

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**SATS POLICY COMMITTEE**  
**April 10, 2014**

**ATTENDANCE****Policy Committee Voting Members**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Frank Squires, Chair	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Willis Logan, Vice Chair	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Gray	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian McFadden	Sangamon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brad Mills*	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Roger Driskell**	Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT): 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): Illinois Div. Office
<input type="checkbox"/>		Federal Transit Administration

**Others**

Tim Zahrn – Sangamon County  
Terry Fountain – IDOT District 6 Local Roads and Streets  
Sue Graham – IDOT District 6 Local Roads and Streets  
Mike Williamsen – Village of Chatham  
Neha Soni – Regional Planning Commission  
Nathan Bottom – City of Springfield  
Ed Dougherty – IDOT Community Liaison  
Elliot McKinley – Springfield Park District  
Dale Schultz – Regional Planning Commission  
Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission  
Gail Weiskopf – Regional Planning Commission

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Frank Squires called the meeting of the SATS Policy Committee to order at 12:01 PM.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Squires asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the March 13, 2014 SATS Policy Committee meeting. Brian Mc Fadden made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Norm Sims seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**III. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

Linda Wheeland announced the Technical Committee is still working on updating the STU project prioritization application and will be meeting immediately after the Policy committee meeting. And that is why some of the Technical Committee members are here.

**IV. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)****A. 2040 Update**

Wheeland noted that the update of the LRTP to 2040, includes a Citizen's survey being conducted through April 30<sup>th</sup>. Policy members were encouraged to get the information out about that, put a link on their web-site; send it out to email lists, employees, etc. Wheeland was hoping to get a notice on the Springfield Cable Channel. Bill Logan said he was working on that. Wheeland said that would great and mentioned other efforts

to reach out to people including having a laptop set up for the survey in the Planning Commission office. Survey results should be available by the next meeting.

**V. FY 2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**A. Amendment 11 – SMTD Paratransit Vehicles**

Squires introduced Amendment 11 – SMTD Paratransit Vehicles

**RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF  
THE ELEVENTH AMENDMENT TO  
THE FY/2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the metropolitan planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2014-2017 on October 17, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY/2014-2017 TIP includes a project for the purchase of a replacement paratransit vehicle in the FY 2014, FY 2015, and FY 2016 Annual Elements as shown below; and

**Current FY 2014 Annual Element Project Description and Funding:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class		Description		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
7	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit Van with Lift	Purchase one (1) replacement-eligible van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	133,025	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2014-03				

**Current FY 2015 Annual Element Project Description and Funding:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class		Description		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
4	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit van with Lift	Purchase one replacement van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	116,397	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2015-03				

**Current FY 2016 Annual Element Project Description and Funding:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class		Description		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
7	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit van with Lift	Purchase one replacement van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	116,397	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2016-03				

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Mass Transit District requests that the FY/2014-2017 TIP be amended to move the FY-2015 project and the FY-2016 project to the FY 2014 Annual Element as part of Project 7 and Paratransit Priority 1 and to change the cost for each as shown below; and

**Project Description, Funding and Priority # as Amended in the FY 2014 Annual Element:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class		Description		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
7 A11	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit Van with Lift	Purchase one (1) replacement-eligible van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	63,000	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2014-03		<b>\$63,000</b>		
	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit van with Lift	Purchase one replacement van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	63,000	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2015-03		<b>\$63,000</b>		
	Paratransit Van	<b>Description:</b>	Medium-duty Paratransit van with Lift	Purchase one replacement van	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 1		FTA 5310	63,000	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2016-03		<b>\$63,000</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>\$189,000</b>

Brian McFadden made a motion to approve Amendment #11. Tom Gray seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**B. Amendment 12 – SMTD Paratransit Vehicles for RMC**

Squires introduced Amendment 12 – SMTD Paratransit Vehicles for RMC

**RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF  
THE TWELFTH AMENDMENT TO THE  
FY/2014-2017 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Transportation, has a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing (3C) planning process for transportation planning in compliance with Federal regulations for the metropolitan planning area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2014-2017 on October 17, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Springfield Mass Transit District requests that the FY/2014-2017 TIP be amended to add two paratransit vans to be used as loaner vehicles for the IDOT Regional Maintenance Center Program operated by SMTD as shown below; and

**Project Description, Funding and Priority # as Amended in the FY 2014 Annual Element:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class		Description		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
8	Paratransit Vans	<b>Description:</b>	2 Medium-duty Paratransit vans with Lift	Purchase two replacement vans for the Regional Maintenance Center	IDOT TDC		
	SMTD	<b>Project#</b>	Paratransit Priority 2		FTA 5310	126,000	
	Paratransit	<b>TIP#</b>	06-2014-07		<b>\$126,000</b>		

Norm Sims made a motion to approve Amendment #12. Brian McFadden seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**C. Modification 3 – I-55 at Stevenson**

Linda Wheeland gave notification of three Modifications 3, 4, and 5, changing the status of federal funding to “Advanced Construction.” For I-55 Interchange Project at Stevenson Drive , I-55 South of Stevenson Drive

Patching Project , and Wabash Avenue Project From Koke Mill to the Moffet Street in Curran.

### I-55 Interchange at Stevenson Drive

Status of this project has changed to “Advanced Construction” and the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to add AC to the federal funding sources as shown below.

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A4 I-55 Interchange	<b>Termini:</b> at Stevenson Drive	Ramp reconstruction		
	<b>Project#</b> 72F90		HSIP (AC)	900,000
	<b>TIP#</b> 04-2014-07		State	100,000
				<b>\$1,000,000</b>

### D. Modification 4 – I-55 Patching

#### I-55 Patching

Status of this project has changed to “Advanced Construction” and the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to add AC to the federal funding sources as shown below.

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Description	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost
A5 I-55	<b>Termini:</b> 0.1 mile south of Stevenson Drive to 0.8 mile north	Patching southbound lane		
	<b>Project#</b> 72F90		NHPP - State (AC)	315,000
	<b>TIP#</b> 04-2014-08		State	35,000
				<b>\$350,000</b>

### E. Modification 5 – Wabash Avenue

#### Wabash Avenue

Status of this project has changed to “Advanced Construction” and the FY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Program has been modified to add AC to the federal funding sources as shown below.

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source	Total Cost
4 Wabash Ave. State Principal Arterial / Minor Arterial	<b>Termini:</b> Moffet St. in Curran to Koke Mill Rd. in Springfield	Construction Expand from 2 lanes to 5 lanes, sidewalks, bike lanes/wide shoulders	32	NHPP-State (AC)	15,453,000
	<b>Contract#</b> 72890			State	3,720,000
	<b>TIP#</b> 04-2011-07			City of Springfield	327,000
					<b>\$19,500,000</b>

## VI. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

- A. **Illinois Dept. of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning**  
No report was given.

**B. Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office**

No report was given.

**VII. AGENCY UPDATES****A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission**

No report was given.

**B. Springfield Mass Transit District (SMTD)**

No report was given.

**C. City of Springfield**

Bill Logan responded to Brian McFadden's question from an earlier meeting concerning the Stanford Avenue Project- there is no firm letting date probably either the end of this year or beginning of 2015. Land acquisition is still underway. The project has been moved from FY14 to FY15

**D. Sangamon County**

No report was given.

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

Sal Madonia announced he has been named the new Designs and Plans Engineer for District 6 and he will also be doing programming until a replacement is named. In addition the Governor released the multi year program yesterday. Construction has picked up; Wabash Avenue curbs and gutter underway and installing traffic signals; I-72 from I-55 to Riverton is underway with work on structures at Camp Butler and Riverton Interchanges; one of the larger projects Dirksen Parkway is moving along, they are in early stages right now, mainly doing some utilities relocation.

Wheeland inquired about the medians on Wabash Avenue being removed or being made narrower.

Madonia responded that some medians are being repaired, and closer to the intersections, the left turn lanes are being reconfigured slightly and with some radius improvement.

Wheeland inquired about any landscaping with the median work.

Madonia was unaware of any landscaping going to be done currently.

**F. Village of Chatham**

Mike Williamsen announced the village is proceeding with a TIF funded project on Walnut Street just west of Route 4. There will be daytime lane closures and traffic congestion worse than we have today, while the project is under construction. The west leg of Walnut Street will be widened for about 2 blocks West of Route 4. The project should last the entire construction season.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business.

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. TIGER Planning Grant**

Frank Squires announced that SMTD is applying for a Tiger Planning Grant to develop a master plan for the area surrounding and including the proposed multi-modal center. They have sent letters asking for support from various entities. Shoun is preparing the application to be ready for filing on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Linda Wheeland stated that the technical committee voted to recommend that the Policy Committee support the Tiger Grant application with a letter to be submitted with the grant application.

Bill Logan made a motion that the SATS Policy Committee support the SMTD Tiger Planning Grant application. Brian McFadden seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**B. Next Meeting Date**

Wheeland stated that because several Technical Committee members were unable to attend the regularly scheduled May meeting, that date had been changed to May 8th. The consensus of the Policy Committee Members was to move the Policy Committee meeting to May 15th.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Squires called to adjourn. Bill Logan made a motion to adjourn. Brian McFadden seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 12:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Weiskopf  
Recording Secretary