

# OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

## Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Meeting, May 16, 2017 - 10:00 A.M. At Old Colony Planning Council, 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

### Members Present:

David Mohler, Representing Stephanie Pollack, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT  
Pamela Haznar, Representing Thomas Tinlin, P.E., Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division  
Eldon Moreira, Chairman, West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen  
Pat Ciaramella, Executive Director, OCPC, Representing Frank Staffier, President, OCPC  
Glenn Geiler, Representing Ray Ledoux, Administrator, Brockton Area Transit Authority (BAT)  
Dan Salvucci, Vice-Chairman, Whitman Board of Selectmen  
Lee Hartmann, Town of Plymouth, Representing Kenneth Tavares, Chairman, Board of Selectmen  
Nicholas Giaquinto, Representing Mayor Bill Carpenter, Brockton

### Others Present:

Kathy Riddell, BAT  
Chike Odunukwe, City of Brockton  
Craig Pina, City of Brockton  
Paul Umamo, City of Brockton  
Annie Lemelin, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF)  
Ron Morgan, GATRA  
Bill Shine, Independence Associates  
Thomas Bott, Town of Kingston  
Phil Sheppard, Massasoit Community College  
Timothy Kochan, MassDOT District 5  
Trey Wadsworth, MassDOT Planning  
Noreen O'Toole, Town of Stoughton  
Marc Tisdelle, Town of Stoughton  
Bill McNulty, Old Colony Planning Council  
Charles Kilmer, Old Colony Planning Council  
Kyle Mowatt, Old Colony Planning Council  
Ray Guarino, Old Colony Planning Council  
Shawn Bailey, Old Colony Planning Council  
Jimmy Pereira, Old Colony Planning Council  
Paul Chenard, Old Colony Planning Council  
Eric Arbeene, Old Colony Planning Council  
Jim Watson, Old Colony Planning Council

### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Mohler called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and then read the meeting accessibility statement. Those in attendance then introduced themselves.

### 2. Public Comments

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Eldon Moreira thanked MassDOT for the current work on the Route 106 Bridge in West Bridgewater.

### 3. Minutes of the April 18, 2017 Meeting

Chairperson Mohler asked the MPO Members for comments or changes regarding the minutes of the April 18, 2017 meeting. The Old Colony MPO then endorsed the minutes of the April 18, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting.

### 4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Glenn Geiler thanked everyone who attended BAT's new transit bus unveiling. All eight of the new transit coach buses will be on the road in the next few weeks.

BAT and OCPC will be hosting a bike to work event on Friday, May 19 at the BAT Centre. BAT recently purchased new bike racks and an outdoor bicycle air pump.

### 5. Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

#### ▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement

Charles Kilmer discussed the Draft FFY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Two projects that OCPC is looking to include in Element 3000 is a Route 106 Corridor Study from Route 3A in Kingston to Route 28 in West Bridgewater, and an update of the Old Colony Regional Policy Plan.

On April 18, 2017, the Old Colony MPO released the Draft FFY 2018 UPWP to a 21-day public review and comment period. With the completion of the 21-day public review and comment period, the Old Colony MPO is respectfully asked to review the public comments and consider endorsement of the Revised Draft FFY 2018 UPWP. Public comments are as follows:

- **Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors** – The Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony UPWP.
- **Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)** – The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony UPWP.

Charles Kilmer stated that the two staff vacancies at OCPC have been removed from the UPWP. Also, a narrative has been added on the performance measures as well as added literature on Task 3500.

Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to endorse the Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to endorse the Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).*

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## 6. Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Adjustment 2

Charles Kilmer discussed the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Adjustment 2. The Adjustments are as follows:

### FFY 2017

#### SECTION 5307

1. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY REPLACEMENT 40-FT BUS (4) (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$600,000
  
2. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS (6) (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$410,000
  
3. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY ASSOC CAP MAINT ITEMS (MATCH IN FY18) FEDERAL COST IS \$80,000
  
4. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - 35-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION (2) HYBRID (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$280,000
  
5. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – VEH OVERHAUL (UP TO 20% VEH MAINT) (3) (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$126,000
  
6. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – REHAB/RENOVATE - BUS TERMINAL - Concrete, pavers, pavement (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$40,000
  
7. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - SHOP EQUIPMENT (2) HEAVY DUTY LIFTS (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$200,000
  
8. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - REPLACEMENT SUPPORT VEHICLE (1) (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$48,000
  
9. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (MATCH IN FY18)

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- FEDERAL COST IS \$64,000
- 10. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – REHAB/RENOVATE - SHOP EQUIPMENT Waste Oil Heater (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$12,000
- 11. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – PURCHASE BUS SHELTERS (MATCH IN FY18)
  - FEDERAL COST IS \$16,000

### FFY 2018

#### OTHER NON-FEDERAL

1. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY REPLACEMENT 40-FT BUS (4) (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$1,640,000
2. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY REPLACEMENT 35-FT BUS (6) (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$2,400,000
3. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – BUY ASSOC CAP MAINT ITEMS (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$24,000
4. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - 35-FT BUS FOR EXPANSION (2) HYBRID (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$1,064,000
5. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – VEH OVERHAUL (UP TO 20% VEH MAINT) (3) (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$560,000
6. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – REHAB/RENOVATE - BUS TERMINAL - Concrete, pavers, pavement (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$10,000
7. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - SHOP EQUIPMENT (2) HEAVY DUTY LIFTS (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$50,000

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8. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - REPLACEMENT SUPPORT VEHICLE (1) (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$19,000
9. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – ACQUIRE - MISC SUPPORT EQUIPMENT (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$20,000
10. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – REHAB/RENOVATE - SHOP EQUIPMENT Waste Oil Heater (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$3,000
11. BROCKTON AREA TRANSIT (BAT)
  - ADJUSTMENT: ADD PROJECT – PURCHASE BUS SHELTERS (MATCH IN FY17)
  - STATE COST IS \$8,000

Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to approve the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Adjustment 2. A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to approve the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Adjustment 2.*

### **7. Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 1**

#### **▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement**

Charles Kilmer discussed the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1 regarding the Brockton – Stormwater Improvements Along Route 28 Project (608134). Amendment 1 is as follows:

- Remove Project as it is being deactivated and is being replaced by Marlborough-Sudbury Stormwater Improvements along Route 20 (608217) which will be programmed in the Boston MPO's TIP.

On April 18, 2017, the Old Colony MPO released the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1 to a 21-day public review and comment period. With the completion of the 21-day public review and comment period, the Old Colony MPO is respectfully asked to review the public comments and consider endorsement of the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1. The public comments are as follows:

- **Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors** – The Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1.
- **Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)** – The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1.

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Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to endorse the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1. A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to endorse the Draft FFY 2017-2021 Old Colony TIP Amendment 1.*

### 8. Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

#### ▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement

Charles Kilmer stated that on April 18, 2017, the Old Colony MPO released the Draft FFY 2018-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to a 21-day public review and comment period. Charles Kilmer reported that the Stoughton – Tosca Drive/ Central/ Canton Street Project has been added to FFY 2022. With the completion of the 21-day public review and comment period, the Old Colony MPO is respectfully asked to review the public comments and consider endorsement of the Revised Draft FFY 2018-2022 TIP. The comments are as follows:

- **Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors** – The Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony TIP.
- **Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)** – The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony TIP.
- **Marc Tisdelle, Stoughton Town Engineer** – Marc Tisdelle was hoping to see the Tosca Drive/Central Street intersection on the TIP.
- **Duxbury Board of Selectmen** – The Duxbury Board of Selectmen has voted unanimously in favor of expressing its continued support for the signalization of the Exit 10 ramps in Kingston and Duxbury, which is in each of your TIP Drafts currently out for public comment and review.
- **Nikki Tishler** – Comments provided are with regard to edits and corrections (project costs and project GHG analysis).
- **Annie Lemelin, CLF** – CLF hopes to see further investment in BAT. Further investment may be accomplished by flexing funding, which has been successful for other MPOs in the Commonwealth.
- **David Mohler, MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning** – In each fiscal year of the TIP there are highway funds available for programming. Please work with Highway Division District 5 and your municipal partners to identify or initiate projects to program these available funds. Please update the greenhouse gas emissions information for the 2019 Highway tab which reports an error on line 75 and on the 2018 Transit tab, line 6, which should be labeled as qualitative, until analysis can be completed.

Nick Giaquinto expressed support for the Brockton Projects in the TIP.

Glenn Geiler thanked MassDOT for all their support with the Transit Projects.

Pam Haznar stated that the Stoughton – Tosca Drive Project estimate is very preliminary. MPO should be cautious because there is potential for the cost to go up.

Marc Tisdelle expressed the Town of Stoughton's support for the Tosca Drive Project.

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Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to amend the Stoughton – Intersection Improvements and Related work at Central Street, Canton Street and Tosca Drive project into the 2018-2022 TIP. A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to amend the Stoughton – Intersection Improvements and Related work at Central Street, Canton Street and Tosca Drive project into the 2018-2022 TIP.*

Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to endorse the Revised Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to endorse the Revised Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).*

### 9. Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS)

#### ▪ Public Comments and Potential Endorsement

Ray Guarino discussed the proposed CRFCS and CUFCS.

The National Highway Freight Network is made up of four components:

1. **The Primary Highway Freight System (PHFS):** The most critical highway portions of the U.S. freight transportation system. 41,518 centerline miles (37,436 Interstate centerline miles; 4,082 non-Interstate centerline miles)
2. **The Remaining portion of Interstate roads not included in the PHFS:** 9,511 Interstate centerline miles
3. **Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRSCs):** Public roads not in an urbanized area which provide access and connection to the PHFS and the Interstate with other important ports, public transportation facilities, or other intermodal freight facilities
4. **Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS):** Public roads in urbanized areas which provide access and connection to the PHFS and the Interstate with other ports, public transportation facilities, or other intermodal transportation facilities

Massachusetts is allocated 150 miles of Critical Rural Freight Corridor (CRFC) mileage and 75 miles of Critical Urban Freight Corridor Mileage (CUFC). Old Colony is allocated 0.84 miles of CRFC and 3.44 miles of CUFC. This is based on Old Colony's centerline mileage as a percentage of Massachusetts as a whole.

On April 18, 2017, the Old Colony MPO released the Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS) to a 21-day public review and comment period. With the completion of the 21-day public review and comment period, the Old Colony MPO is respectfully asked to review the public comments and consider endorsement of the Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS). The public comments are as follows:

- **Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors** – The Old Colony Planning Council Board of Directors reviewed and approved the Draft Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS).

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- **Old Colony Joint Transportation Committee (JTC)** – The Old Colony JTC reviewed and approved the Draft Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS).

Chairperson Mohler asked if there is a motion to endorse the Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS). A motion was made and was seconded.

*The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to endorse the Proposed Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFCS) and Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFCS).*

### **10. Administrative Matters, Other Business, and Date and Time of Next Meeting(s)**

Paul Chenard stated that roads must be designed for the most vulnerable users when possible. A roadway that used to have wide shoulders was repaved recently, now it has very narrow shoulders. Paul Chenard believes that these oversights are opportunities lost.

The next meeting will be on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

### **11. Adjournment**

Chairperson Mohler adjourned the meeting at 10:28 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kyle Mowatt*

Kyle Mowatt, Transportation Planner

### **List of Documents for the May 16, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting**

Minutes of April 18, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting

Staff Report for May 16, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items

MassDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Look! Brochure

Revised Draft FFY 2018 Old Colony Unified Planning Work Program

Addendum to Project Initiation Form – Canton Street at Central Street/ Tosca Drive, Stoughton, MA

Revised Draft FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program