

**Wilmington Urban Area
Technical Coordinating Committee
Meeting Notes for April 13, 2005 - Revised**

Members Present:

Lawless Bean, Cape Fear Breeze/City of Wilmington
Jonathan David, City of Wilmington
Yvonne Hatcher, Brunswick Transit
Mike Kozlosky, City of Wilmington
Cris Mowrey, NCSPA
Melinda Powell, Town of Wrightsville Beach
Patrick Riddle, NCDOT

Don Bennett, City of Wilmington
Don Eggert, Cape Fear RPO/COG
Deborah Houston, NCDOT/PTD
Cameron Moore, Town of Leland
Jonathan Parker, NCDOT
Penny Tysinger, Cape Fear COG

1. Call to Order

Mr. Kozlosky called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

2. Approval of Minutes from 2/9/05

Mr. Kozlosky called for any corrections or additions to the minutes. Mr. Moore made the motion to approve the February 9th meeting minutes. Mr. Mowrey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Old Business

a. 2006-2012 Draft TIP

Mr. Kozlosky told members there have been several changes to the draft TIP. A few projects have been delayed due to funding shortfalls at DOT. Most of the delayed projects will experience only a two year delay. DOT anticipates being back on track by then.

b. Brunswick Connector

Mr. Kozlosky said a sub-committee was formed to identify funding sources for the Brunswick Connector, and the committee identified came four options. They were: 1) funding based on population 2) funding based on ridership 3) private financing 4) or combination of any of the above. At the last TAC meeting, Mr. Wilson told members he would go back to DOT to see if they could find funds to continue the project through the next fiscal year.

c. Wilmington/Columbus County Public Transit Connection

Mr. Kozlosky asked Mr. Eggert to update the group on progress Wilmington/ Columbus County project.

Mr. Eggert told members they have applied for a Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant for funds and also identified a source to possibly secure funds through the Work Force Investment Funds Act with the State Department of Commerce as a local match thanks to Ms. Padgett involvement. The application was submitted last week and we should know something soon. If the program is funded, it will start January 1, 2006. There will be a lot of little details to work out.

4. Project Updates

a. College Road/Oleander Road Study

Mr. Kozlosky told members the DOT, along with Martin/Alexiou/Bryson, held a public input meeting on March 28th. Mr. Wilson requested that Martin/Alexiou/Bryson make a presentation to the TAC members at their next meeting. The presentation will include traffic simulations through the intersection. DOT will begin working on the environmental documents and the preliminary functional design for the quadrant approach. Based on the comments, the quadrant approach was the preferred solution by citizens who attended the meeting.

b. Military Cut-off Extension

Mr. Kozlosky told members that staff is still working to hire the LPA Group to complete the Official Transportation Corridor Map and preliminary engineering for the interchanges at Market and I-40. We are waiting for a letter from Calvin Leggett with NCDOT to proceed. Because the contract was for approximately \$80,000 and DOT had appropriated \$300,000 for the project, staff is investigating using the remainder of the funds for early property acquisition on the four lots that Dallas Harris Land Trust has in mediation with New Hanover County.

c. NC 133 and US17 Area Collector Street Plan

Mr. Kozlosky told members that Kimley-Horn and Associates made a presentation on April 7th at Belville Elementary. Staff is scheduled on the agenda at the Town of Leland's April 19th Council Meeting and will be taking the plan to the Town of Belville and Brunswick County. After each of the municipalities endorses the plan, staff will take that plan to the TAC for adoption as well.

5. New Business

a. WAVE Transit Internship

Mr. Kozlosky told members that WAVE transit has submitted a packet to DOT requesting an apprenticeship. . The total budget for the apprenticeship program is \$32,951.00. It will be a 90 state/10 local match. Mr. Kozlosky called for a motion to forward this request to the TAC for approval. Ms. Tysinger made the motion and Mr. Mowrey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Leland Area Collector Street Plan

Mr. Kozlosky told members that we have roughly \$45,000 in the budget for a collector street plan in Leland. The year ends June 30th and we have decided to do an addendum to our existing contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates for the NC133/US17 Collector Street Plan to complete this work. They will be able to complete the majority of the work in the current fiscal year and are very familiar with the area. The Leland Area Collector Street Plan will fill in the gap between the Navassa Collector Street Plan and the NC133/US17 Collector Street Plan. It seems like the next logical step for the area. We will need to come up with a steering committee for this area. Kimley-Horn will ultimately combine all three collector street plans into one overall map.

Mr. Eggert suggested keeping the same committee.

Mr. Moore said he did not have a problem with it and suggested that Navassa could be included on the committee.

6. Announcements

- a. NC 133/US 17 Public Information Presentation – April 7
- b. Spring "Litter Sweep" Roadside Cleanup – April 16-30

Mr. David told members he has accepted another position and will be returning to the Portland, Oregon area. His last day with the City will be April 20th.

7. Adjournment

Mr. Kozlosky asked if there were any other items of business. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45.