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 SANTA FE MPO TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
 THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2022, 5:00 PM
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A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Santa Fe MPO Transportation Policy Board was called to order by Commissioner Hank Hughes, Chair, at 5:03 pm, on Thursday, May 26, 2022, and was held at 500 Market Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paul Brasher, NMDOT
Councilor Jamie Cassutt, Vice Chair
Councilor Renee Villarreal
Commissioner Anna Hansen
Commissioner Hank Hughes, Chair

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Rudy Garcia, Excused
Councilor Amanda Garcia, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Leah Yngve, MPO
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Councilor Cassutt, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

**C. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 28, 2022**

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Cassutt, seconded by Commissioner Hansen, to approve the minutes as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

1. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

2. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. APPROVAL OF 2022-2027 TIP AMENDMENT 3 VIA SELF CERTIFICATION

Ms. Yngve said we have a large number of TIP amendments due to the announcement of the CMAC program and TAP program. She reviewed the amendments in the packet.

Commissioner Hansen asked the location of the Acequia Trail project.

Ms. Yngve said it begins where Rufina ends and goes to San Felipe Road and Agua Fria. It connects to the River Trail. There is no trail on the other end as of now. The connection is along South Meadows.

Commissioner Hansen asked if there is money for the River Trail.

Ms. Yngve said not at this time.

Councilor Villarreal asked about the Tierra Contenta Trail.

Ms. Yngve said it goes from South Meadows to where the existing trail picks up.

Mr. Brasher asked how much is the TAP funding.

Ms. Yngve said it is \$1,125 Million.

Councilor Villarreal asked if Ms. Yngve could say a bit more about the Lamy project

Mr. Brasher said there are concrete aprons on each side of the track, which have shifted and that makes it rough for a vehicle going over the tracks and it is even worse for bicycles. This fixes that problem, along with adding advance warning signals. The signals will provide more advance notice of the train coming.

Councilor Villarreal commented that on the Guadalupe project the costs went up quite a bit. Will that delay the project.

Ms. Yngve said no, the funds are programmed for FY22. It is finally ready to advance to construction.

Mr. Brasher said we are going to start later this month rebuilding 1-25 through La Bajada. The estimate was \$31 Million, but now it is \$39 Million. Prices are going through the roof.

Commissioner Hansen asked Mr. Brasher if he thinks there is any light at the end of the tunnel and prices will come down.

Mr. Brasher said it is his hope that they will stabilize. The prices of steel and fuel are driving the increases. These are tough times.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Councilor Villarreal, to approve the 2022-2027 TIP Amendment 3 via Self Certification.

VOTE The motion passed on a voice vote.

3. MATTERS FROM MPO STAFF

Ms. Yngve said she was asked by Chair Hughes to give a couple of updates.

Councilor Cassutt left the meeting.

Ms. Yngve said she wanted to give an update on the Local Road Safety Plan. We were awarded technical assistance from FHA at no cost to us. We had a site visit a couple of weeks ago with the technical assistance folks from FHA. We have not seen the actual plan yet, but will share it with the Board when we have it. There is a new "Safe Streets for All" Federal grant program that has become available. Part of the grant is planing for regions to develop a plan. We will have a Plan so we can apply for implementation funds. The application for the grant is due in September 2022.

Ms. Yngve continued saying we are in the final stages of the Southside Sector Green Loop Project. We are working with a local artist whose speciality is comic books. She is working with us to create 20 panels of comics that go through the process on trail implementation, from the prospective of the community. We are wrapping up Bike Month. It ends on Tuesday. The Art By Bike event and the pop-up bike lanes were really well received. We partnered with the Economic Development Department and the Arts and Culture Department to have art stations along biking loop. It was super fun. Thank you Councilors Cassutt and Villarreal for joining us for this event.

Councilor Villarreal asked how many people passed through the Art By Bike event.

Ms. Yngve said we have not had a chance to upload the data yet. The survey data did show that people feel safer with a protected bike lane.

Commissioner Hansen said she drove the bike loop and saw the art along the way.

Ms. Yngve thanked the Commissioner for her participation.

Ms. Yngve said we are working on updating our travel model and have contracted for the work to bring our model up to date. We will be letting the contractor know where development is occurring and other aspects of walking and biking.

Ms. Yngve distributed the updated Bike Map 2021.

Councilor Villarreal thanked Ms. Yngve for all the work she did for the Art By Bike event. It was special.

4. MATTERS FROM TPB MEMBERS

Mr. Brasher informed the Board that there is a grass fire that has burned 200 acres of Santa Fe County by Edgewood. We are sending equipment to help the County.

Mr. Brasher continued saying, last Thursday the State Transportation Commission met and took action on the Local Road Fund program. They approved \$95,000 for Santa Fe County under the County Co-Ops category, and \$55,199 for Santa Fe County under the Municipal Co-Op agreement. Under the School District Co-Op Program, Santa Fe Public Schools was awarded \$59,860. Under the County Arterial Program, Santa Fe County was awarded \$136,513 under the State. Santa Fe County can submit a request for a project that fits the funding. The local match is \$45,000. We probably have a project proposal from the County already. Under the School Bus Route Agreements, Santa Fe County was awarded \$112,800.

Commissioner Hansen asked who is the acting DOT Secretary.

Mr. Brasher said Justin Reiss. He used to work for Santa Fe County.

Both Chair Hughes and Commissioner Hansen asked how these funds can be used.

Mr. Brasher stated that these are Department of Transportation funds, so they have to be used for road projects.

5. NEXT MEETING JUNE 23, 2022

6. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.



Commissioner Hughes, Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer