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MEMORANDUM

TO: Technical Coordinating Committee Members

FROM: Chris Lukasina, JUMPO Administrator

DATE: September 29, 2009

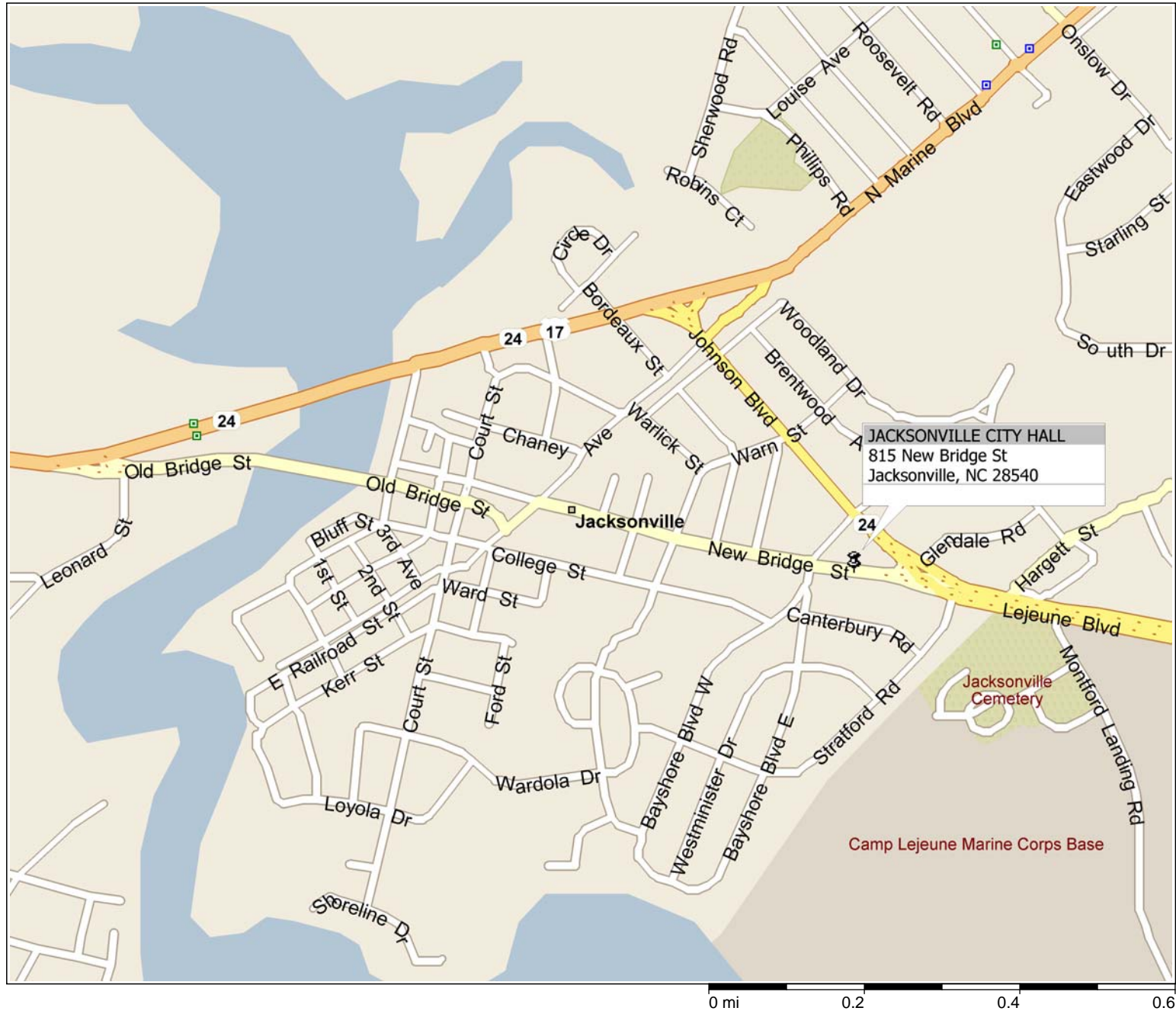
RE: **TCC Meeting – October 8, 2009**

A TCC meeting will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009, in Meeting Rooms A & B at Jacksonville City Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to consider regional transportation priorities and other transportation related items.

The full Agenda packet for this meeting is attached. Please notify me immediately if you have any items that you would like included on this agenda for discussion.

Your attendance or that of your alternate at this meeting is very important. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please contact me at (910) 938-5292.

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AGENDA TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC) JACKSONVILLE URBAN AREA MPO (JUMPO)

Oct. 8, 2009 - 10:30 A.M.

Meeting Rooms A & B, Jacksonville City Hall, Jacksonville, NC

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- I. Call to Order Reginald Goodson, Chairman
- II. Welcome and Introductions
- III. September 3, 2009 Minutes Reginald Goodson, Chairman
Minutes of the September 10, 2009 TCC meeting are enclosed as **Attachment 1** and are presented for approval.
ACTION: Approval of September 3, 2009 TCC Meeting Minutes
- IV. Regional Priority List Update (SPOT) Chris Lukasina, JUMPO
The NC Dept. of Transportation has been undergoing a transformation process geared toward improving transportation project development and system operations. As part of this process NCDOT has been working with MPOs and RPOs throughout the state to develop a data driven assessment of transportation needs throughout the state that can be prioritized and used to determine proper allocation of limited financial resources. This new and evolving process will be reviewed and potential implications for regional projects will be discussed. The updated prioritized list of transportation projects is presented as **Attachment 2**.
ACTION: Recommendation on changes to the Regional Transportation Priority List to TAC
- V. Report from MPO Administrator Chris Lukasina, JUMPO
A. Jacksonville Transit System Update
B. Long Range Transportation Plan Update
- VI. Report from NCDOT Transportation Planning James Upchurch, NCDOT-TPB
A. Other Items
- VII. Report from NCDOT Division 3 Engineer H. Allen Pope, PE, NCDOT
A. Division Projects Update
- VIII. Report from FHWA Field Office Bill Marley, FHWA
- IX. Questions, Answers, Closing Comments, and Adjournment Reginald Goodson, Chairman



Attachment: 1 Technical Coordinating Committee Action Required

To: Technical Coordinating Committee
From: Chris Lukasina, MPO Administrator
Subject: Minutes from September 3, 2009 TCC meeting

10/8/2009

The draft minutes of the September 3, 2009 TCC meeting are included as Attachment 1 in the agenda package for review and approval by the TCC.

Action Needed: Adoption of September 3, 2009 TCC meeting minutes

Attachments: September 3, 2009 TCC meeting minutes

**MEETING OF THE JACKSONVILLE URBAN AREA
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

DRAFT MINUTES

September 3, 2009, 10:30 AM

Reginald Goodson, Chairperson, called the Jacksonville Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting to order at 10:37 A.M. on Thursday, September 3, 2009, in Meeting Room A&B of the Jacksonville City Hall.

TCC Members Present:

Ron Massey, Interim City Manager, City of Jacksonville
Matt Stuart, Onslow County Planning & Development Department
Reggie Goodson, Chairperson, Planning & Dev. Services Director, City of Jacksonville
Grant Sparks, Public Services Department, City of Jacksonville
Jim Reichardt, Executive Director, Jacksonville-Onslow Economic Development
Allen Pope, P.E., Division 3 Engineer, NCDOT
Scott Shuford, Planning Director, Onslow County
Carol Long, Executive Director, OUTS

TCC Members Absent:

Jeff Hudson, County Manager, Onslow County
Angela Cole, Deputy County Manager, Onslow County

Others Present:

Robert Vause, District Engineer, NCDOT
Patrick Riddle, NCDOT (Alternate for NCDOT Div. 3 Engineer)

Management Staff Present:

Chris Lukasina, JUMPO Administrator
Debbie Jefferson, Administrative Assistant, City of Jacksonville

Welcome

Mr. Goodson welcomed everyone to City Hall. Mr. Goodson asks everyone to introduce themselves.

June 10, 2009 Minutes –

Mr. Goodson asked for approval of June 10, 2009 minutes, asked if everyone has read them; if so we can entertain a motion. Mr. Riddle informed us of a correction to his name. Mr. Lukasina pointed out that Ms. Long found some grammatical errors that will be corrected. Mr. Lukasina accepted change. Mr. Goodson asked if there were any more changes. Mr. Goodson asked for a motion. Mr. Sparks motioned to accept minutes and Mr. Riddle 2nd the motion of the minutes. Mr. Goodson asked if any discussion, none, all in favor, none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

Statewide Project Prioritization

Mr. Lukasina presented an update on the NCDOT transformation process geared toward improving transportation project development and system operations. As part of this process NCDOT has been working with MPO's and RPO's throughout the state to develop a data driven assessment of transportation needs throughout the state that can be prioritized and used to determine proper allocation of limited financial resources. This new and evolving process will be explained and potential implications for regional projects will be discussed.

The TCC Committee discussed different areas of allocated funds including mobility, safety, maintenance, and the recommendations of the Military Growth Task Force to determine what potential impacts there may be on the existing regional transportation priorities list and if any changes should be recommended to the TAC.

Continued discussion on Long Range Transportation Plan took place and included an update on the timeline for model runs. Further discussion on the LRTP update, and revisiting the possibility of ranking prior projects with the new criteria. Concerns with lack of available data needed for NCDOT's criteria and suitable substitutes were identified and discussed. A working group was established and staff was directed to run the existing project list and additional projects as feasible from the LRTP through the NCDOT quantitative analysis as the data allows. Meeting dates were set up to continue the process. The working group includes Mr. Massey, Mr. Riddle, Mr. Shuford, Mr. Stuart, Mr. Reichardt, and Mr. Vause.

2009 – 2010 UPWP Amendment

Mr. Lukasina gave report – On April 14, 2009 the Jacksonville MPO Transportation Advisory Committee adopted the FY 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). To meet the needs of an evolving multimodal transportation system, a modification to the existing (UPWP) is required to ensure an ongoing 3-C transportation planning process. The amendment reflects changes necessary to support transit capital improvements through the Section 5307 program.

Mr. Pope made a motion to adopt the proposed (UPWP) as presented; the motion was seconded by Mr. Reichardt. No discussion, all in favor, motion carried.

Report from MPO Administrator

- A. **Jacksonville Transit System Update-** Mr. Massey reported changes to the ridership counting procedures to better align with statewide and national best practices. As a result ridership appeared to jump by 1,000 for July, 2009. This is a result of the change in counting that consists of counting transfers as riders. Mr. Massey went on to discuss the approval of ARRA Section 5307 funding that will be used to purchase replacement buses, a bus wash facility, and some improvements to the bus parking area at the City's Fleet Center. Additionally, automated fare boxes and vehicle locators will be acquired. This will give the system the ability to get into bus pass useage in case some people do not have the correct change. Next big project is completing the big master plan and starting on some recommendations to enhance regional transportation. Mr. Lukasina replies the newsletter that shows the summary of the Regional Transit Plan process. A special study since January. Jacksonville City

Council has reviewed the draft plan and will be considering adoption on Oct. 6th. JUMPO will also be meeting with the county to look at their portion with OUTS for an adoption of their plan.

The regional transit plan is now being called the New River Transit Plan and is a combination of three public transportation related planning documents. The Jacksonville Transit Master Plan which deals with fixed route system within the city, the OUTS Community Public Transportation Plan which deals with on demand services that OUTS provides. The Local Coordinated Humans Services Plan is a regional plan that is required to get us access to three new federal funding sources that are specific for transit programs. Ms. Long replies that on some of the funding we can apply for like job access in reverse commute that is not income based. It's all public transportation

- B. **Long Range Transportation Plan Update-** Mr. Lukasina stated this is something that we will be getting into right after the prioritization exercise. Will be having TCC meetings at least once a month for the rest of the calendar year. At least one in December. Mr. Lukasina replies, one other thing he wanted to give you an update on. The Regional Intelligence Transportation System project. In June the project was amended to include the project U-5168. In July the Board of Transportation did the same. Also met with the Jacksonville City Council to update them on the project and begin to look at implementation side.

Report from NCDOT Transportation Planning

No Report

Report from NCDOT Division 3 Engineer

Mr. Riddle gave report refers to the handout – two projects were added to the list
(U-5132) NC 24 Camp Lejeune's new entrance: construction of a new interchange near the intersection of NC 24 and SR 1308 (Bell Fork Road). In Planning and Design

(U-5168) Jacksonville Computerized Signal System: Construction of a new computerized signal system, including message boards and cameras. Currently developing the agreement.

Mr. Massey asked if full ROW acquisition was still part of the Piney Green project. Mr. Pope replies if it's not with the five year work plan. Mr. Pope indicated it will not be voted on by the board until May of 2010. Mr. Lukasina asked about the (U3810 B). Mr. Pope indicated that the ROW for U-3810B is no longer included.

A discussion about the Military Task Force, Piney Green and ITS took place between Mr. Massey, Mr. Pope, Mr. Reichardt and Mr. Lukasina.

COMMENTS

Mr. Reichardt asks; what is the Rural Center Pre-Applications on the back of the Newsletter. Mr. Lukasina informed the group that is it just one of several upcoming deadlines for funding and other projects that may be of interest to the JUMPO membership. Mr. Reichardt the reason it sparked my interest is Onslow County did have an application in to do a sewer study for Burton Industrial Park.

Motion to adjourn made by Grant Sparks second by Scott Shuford. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.



Attachment: 2 Technical Coordinating Committee Action Required

To: Technical Coordinating Committee
From: Chris Lukasina, MPO Administrator
Subject: Draft Transportation Priorities List Changes

10/8/2009

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is updated every two years by NCDOT and JUMPO. As part of the ongoing transformation process at the NC Dept. of Transportation, the SPOT office has been working with MPOs and RPOs throughout the state to develop a data driven assessment of transportation needs that can be prioritized and used to determine proper allocation of limited financial resources. The JUMPO regional list has been evaluated by a working group of TCC members and the composite scores are based on the three SPOT categories of Mobility, Safety, and Infrastructure Health. The table below includes current priority ranking and the draft modifications based on the quantitative SPOT analysis.

Action Needed: Consideration of changes to the Regional Transportation Priorities List and possible recommendations to the TAC

Attachments: Regional Transportation Priorities List with SPOT changes

JUMPO Transportation Priority List

Quantitative Roadway Priorities

09-15 Rank	SPOT		Project	TIP #	Previous Cost Est.	Current Cost Est.	Comments
	Quantitative Score	Rank					
26	252	1	Western Blvd. Improvements	-	\$ -	\$ 6,300,000	Construct Median & intersection improvements from US 17 to NC 24
30	202	2	Curtis Rd Interchange	-	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000	Intersection improvements at MCAS New River main gate.
7	190	3	US 17 Bypass	U-4007C*	\$ 74,000,000	\$ 69,215,000	U-4007C is in the 09-15 TIP but is unfunded. This phase includes a grade seperated interchange at US Hwy 17 & Western Blvd. Future phasing may be necessary
17	189	4	NC 53		\$ 11,779,292	\$ 15,979,292	Widen to 4-lane, median divided from NC 24 to SR113 (Murrill Hill Rd). 2.4 miles
5	175	5	Corbin Hemlock Connector	U-4409*	\$ 14,725,000	\$ 20,320,500	ROW estimate not available
23	164	6	Pine Valley Rd		\$ 847,502	\$ 1,600,000	Widen from NC 24 to Village Dr. & install dual left at NC 24
28	159	7	Johnson Blvd. Improvements	-	\$ -	\$ 2,500,000	Construct median & intersection improvements from US 17 Bus. to Lejeune Blvd.
24	157	8	Northwest Corridor	U-5106C	\$ -	\$ 3,900,000	Gum Branch /Western Blvd. Interchange
25	144	9	Western Parkway Ext.	-	\$ -	\$ 19,500,000	Gateway Drive North to Gum Branch Rd
18	139	10	US 258/NC24		\$ 4,847,422	\$ 6,300,000	Widen US 258/NC 24 from the Maplehurst Ext. to US 17 Bypass
12	139	11	Country Club Rd Widening (Bell Fork to Western)	U-4707*	\$ 17,550,000	\$ 24,219,000	Country Club Rd. has been widened to 3-lane facility with bicycle lanes from Bell Fork Rd to Greenway Rd. (SEPARATE FROM U-4907)
13	136	12	NC 24 Corridor Improvements	-	\$ 18,671,310	\$ 25,766,408	Access Management, ITS, Drainage Improvements
19	135	13	Hargett St.		\$ 7,671,433	\$ 9,900,000	Widen to 4-lane divided from Bell Fork Rd to existing 4-lane section north of NC 24
29	129	14	New Bridge St. Improvements	-	\$ -	\$ 2,500,000	Construct median & intersection improvements from Railroad to Lejeune Blvd.
27	122	15	Gum Branch Rd. Improvements	-	\$ -	\$ 11,000,000	Construct Median & intersection improvements from Western Blvd to US 17 Bus.
21	121	16	Wolf Swamp Rd	-	\$ 6,974,788	\$ 9,100,000	Widen to 4-lane divided from Piney Green to Fox Run Rd. new location Fox Run to Drummer Kellum
8	108	17	US 17 Bypass	U-4007D*	\$ 74,000,000	\$ 48,345,000	U-4007D is in the 09-15 TIP but is unfunded. This phase includes a grade seperated interchange at US Hwy 17 & Piney Green Rd. Future phasing may be necessary
3	108	18	Piney Green Rd Widening	U-3810B*	\$ 34,525,000	\$ 13,783,000	U-3810 has been divided into Part A & B. Construction funding is not programmed for Part B construction. This includes from Halltown Rd. to US Hwy 17.
6	101	19	Northwest Corridor	U-5106A	\$ 35,524,150	\$ 99,200,000	Cost Estimates developed from NCDOT Feasibility Study (11/07). Part A: US-258 to Gum Branch Rd; includes a bridge over the New River and grade seperated interchange at Gum Branch/Western Blvd.
14	89	20	Thomas Humphrey/Waters/Rocky Run Connection	-	\$ 8,532,000	\$ 20,255,000	
20	84	21	Gum Branch Rd.	R-2126 (part)	\$ 20,160,000	\$ 26,200,000	Widen from Summersill School Rd. to UAB (ultimately US258 in Richlands)
9	81	22	Northwest Corridor	U-5106B	\$ 35,524,150	\$ 46,000,000	Cost Estimates developed from NCDOT Feasibility Study (11/07). Part B: Gum Branch Rd to US Hwy 17 North; includes a grade seperated interchange at Western Blvd. and at US Hwy 17 North.
22	58	23	Brynn Marr Rd	-	\$ 1,117,611	\$ 2,700,000	Widen to 3-lanes from Western to Bell Fork
15		-	Priority Intersection Improvements	-	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	
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