



TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

MAY 2nd, 2023 @ 10:00 A.M.
WCAPDD Conference Room
1000 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR

A. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

B. ACTION ITEMS

1. [Minutes – February 7th, 2023](#)
This will include the minutes from our last meeting on February 7th, 2023.
2. [FINAL - FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\) \(budget\)](#)
This will include the last and final presentation of the fiscal year 2024 UPWP.
3. [FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) Amendment](#)
This item will amend the current TIP to add the Central Avenue and Higdon Ferry Intersection Project. Without this amendment the project is currently on pause.
4. [2023 Short – Range Project List](#)
This will include any projects to be submitted for federal funding in the next Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) cycle. Projects not included in this list, will require additional arrangements with ARDOT for inclusion and/or funding.
5. [Performance Measures \(PM\) 2 & 3](#)
ARDOT's most recent performance measures for bridge/pavement condition, and travel time reliability will be presented.

C. MPO Reports/Announcements

D. ARDOT Reports/Announcements

E. TAC Member Reports/Announcements

F. Public Comments

G. Adjourn

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Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting
WCAPDD Conference Room
1000 Central Ave. Hot Springs, AR @ 10:00 AM

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Derrick Harris, MPO Study Director, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:02 AM

B. INTRODUCTION (Quorum = 51% = 8 committee members; must include not less than four (4) from different jurisdictions/organizations)

The following voting members and proxies were present:

- 1) Mike Hill – City of Hot Springs – City Engineer (for Gary Carnahan)
- 2) Kathy Sellman – City of Hot Springs – Planning Director
- 3) Ron Sievwright – City of Hot Springs – Public Works Director
- 4) Keith Jones – Intracity Transit – Transit Director
- 5) James Patton – Hot Springs Village POA
- 6) Gary Troutman – Hot Springs Metro Partnership
- 7) Anthony Hunter – ARDOT – Transportation Planner
- 8) Chris Polychron – Chamber of Commerce
- 9) Karl Lowry – Town of Fountain Lake
- 10) Jeffrey Carr – Garland County

Additionally, the following guests or non-voting members were present:

- 1) Lauren Adkins – City of Hot Springs – Planning
- 2) Jacqueline Hou – Engineer/Planner - ARDOT

C. ACTION ITEMS

- 1) **Minutes – February 7th, 2023** – The committee reviewed the minutes as presented. Kathy Sellman made a motion to approve the minutes; the motion was seconded by James Patton. The item passed unanimously.
- 2) **FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)** – Mr. Harris presented the final Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 UPWP for approval. Mr. Harris mentioned how this underwent a two-week public comment period, with no comments submitted. Chris Polychron made a motion to approve the motion as presented. The motion was seconded by Kathy Sellman. The item passed unanimously.
- 3) **FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment** – Mr. Harris presented a TIP Amendment to amend our current TIP to include the

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intersection improvement project at the convergence of Higdon Ferry and Central Avenue in front of Oaklawn Racing Resort and Casino. Mr. Harris highlighted how this project isn't currently in the TIP and is a requirement to receive federal funds. Kathy Sellman made a motion to approve the amendment as presented. The motion was seconded by Jeffrey Carr. The item passed unanimously.

- 4) **2023 Short- Range Project List** – Mr. Harris presented the project list and discussed how the list was created. He highlighted that these projects would be the ones submitted to the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) for consideration into the next Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Some discussion ensued, but the project list remained the same. Joint consensus on the project list.
- 5) **Performance Measures (PM) 2 & 3** – Staff from the Arkansas Department of Transportation presented on the proposed statewide targets for PM 2 and PM 3. These correspond to Bridge and Pavement condition, and Travel Time Reliability. After some discussion, Jeffery Carr made a motion to approve the statewide targets for PM 2 & 3, as presented. The motion was seconded by Chris Polychron. The motion passed unanimously.

D. MPO REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Harris informed the committee that the Hot Springs Urbanized Area would be getting a newly formed pot of money for reducing the carbon footprint in our area. This Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) could be utilized for trails, transit, electric vehicle infrastructure, etc..., and wanted to gain committee feedback on best use cases. The committee overwhelming agreed, that trails would be the best use of those funds.

E. ARDOT REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARDOT staff informed the committee of the upcoming Arkansas Transportation Conference to be held in North Little Rock beginning September 19th and continuing through the 21st.

F. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

No additional reports or announcements were made.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were provided.

H. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:17 a.m.