

# MINUTES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022, 12:00 – 1:30 PM, SEED CENTER, 4310 RYAN ST, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR,  
DAVID CONNER BOARDROOM, LAKE CHARLES, LA

## TPC MEMBERS PRESENT (QUORUM)

Nic Hunter (Chair) (City of Lake Charles)  
Mayor Mike Danahay (Vice Chair) (City of Sulphur)  
Wes Crain (Calcasieu Parish Police Jury)  
Mayor Dan Raca (City of Westlake)  
Don Duberville (LaDOTD District 7) (Proxy was Seth Woods)  
Carlos McCloud (FHWA) (Non-Voting Member)

## LCMPO STAFF

Michael Hollier (Executive/MPO Director)	Justin Habetz
Jamie Gaines	Taylor Lowe
Steve Jiles	Tucker Deshotel
Michael Bernard	
Walter Council	

## GUESTS

Tina Athalone (LaDOTD)  
Kelli Van Norman (City of Lake Charles)  
Stacy Dowden (CoLC)  
Angela Murrell (LaDOTD)  
Al Hoover (City of Lake Charles)

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## 1. OPEN MEETING

### A. Call to Order

Mayor Nic Hunter, Chair, called the meeting to order.

### B. Roll Call

Mike Hollier called roll:  
Mayor Nic Hunter (City of Lake Charles) (Chair)  
Mayor Mike Danahay (City of Sulphur) (Vice Chair)  
Wes Crain (Calcasieu Parish)  
Mayor Daniel Raca (City of Westlake)  
Don Duberville (LaDOTD District 7) (Proxy was Seth Woods)

He stated there was a quorum for Transportation Policy Committee.

**C. Minutes (5/17/22), (7/8/21), (6/10/21), (5/12/21), (4/26/21), (1/27/21)**

Mr. Wes Crain motioned to adopt minutes from the following TPC meetings, except to defer 5/12/21 minutes until next TPC meeting, seconded by Mayor Mike Danahay. Mayor Nic Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

**D. Addendums Item for Agenda**

Mr. Walter Council request the following agenda items be amended.

- 1) New Business: Agenda Item D – Edits to verbiage
- 2) New Business: Agenda Item E – Replacement of Planning, Training, and Research with Calcasieu Parish Overlays Phase 1A

Mr. Crain motioned, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously

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**2. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Status – Walter Council**

- 1) H.013870 Enterprise Boulevard Overlay Reconstruction in City of Lake Charles
  - Mr. Walter Council shared that Administrative Modification 30 was completed for this project, after increasing the cost and securing additional funds from City of Lake Charles
- 2) H.014370 Post Oak Road in City of Sulphur
  - Mr. Council shared that Administrative Modification 31 was completed for this project, after increasing the cost and securing additional funds from City of Sulphur

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**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution 2022-16 Amending Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) FY 2019-22 Amendment 33 (Aggregate Record Item No. 65)**

Staff requested action to add utility phase of H.005967 Nelson Rd EXT & BRIDGE, after TAC recommendation (7/27/22). The project's total utility phase estimated cost is \$6.995M (80% Fed Share of \$5.596M; 20% LaDOTD Local Match of \$1.399M) in FY 22. Public Review/Hearing process began 6/30/22.

Mr. Crain motioned, to recommend to TPC, adoption of H.005967 Nelson Rd EXT & BRIDGE in FY 22 of the TIP FY 2019 -22, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

**B. Resolution 2022-17 Amending Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) FY 2019-22 Amendment 34 (Aggregate Record Item No. 66)**

Staff requesting action to add Lake Charles Transit's various capital and operations projects for overall total cost of \$3.008M using 5307 grant (62% Fed Share of \$1.888M; 37% City of Lake

Charles Local Match of \$1.120M) in FY 22, after TAC recommendation (6/28/22). Public Review/Hearing process begins 6/30/22.

Mayor Danahay motioned to recommend to TPC, adoption of Lake Charles Transit capital and operations projects in FY 22 of TIP FY 2019 -22, seconded by Mr. Crain. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

**C. Resolution 2022-18 Amending Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) FY 2019-22 Amendment 35 (Aggregate Record Item No. 69)**

Staff requested action to move construction phase of H.014960 Calcasieu Parish Overlays Phase 1A from TIP FY 2019 – 22 to TIP FY 2023 – 26 in FY 23, after TAC recommendation (7/27/22). Public Review/Hearing process begins 8/2/22.

Mayor Danahay motioned, to recommend to TPC, adoption of H.014960 Calcasieu Parish Overlays Phase 1A from TIP FY 2019 – 22 to TIP FY 2023 – 26, seconded by Mr. Crain. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

**D. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FY 2019 - 22**

Mr. Council shared administrative modifications updates on the following projects.

- 1) Highway Element Section Administrative Modification 30 (Aggregate Record Item No. 67). Increased Construction Phase Cost of H.013870 ENTERPRISE OVERLAY: 12TH ST TO BROAD ST. in FY 22.  
From Original Total Cost of \$6.7M In FY 22
  - \$6.4185M w/ 10% contingency using STP<200K
  - \$281.5K from City of Lake Charles using 100% local funded overageTo New Total Cost of \$7.48M in FY 22:
  - \$6.38M w/ 10% contingency using STP<200K
  - \$1.1M w/ 10% contingency using STPFLEX-E
  
- 2) Highway Element Section Administrative Modification 31 (Aggregate Record Item No. 68). Increased construction phase cost of H.014370 POST OAK ROAD: BURTON TO AUBRIANNA  
From Original Total Cost of \$2.5685M in FY 22:
  - \$2.5685M w/ contingency using STP<200KTo New Total Cost of \$2.9084M in FY 22:
  - \$1.1M w/ 10% contingency using STP<200K
  - \$1.8084M using STPFLEX-E

**E. Call for Projects TIP 2023 – 26 – Mike Hollier**

Mr. Hollier requested final recommendation action on several pre-programmed commitments and other potential projects, including the source of funding at total cost of \$7.84M (\$6.27M Fed Share) using STP<200K (renamed STP50-200K starting FY 23) funds, for draft version of TIP FY 2023 – 26, after TAC recommendation (7/27/22).

- Mayor Danahay motioned, to recommend to TPC, adoption to program the following the projects into TIP FY 2023 – 26:
  - Motorist Assistance Program (M.A.P.) in FY 23 - 26
  - Calcasieu Parish Overlays Phase 1A in FY 23 and FY 24
  - Long Range Transportation Plan (L.000038) in FY 23
  - IMCAL MPO Planning Services in FY 23
  - Chenault Area Traffic Study (CATS) in FY 23

seconded by Mr. Crain. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

Total Pre-Programmed Commitments and Other Potential Projects Using STP50-200K Federal Funds:

- \$12M (\$3M per fiscal year) in federal funds is allocated in TIP FY 2023 - 26.
  - \$6.27M has been recommended for federal allocation, the 5 projects indicated below.
  - \$5.73M is unallocated.
    - The Call for Projects scoring process/final recommendations would utilize this unallocated amount.
1. Motorist Assistance Program (M.A.P.) (L.000062)
    - Annually for \$412.5K using STP50-200K funds: \$1.65M (\$1.320M Fed Share; \$330K Local Match).
  2. Calcasieu Parish Overlays Phase 1A
    - Project would use STP50-200K funds: \$4.023 (\$3.218M Fed Share; \$804K Local Match).
    - Total cost splits between FY 23 (40% of total) and FY 24 (60% of total).
    - The FY 24 version would require a new project number.
  3. Long Range Transportation Plan (L.000038)
    - Total cost of \$500K in FY 23, using two funding sources.
    - \$500K in FY 23: \$250K (80%/20%) using STP50-200K; \$250K (100%) from LaDOTD.
  4. IMCAL MPO Planning Services
    - MPO major project supplement using STP50-200K funds: \$1.4M (\$1.12M Fed Share; \$280K Local Match) using STP<200K.
  5. Chenault Area Traffic Study (CATS)
    - Multi-project traffic study for consideration using STP50-200K funds: \$350K (\$280K Fed Share; \$70K Local Match).

Information Only: City of Westlake has requested a delay on H.007122 Myrtle Springs Rd as a project in TIP FY 2023 – 26, with project moving to FY 27.

**F. Transportation Management Center (TMC) – Mike Hollier**

Mr. Hollier requested action after TAC supportive recommendation (6/28/22) to consider a Traffic Management Center (TMC) for the MPO Study Area.

- Mr. Crain asked about previous efforts on TMC
- Mr. Woods and Mr. Jiles explained there was a TMC proposal for an old bank building, in downtown Lake Charles, but project was unable to move forward, with exact reason unknown.
- Mr. Hollier expressed staff was not looking for commitment, just support to further sketch out the concept.
- Mr. Crain motioned, to support further implementation of the TMC, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

**G. MPO 2045 Long Range Metropolitan Transportation Plan Roadway Evaluation (East Sulphur)**

Mr. Steve Jiles requested TPC action, with TAC recommendation (6/28/22; 7/27/22) to amend the 2045 MTP roadway projects in East Sulphur.

- Mayor Danahay motioned, to amend 2045 MTP with TAC recommendation, seconded by Mr. Crain. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.
1. C-82 US 90 (Napoleon St): Post Oak Rd to I-10
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$44.8M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Retain project plan improvement
      - Add Bikeway for \$1.3M
      - Add Roundabouts: US 90 @ N. Hazel St; US 90 @ Center Ave; US 90 @ Prater Rd (no costs available)
  2. C-05 E. Burton St Study Area
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$17.8M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Retain project in 2045 MTP
      - Reduce to 3 lanes
      - Add Roundabout: 1. Burton St @ Lewis St; 2. Burton St @ N. Post Oak Rd (no cost available)
  3. M-14 Prater Rd: Maplewood Dr to Stephanie Dr
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Maintenance/Rehab and reconstruction (patch, cold plane, and overlay) for \$1.95M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Add 3 lanes for \$2.95M
      - Add Bikeways for \$590K
      - Add Roundabout: Prater Rd at Maplewood Dr (no cost available)



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4. N-23 Prater Rd Ext: LA 108 (Cities Service Hwy) to I-10 Services Rd
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New location/New 2 lane roadway, bridge, and reconstruction for \$51.8M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP
  
5. C-39 LA 108 (Cities Services Hwy): From I-10 to South 1.5 Miles
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan improvement
    - Increase cost to \$2M
  
6. C-51 LA 27 (S. Beglis Pkwy): I-10 to LA 108
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New location/New 4-lane roadway for \$18M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan improvement
    - Move to Stage II
  
7. C-101 LA 1256 Hackberry Hwy at Carlyss Dr Intersection
  - a. Existing: Capacity/Intersection improvement for \$4M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan improvement
    - Support the implementation of Calcasieu Parish Transportation Initiative project
    - Add Roundabout: LA 1256 Hackberry Hwy at Carlyss Dr (no cost available)
  
8. N-71 LA 108 Parallel Connector: LA 27 to Bayou D'Inde Rd
  - a. Existing: New location/New 2 lane local roadway for \$10.3M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP
  
9. N-54 McNair St Ext: Dead End to Wright Rd
  - a. Existing: New location/New 2 lane local roadway \$1.5M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP

#### H. MPO 2045 Long Range Metropolitan Transportation Plan Roadway Evaluation (North and Central Lake Charles)

Mr. Steve Jiles requested TPC action, with TAC recommendation (6/28/22) to amend the 2045 MTP roadway projects in North and Central Lake Charles.

- Mr. Crain motioned, to amend 2045 MTP with TAC recommendation, except to defer #1 C-77 Sallier St and #6 C-71 Opelousas St to the next TPC meeting, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.
1. C-77 Sallier St: Marine St to Lake St
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$12.84M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Remove from 2045 MTP
  2. C-78 Sallier St at Ryan St Intersection
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Intersection improvements for \$2.0M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Retain project plan improvement
      - Add Bikeway for \$14K
  3. M-01 12<sup>th</sup> St: LA 385 to 1<sup>st</sup> Ave
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Maintenance/Rehabilitation, reconstruction and overlay for \$3M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Retain project plan improvement
      - Add Bikeway for \$345K
  4. C-67 Moeling St: Enterprise Blvd to US 171
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 3 lanes for \$15M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Retain project plan improvement
      - Add Bikeway for \$205K
  5. C-29 I-10 UPRR Overpass (Lake Charles)
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen 4 lanes to 6 lanes for \$50M
    - b. Final Recommendation:  
Retain project plan improvement
      - Recommend project name change
  6. C-71 Opelousas St: Enterprise Blvd to US 171 (MLK Hwy)
    - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$7.1M
    - b. Final Recommendation:
      - Remove from 2045 MTP

7. C-17 Fitzenreiter Rd: Goos Blvd to US 171
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$6M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Reduce project plan from 4 lanes to 3 lanes
    - Increase cost to \$8M
    - Move to Stage I
    - Add Bikeway for \$365K
  
8. N-06 Enterprise Blvd: Moeling St to Fitzenreiter Rd
  - a. Existing: New location/New 4-lane roadway for \$15.7M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Increase project cost estimate to \$30M



**I. MPO 2045 Long Range Metropolitan Transportation Plan Roadway Evaluation (South Central Lake Charles)**

Mr. Steve Jiles requested TPC action, with TAC recommendation (7/27/22) to amend the 2045 MTP roadway projects in South Central Lake Charles. Mr. Crain motioned, to amend 2045 MTP with TAC recommendation, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

1. C-73 Sale Rd: W. Prien Lake Rd to Lake St
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 5 lanes for \$7.65M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP
2. C-74 Sale Rd: Lake St to Ryan St
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$4.15M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain in 2045 MTP
    - Widen to 3 lanes
3. C-76 Sale Rd/Ryan St Intersection
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Intersection improvements for \$1.25M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP
4. C-10 Common St: Sale Rd to Prien Lake Rd
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 5 lanes for \$5.15M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove from 2045 MTP
5. C-65 Louisiana Ave: McNeese St to Enterprise Blvd
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Center turn lane for \$2.3M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
    - Increase cost to \$15M
6. C-86 W. McNeese St/Nelson Rd Intersection
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Intersection improvements (dedicated turn lanes on McNeese St.) for \$3M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP

**J. MPO 2045 Long Range Metropolitan Transportation Plan Roadway Evaluation (Moss Bluff)**

Mr. Steve Jiles requested TPC action, with TAC recommendation (7/27/22) to amend the 2045 MTP roadway projects in Moss Bluff. Mr. Crain motioned, to amend 2045 MTP with TAC recommendation, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

1. C-69 N. Perkins Ferry Rd: Sam Houston Jones Pkwy to US 171
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$34.65M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
    - Obtain an engineering consultant to identify the appropriate scope of this project.
    - Calcasieu Parish has identified this location as high priority and wants to be very involved in any additional study here.
  
2. C-34 Joe Miller Rd: N. Perkins Ferry Rd to US 171
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$9.75M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Reduce to 3 lanes
    - Add bike lane
    - Add roundabout at Joe Miller Rd and North Perkins Ferry Rd
    - Increase cost to \$10M
  
3. N-08 Gateway Dr Ext
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New Location/New 2 lane roadway for \$4.36M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove project from 2045 MTP
  
4. N-10 Gillis Cutoff Rd Ext
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New location/New 2 lane roadway for \$5.04M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
  
5. N-26 Tomahawk Dr Ext
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New location/New 2 lane roadway for \$4.64M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove project from 2045 MTP
  
6. N-86 Paul Bellon Rd Ext
  - a. Existing Project Plan: New location/New 2 lane roadway for \$22.9M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Remove project from 2045 MTP

**K. MPO 2045 Long Range Metropolitan Transportation Plan Roadway Evaluation (Westlake)**

Mr. Steve Jiles requested TPC action, with TAC recommendation (7/27/22) to amend the 2045 MTP roadway projects in Westlake. Mayor Raca motioned, to amend 2045 MTP with TAC recommendation, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

1. C-06 Burton St/Old Spanish Trail: LA 108 (Cities Service Hwy) to Miller Ave
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$23M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain C-06 project plan in 2045MTP, except removing the segment east of Trousdale Rd
2. C-30 I-10 Bridge: Calcasieu River
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widening of new bridge for \$1.3B
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project in 2045 MTP
    - Move to Stage II
    - Widen I-210 to 6 lanes prior to the building of H.003931 Calcasieu River Bridge, to mitigate congestion during the I-10 bridge's construction phase.
3. C-54 LA 378 Corridor (Phillips Rd/ Davis Rd): Westwood Rd to West Fork Bridge
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 5 lanes for \$11.65M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
    - Conduct traffic study in consideration of a roundabout at the intersection of Davis Rd and Phillips Rd
    - Increase cost to \$15M North of project segment, move and reconstruct the Calcasieu River West Fork Bridge 0.40 miles eastward, along with the widening of the short two-lane segment of LA 378 between the bridge and the LA 378 Spur.
4. C-55 LA 378 Corridor (Westwood Rd): John Stine to Phillips Rd
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$12.34M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
    - Add bike lane
    - Add roundabouts at the following: Westwood Rd @ Phillips Rd; Westwood Rd @ National Dr/Hudson Dr; Westwood Rd @ John Stine Rd
    - Increase cost to \$20M
    - Coordinate among multiple stakeholders: City of Westlake, Calcasieu Parish (CPTI), LaDOTD (H.009488.1 LA 378 Feasibility Study), and others

5. C-99 John Stine Rd: Houston River Rd to Myrtle Springs Rd
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widening for \$6.1M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
  
6. C-26 Houston River Rd: Anthony Ferry Rd t Guillory St
  - a. Existing Project Plan: Capacity/Widen to 4 lanes for \$20.4M
  - b. Final Recommendation:
    - Retain project plan in 2045 MTP
    - Add bike lane
    - Increase cost to \$40M
    - Move to Stage III



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7. INFORMATION

**A. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 2022-23 – Mike Hollier**

Mr. Hollier updated the committee on the UPWP FY 23's new funding allocation:

- New Regional Mobility Manager at \$100,000 (\$80K Fed Share; \$20K Local Match).

**B. I-14 Spur Status Report (Fort Polk/Chennault/Port of Lake Charles/Cameron Port)**

Mr. Jiles explained a conceptual alignment for an I-14 spur, inside of the MPO boundary. Starting north, after overlapping U.S. 171, at northern terminus near Gillis, the route would proceed south past Calcasieu River, then west of LA 397, then southeast of Boone's corner, then further south towards Cameron Parish. A minimal impact of houses would be anticipated.

**C. Southwest Louisiana Transportation Safety Initiative – Mike Hollier**

Mr. Hollier expressed after informing that Calcasieu Parish had 59 auto related fatalities, with 9 of those being pedestrians. There will be more staff engagement with law enforcement and other agencies.

**D. LCMPO Website**

Ms. Jamie Gaines shared updates to the LCMPO website which can be linked at [imcal.la](http://imcal.la), which included ability for public input, along with added minutes/agendas going back to 2016.

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8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Crain motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Danahay. Mayor Hunter requested a vote on the motion which passed unanimously.

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Mayor Nic Hunter  
Chair

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*Michael Hollier*  
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Executive/MPO Director