

Minutes of Meeting
SATS POLICY COMMITTEE
August 9, 2012

ATTENDANCE

Policy Committee Voting Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chair Tom Gray	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vice-Chair Frank Squires	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian McFadden	Sangamon County
<input type="checkbox"/>	Willis Logan	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric Hansen*	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Roger Driskell**	Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6

* Represented by Norm Sims

** Represented by Sal Madonia

Policy Committee Non-Voting Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Caldwell	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office
<input type="checkbox"/>		Federal Transit Administration

Others

Kim Cummins

Neha Soni – Regional Planning Commission

Daniel Begert – Regional Planning Commission

Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission

I. CALL TO ORDER

Tom Gray called the meeting of the SATS Policy Committee to order at 12:05 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gray asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 12, 2012 SATS Policy Committee meeting. Norm Sims made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Sal Madonia seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

Gray asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the July 30, 2012 SATS Policy Committee special meeting. Sal Madonia made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote to approve was unanimous.

III. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Wheeland stated that the Technical Committee is currently working on the 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program, with the hope of having it completed in time for the September SATS meetings. At that time the TIP would go out for public review.

IV. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Wheeland reported that the six month progress report, which is currently underway, should be completed in time for the September SATS meeting.

V. 2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGES

As required by the FHWA, Wheeland stated that SSCRPC transportation planning staff will begin preparing a list of federally obligated projects based on last year's projects and last year's TIP. Preparation of the list is required by the end of September.

VI. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

A. Illinois Dept. of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning

Tom Caldwell noted that Karen Shoup will begin her role as the Urban Program Planning Bureau Chief on August 15, 2012.

B. Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office

No report was given.

VII. AGENCY UPDATES

A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission

Wheeland announced that an Illinois High Speed Rail meeting would be taking place on Thursday, August 16 at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel. Wheeland also reported that SSCRPC Transportation Planning staff is working with LSA Associates to update the travel demand model and incorporate the various scenarios, street closings and at-grade crossings that may result from the implementation of high speed rail in Springfield.

B. Springfield Mass Transit District

Frank Squires reported that special bus service to the State Fair would begin in the evening in August 9, 2012.

C. City of Springfield

No report was given.

D. Sangamon County

No report was given.

E. Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6

Madonia stated that construction will slow during the State Fair, but noted that many projects are ongoing in the area of Springfield. In addition to various smaller striping projects, Madonia reported construction underway in the following areas:

- Clear Lake Avenue and Dirksen Parkway – reconstruction of the center median continues, with paving planned for September.
- I-72 structure over the Sangamon River – traffic has been switched at the crossover and work is beginning at the eastbound bridge.
- In Chatham at Palm Road and Chatham Road – traffic signals have been installed and activated.
- Sangamon Avenue at Colt Road – foundation poured for traffic signal installation, with electrical work to follow.

- 5th St and 6th St railroad structures – painting of structures will begin after the State Fair.
- Hotel at Peoria Rd and Ridgely – scheduled for demolition.

F. Village of Chatham

Tom Gray noted that, with regard to the issue of high speed rail, the Village of Chatham is currently attempting to acquire the right-of-way to extend Goldenrod Dr and create an at-grade crossing over the railroad tracks. This location is preferred to the existing crossing at S Main St.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Bicycle and Pedestrian Way Plan

Wheeland stated that the Steering Committee had made changes to the Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan based on public comments received during the 30 day public review period. These changes were sent to SATS members for final review. The Technical Committee made two changes: Tim Zahn requested that the facilities for the segment of Bradfordton Road from Old Jacksonville to Washington St be indicated as a sidepath, and that the segment of Toronto Road from 2nd to Canadian Cross be changed from bike lanes to paved shoulders. The Technical Committee then recommended adoption of the Plan to the Policy Committee.

Norm Sims made a motion to adopt the final draft of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Way Plan. Sal Madonia seconded the motion and the vote to adopt was unanimous.

B. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, September 13, 2012 at 12:00 PM

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Begert
Recording Secretary