



## MEETING MINUTES

November 6, 2018

2:00 P.M.

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**Committee Members Present:** Randy Ognio, Fayette County BOC  
Chris Hindman, City of Fayetteville Staff  
Carlos Christian, Fayette County Staff  
Martin Sas, Fayette County Citizen Representative  
Mayor Gary Laggis, Town of Woolsey  
Phil Mallon, Fayette County Staff  
Shayne Robinson, Peachtree City Citizen Representative  
Jaimi Tapp, Town of Tyrone Citizen Representative  
Ellen Walls, Town of Brooks Staff

**Committee Members Absent:** Charles W. Oddo, Fayette County BOC  
Lt. Gary Farr, Fayette County Sheriff's Office

**Guests:** Joseph Robison, Fayette County Staff  
Chris Rideout, Croy Engineering

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**1. Call to Order by Chair Randy Ognio**

Chairman Ognio called the November 6, 2018 Transportation Committee meeting to order at 2:06pm.

**2. Ascertainment of Quorum**

Chairman Ognio acknowledged that a Quorum of the Transportation Committee was present.

**3. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda**

Mrs. Robinson moved to accept the updated agenda. Mrs. Tapp second the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Review and Approval of the September 4, 2018 and October 3, 2018 Transportation Committee Meeting Minutes.**

The revised September 4 meeting minutes were approved unanimously on a motion from Mrs. Robinson and a second from Mrs. Tapp.

Mrs. Robinson motioned to approve the October 3 meeting minutes with one change, that the wording for Section 9a state that the committee voted to make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Mallon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Robinson motioned to approve the 2019 Transportation Committee meeting schedule with one change moving the July meeting date to July 9<sup>th</sup>, due to the holiday. Mr. Sas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## 5. Report of Committee Members

### a. McDonough Road Bridge Replacement – update (Phil)

Mr. Mallon reported that the County Board of Commissioners approved sending a letter of support for a GDOT project to replace the McDonough Road Bridge over the Flint River. The BOC specified that the right-of-way costs should be split between Fayette and Clayton County. The letter was sent to GDOT on October 26.

### b. Antioch / Goza Intersection – update (Joe)

Mr. Robison informed the Committee that the Board of Commissioners accepted the Transportation Committee's recommendation for waiting six months to make the decision to move forward with roundabout construction, or not. The Board also agreed for the Road Department to proceed with resurfacing the intersection when they resurface Antioch Road, possibly this fall, if the weather allows. The rumble strips on Antioch Road will be reduced in intensity.

### c. Veterans Parkway & SR 92 Intersection – update (Phil)

Fayette County's Transportation Engineer of Record, Croy Engineering, prepared and submitted a traffic study to GDOT District 3, recommending a traffic signal at the intersection. District 3, along with the Atlanta office, are reviewing and doing a conceptual evaluation to see if a roundabout will fit at the location and provide an adequate level of service. Any intersection improvement would likely require local funding and participation. A suggestion was made that money from the Antioch / Goza Intersection project could be reallocated by the BOC if a roundabout is not installed at Antioch / Goza. Staff verified both are 2004 SPLSOT projects (Antioch / Goza also has 2017 SPLOST funding).

### d. East Fayetteville Bypass – update (Carlos)

Documents have been received from the Project Engineer, Mallet, are being reviewed by the County's Engineering Department. Staff has requested an updated schedule as plan delivery, both construction plans and ROW plans, are behind schedule.

### e. DRI #2808 update (Joe)

GRTA filed a Notice of Decision, on November 2, 2018, for the Lower Woolsey Henry 780 DRI (a seven building, 6,330,000 SF warehouse facility, west of Atlanta Speedway Airport). GRTA approved the DRI Plan of Development subject to conditions. One condition is the improvement of the intersection of Hampton Road with SR 92. GRTA is wanting the developer to "construct 200' right-turn lane on

westbound approach (Hampton Road), per coordination and approval with Fayette County and GDOT." Mr. Robison contacted GRTA to see if funds could be used for a project, currently under study, that Fayette County is hoping will relieve congestion through the Town of Woolsey caused by the offset intersection of Hampton Road. GRTA noted that they only set the conditions of development. Henry County permits the project and they will be the ones who need to set actual requirements for construction. Commissioner Ognio requested Mr. Mallon to contact Henry County to see if they will cooperate with Fayette County and our desires for the intersection.

**f. GDOT SR 85 and SR 279 Intersection Project (Joe)**

Mr. Robison provided an update on this GDOT project which is currently in construction. GDOT is reconfiguring the intersection to a Type B median opening. Both left turn lanes on SR 85 are being pushed to the left, decreasing median width and aligning the southbound and northbound turn lanes. A yellow painted island will separate the through lanes from the left turn lanes. The new configuration will have longer left turn lanes and tapers, allowing more vehicles to stack, waiting for the left turn phase of the traffic signal. No estimated date of completion was given, but lane paving has commenced.

**6. Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment

**7. Unfinished Business**

None

**8. New Business**

**a. SR 74 Study On-Line for Comment (Phil)**

Study presentations have been provided to elected officials of Fairburn, Tyrone, Peachtree City and Fayette County. The draft study is posted on-line for public review and comment, along with instructions on how comments can be submitted. Only a few comments have been received thus far.

**b. ARC-funded corridor studies – overview and discussion on public engagement strategy (Phil)**

Mr. Mallon updated the Committee that the ARC-funded Corridor Studies (which include the following roads: Sandy Creek, Tyrone/Palmetto, Banks and SR 279) have started. He asked the Committee for ideas on public engagement strategies. The Committee suggested: less formal meetings (they noted activities like the Night Market were successful for the Transportation Plan update), invites to property owners and businesses, use one meeting for difference roads when possible, and involve the TC as part of the public engagement process. There was agreement on development of stakeholder committees, as well as, need for balancing County-wide concerns with desires of property owners along the Road. Mrs. Tapp noted that considering several of the roads in one group may help balance the discussion. The Committee also suggested the use of a centrally-located venue for meetings.

**c. Goza & Bernhard Road Realignment (Phil)**

Mr. Mallon reviewed the need and purpose for the proposed realignment of Bernhard Road with Goza. The Committee looked at the potential impacts to properties and road realignment along with the

possibility of making Goza and SR 85 a right-in/right-out only intersection. The purpose of the project is to direct more vehicles to the existing traffic signal at Bernhard and SR 85. Secondary projects to the realignment could include improvements to Bernhard Road, and intersection modifications at Goza and SR 85. County staff is developing a Task Order with Croy for this 2004 SPLOST project.

**d. CTP Project Recommendations list (Phil)**

Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) presentations were made to Brooks on 10/15, Fayetteville on 10/18 and Peachtree City on 11/1. The County BOC presentation is scheduled for 11/8 and Woolsey and Tyrone on 11/15. Mr. Hindman noted that he plans to meet individually with Fayetteville City Council members for further discussion of the plan. Mr. Mallon said the Consultant is still preparing cost estimates and scoring each project.

**9. Adjournment**

Chairman Ognio asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Robinson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Mrs. Tapp seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:06pm