

# OLD COLONY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

Meeting Minutes of the Old Colony MPO Meeting, January 16, 2018 - 10:00 A.M.  
At Old Colony Planning Council, 70 School Street, Brockton, MA

## Members Present:

Stephen Woelfel, Representing Stephanie Pollack, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT  
Pamela Haznar, Representing Jonathan Gulliver, Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division  
Eldon Moreira, Clerk, West Bridgewater Board of Selectmen  
Pat Ciaramella, Executive Director, OCPC, Representing Frank Staffier, President, OCPC  
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  
Nelson Hoffman, FHWA

## Others Present:

Carlton Hunt, Bridgewater  
Chike Odunukwe, Brockton  
Amy Lavra Cahn, Conservation Law Foundation (CLF)  
Bill Shine, Independence Associates  
Thomas Bott, Kingston  
Nick Palantzas, Massasoit Community College  
Derek Krevat, MassDOT  
Timothy Kochan, MassDOT District 5  
Noreen O'Toole, Stoughton  
Shawn Bailey, Old Colony Planning Council  
Bruce Hughes, Old Colony Planning Council  
Charles Kilmer, Old Colony Planning Council  
Kyle Mowatt, Old Colony Planning Council  
Jimmy Pereira, Old Colony Planning Council  
Laurie Muncy, Old Colony Planning Council  
Lisa Sullivan, Old Colony Planning Council

## 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Woelfel called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and then read the meeting accessibility statement, and the Title VI Notice of Protection Statement. Those in attendance then introduced themselves.

## 2. Public Comments

Carlton Hunt stated that the Town Manager of Bridgewater is on a committee looking at the feasibility of changing the flow of traffic in the center of Bridgewater. The Town of Bridgewater will be working closely with the MPO on this task.

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## 3. Minutes of the November 21, 2017 Meeting

Chairperson Woelfel asked the MPO Members for comments or changes regarding the minutes of the November 21, 2017 meeting. There being no changes, the Old Colony MPO then endorsed the minutes of the November 21, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting.

## 4. Brockton Area Transit (BAT) Report

Ray Ledoux provided a report on BAT activities:

- BAT provided service during the recent blizzard. During the blizzard BAT operated on the Saturday schedule while keeping the Ashmont route operating.
- 12 new transit coaches are expected to be delivered in June 2018.
- BAT may be implementing a fare increase in July.
- Dan Salvucci complimented BAT on having the bus stops very clear during this snow storm.

## 5. Results of Common Community Decisions and Adjustment of Old Colony MPO Boundary

- **Adjusted Old Colony MPO Boundary – Review and Potential Endorsement**

Charles Kilmer discussed the adjusted Old Colony MPO Boundary, and provided the timeline leading up to today.

The Towns of Duxbury, Hanover, Pembroke, and Stoughton are members of both the Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC), and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC). Recently, the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration notified MAPC and OCPC that, while the Commonwealth allows a municipality to be a member of two RPAs, federal regulations prohibit a municipality from being a member of more than one MPO.

The four communities were contacted and asked to select which MPO they wish to have membership in for the federally required regional transportation planning and funding processes. From the selection process, all four communities chose the Old Colony MPO as the MPO that each of them wishes to have membership. As such, the adjusted Old Colony MPO Boundary will include the four communities in their entirety, and thus the Old Colony MPO Region will consist of seventeen communities.

Chairperson Woelfel asked if there is a motion to approve the adjusted Old Colony MPO Boundary. A motion was made and was seconded.

The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to approve the adjusted Old Colony MPO Boundary.

## 6. FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and/ or Adjustments

- **Adjustment 1 – Review and Potential Endorsement**

Charles Kilmer discussed Adjustment 1. Adjustment 1 follows:

### 1. City of Brockton

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- MA-214, Brockton Main Street Circulation Study (Federal Earmark) for Design
- Cost is \$476,691.99 (\$381,353.59 Federal; \$95,338.40 City of Brockton)

**Adjustment: Change MassDOT Project ID# From MA-214 to OC0001**

**Adjustment: Include Source of Local Match in Additional Information; Demo ID MA-214 Earmark for Design; City of Brockton Match**

Chairperson Woelfel asked if there is a motion to approve Adjustment 1. A motion was made and was seconded.

The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to approve Adjustment 1.

## **7. Development of FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

### **▪ Universe of Projects**

Charles Kilmer discussed and reviewed the Universe of Projects for the FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP, and noted that the 2023 Projects have yet to be finalized.

The projects being reviewed during the development of the FFY 2019-2023 Old Colony TIP include:

### **2019**

- **ABINGTON/BROCKTON** - NORTH QUINCY STREET, CHESTNUT STREET, AND BOUNDARY AVENUE ROUNDABOUT AND GEOMETRIC IMPROVEMENTS
- **AVON** - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT HARRISON BOULEVARD AND POND STREET
- **BROCKTON** - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 123 (BELMONT STREET), FROM ANGUS BEATON DRIVE TO WEST STREET (\$4,016,831 REGIONAL TARGET; \$592,300 STATEWIDE CMAQ)
- **EAST BRIDGEWATER** - RESURFACING AND SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION ON BEDFORD STREET (ROUTE 18), FROM WHITMAN STREET (ROUTE 106) TO CENTRAL STREET (\$3,480,668 REGIONAL TARGET; \$1,891,000 STATEWIDE CMAQ)

### **2020**

- **EASTON** - ROUTE 123 (DEPOT STREET) RECONSTRUCTION FROM NEWELL CIRCLE TO ROUTE 138
- **STOUGHTON** - IMPROVEMENTS AT WEST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (SRTS)

### **2021**

- **BROCKTON** - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS @ CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27)/QUINCY STREET/ MASSASOIT BOULEVARD
- **KINGSTON** - BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, K-01-014, SMITHS LANE OVER ROUTE 3 (PILGRIM HIGHWAY)
- **STOUGHTON** - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 138

### **2022**

- **PEMBROKE** - REHABILITATION OF ROUTE 36 (CENTER STREET) FROM ROUTE 27 TO ROUTE 14
- **STOUGHTON** - INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK AT CENTRAL STREET,

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CANTON STREET AND TOSCA DRIVE

## 2023 - Potential Projects

- **BROCKTON** - IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WORK ON CRESCENT STREET (ROUTE 27), INCLUDING REPLACEMENT OF GROVE STREET BRIDGE, B-25-005, OVER SALISBURY PLAIN RIVER
- **EASTON** - RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 138 (ROOSEVELT CIRCLE TO STOUGHTON TOWN LINE (EXCLUDING THE SECTION FROM ELM STREET TO UNION STREET))
- **HANSON** - CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS ON ROUTE 14 (MAQUAN STREET), FROM THE PEMBROKE T.L. TO INDIAN HEAD STREET AND RELATED WORK
- **PEMBROKE** - RESURFACING AND RELATED WORK ON ROUTE 53

Ray Ledoux asked if all the 2018 projects are ready to go. Pam Haznar stated that all the projects are either at 100% Design or PS&E stage.

Pam Haznar made everyone aware that every project that is on the TIP or has potential to be on the TIP should have an updated project design schedule.

## 8. Performance Based Planning and MassDOT Proposed Calendar Year 2018 Highway Safety Targets

- **Presentation, discussion, and possible adoption of the proposed set of federally required performance targets pertaining to highway safety**

Derek Krevat provided a presentation on the proposed set of federally required performance targets pertaining to highway safety. The following is a summary and timeline for the PM1, PM2, and PM3 Performance Measure Targets:

- State DOT Performance Measure targets required for the following:
  - PM1 - Safety Measures by: August 31, 2017
  - PM2 - Pavement/Bridge Performance (NHS condition %) by: May 20, 2018
  - PM3 - System Performance Measures (CMAQ, Freight) by: May 20, 2018
- Requires coordination of target setting with MPOs:
  - MPOs establish their own set of quantifiable performance targets or
  - MPOs adopt state performance targets (for the entire Commonwealth – no quantifiable targets required for region)
  - Either way, MPOs must set targets, and incorporate them into Certification Documents

A discussion was started regarding bicycle and pedestrian related injuries and fatalities trend going up, and if there was a way to express the data in a rate instead of actual totals. Chike Odunukwe stated that the trend is not going to flatten out until the rise of pedestrians and bicyclists levels out.

Chairperson Woelfel asked if there is a motion for the Old Colony MPO to approve and adopt the proposed MassDOT set of federally required performance targets pertaining to highway safety. A motion was made and was seconded.

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The Old Colony MPO voted unanimously to approve and adopt the proposed MassDOT set of federally required performance targets pertaining to highway safety.

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

The next Old Colony MPO meeting will be held on February 20, 2018.

### **10. Adjournment**

Chairperson Woelfel adjourned the meeting at 10:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kyle Mowatt*

Kyle Mowatt, Transportation Planner

### **List of Documents for the January 16, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting**

- Minutes of November 21, 2017 Old Colony MPO Meeting
- Staff Report for January 16, 2018 Old Colony MPO Meeting Agenda Items
- Status of Projects Programmed in FFY 2018 of FFY 2018-2022 Old Colony TIP