWA, BAT, and our legislative delegation of State Senators and State Representatives.

OCPC is looking forward to continuing this effort in the MPO's FFY 2022 UPWP. OCPC staff are currently reviewing their internal safety management system and coordinating with communities on site selection for FFY 2022.

Chairman Mohler inquired whether OCPC is tracking the implementation status of countermeasures identified in the Road Safety Audits. Bill McNulty responded that there is a general understanding of

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which countermeasures have been implemented, but that OCPC will begin formally tracking which countermeasures have been implemented.

9. Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of Next Meetings(s)

Charles Kilmer announced that OCPC is hosting a Resilient Transportation and Climate Adaptation Summit on October 20, 2021 at 1 PM.

Charles Kilmer announced that the 2021 MassDOT Moving Together Virtual Conference will be held on December 7-9, 2021.

Charles Kilmer provided the Date and Time of Next Old Colony MPO Meetings(s):

2021

- November 16, 2021 at 10 AM
- December 21, 2021 at 10 AM

2022

- January 18, 2022 at 10 AM
- February 15, 2022 at 10 AM
- March 15, 2022 at 10 AM
- April 19, 2022 at 10 AM
- May 17, 2022 at 10 AM
- June 21, 2022 at 10 AM

10. Adjournment

Chairperson Mohler adjourned the meeting at 10:24 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kyle Mowatt

Kyle Mowatt, Senior Transportation Planner

List of Documents for the October 19, 2021 Old Colony MPO Meeting

- August 17, 2021, Old Colony MPO Meeting Minutes
- October 19, 2021 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Item Staff Reports