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2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Technical Steering Committee (MTPC) Meeting Agenda

TO: MTP Technical Steering Committee Members
FROM: Greer Templer, Senior Transportation Planner
DATE: May 2, 2025
SUBJECT: May 6, 2025, Meeting Agenda

A meeting of the Wilmington Urban Area MPO's Metropolitan Transportation Plan Technical Steering Committee (MTPC) will be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 10:00 AM. This meeting will be held in the WMPO Board Room located at 525 N 4th Street in downtown Wilmington. There will not be a virtual option.

The following is the agenda for the meeting:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approval of the Agenda
- 3) Approval of the Minutes from the June 20, 2024, Meeting
- 4) Discussion
 - a. Changes in Guidance for Federal Grant Recipients | Abby Lorenzo
 - b. Draft Cape Fear Navigating Change 2050 | Abby Lorenzo and Greer Templer
- 5) Adjourn

Attachments:

- Meeting Minutes – June 20, 2024

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Meeting Minutes
2050 MTP Technical Steering Committee (MTPC)
June 20, 2024

Members Present:

Linda Painter, Chairwoman, City of Wilmington
Daniel Adams, Vice Chairman, Pender County
Ben Andrea, Town of Leland
Stephanie Ayers, NC Ports
Tommy Batson, Pender County EM
Sam Boswell, Cape Fear RPO
Helen Bunch, Brunswick County
Paul Loukas, CAC Chairman
Amanda Killian, NCDOT TPD
Rebekah Roth, New Hanover County
Carol Stein, BPAC Chairwoman

Members Absent:

Brad Cannon, Wave Transit
Granseur Dick, ILM Wilmington International Airport
Michelle Howes, NCDOT Div. 3
Bill Marley, FHWA
Amy Schlag, City of Wilmington
Steven Still, New Hanover County EM

Staff and Guests Present:

Carolyn Caggia, WMPO Associate Transportation Planner/TDM Coordinator
Samjhana Khakurel, NCDOT TPD
Beth King, WMPO Associate Transportation Planner
Abby Lorenzo, WMPO Deputy Director
Greer Shivers, WMPO GIS Analyst
Michael Raynor, NCDOT TPD

1) Call to Order

- a. Chairwoman Painter called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

2) Approval of the Agenda

- a. The motion to approve was made by Tommy Batson.
- b. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Ayers.
- c. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Approval of the May 14, 2024, Minutes

- a. The motion to approve was made by Stephanie Ayers.
- b. The motion was seconded by Carol Stein.
- c. The motion passed unanimously.

4) Discussion

- a. 2050 MTP Modal Policies | Abby Lorenzo

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- i. The discussion began with an overview of the MTP's progress with respect to its vision, goals, and objectives, which were adopted by the WMPO Board on May 29th, 2024. WMPO staff also gave an update on project scoring, which is ongoing. Modal policy is the next work item to be completed before a draft MTP can be brought to the committee in 2025.
 - ii. The discussion moved to the proposed modal policies, which had been developed and vetted previously by WMPO staff and modal partners. The committee first focused on the proposed policies for aviation, discussing minor wording changes in the connected and resilient goals. In the bicycle/pedestrian mode, discussion was focused on clarifying language and ensuring the policies encompassed the intent of the objectives for the mode. During the discussion of the ferry policies, changes were made to clarify wording, as well as add policy where needed under the proactive goal. Another policy was added in the public transportation mode under the resilient objective. Multiple policies were formulated by the committee for the rail mode, specifically for the connected and resilient goals. Finally, minor changes were made to the policies for roadway. Overall, the discussion centered around ensuring the policies aligned with and encompassed the intent of the goals, objectives, and vision of the MTP.
 - iii. Following the modal policy discussion, a motion to approve the policies with the changes was made by Daniel Adams. This was seconded by Sam Boswell, and the motion passed unanimously.

5) Next Meeting

- a. The next meeting will take place in June 2025.

6) Adjourn

- a. Chairwoman Painter adjourned the meeting at 11:43am.