

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**SATS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
**November 4, 2010**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Technical Committee Voting Members**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chairman Mike Williamsen	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vice-Chairperson Linda Tisdale	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Sheehan	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Zahn	Sangamon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Norm Sims	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Laura Mlacnik*	Illinois Department of Transportation: Region 4, District 6

\* Represented by Sal Madonia

**Technical Committee Advisors – Non-Voting**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Curtis Jones	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Stead	Illinois Commerce Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Terry Fountain*	IDOT: District 6: Local Roads and Streets
<input type="checkbox"/>		IDOT: Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hanna	Springfield Airport Authority

\* Represented by Kim Cummins

**Others**

Chris Benson – Regional Planning Commission  
David Booher – IE Consultants / Village of Sherman  
Bill Davidson – Hoelscher Engineering  
Stacey James – IDOT District 6 Programming  
Kyle Phillips – Regional Planning Commission  
John Swinford – Village of Sherman  
Kristin Timmons – Crawford, Murphy & Tilly  
Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Mike Williamsen called the meeting of the SATS Technical Committee to order.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 09/02/10 SATS Technical Committee Meeting**

Williamsen asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the October 7, 2010 SATS Technical Committee meeting. Tim Sheehan made a motion to approve the minutes. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**III. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

**A. Complete Streets**

Linda Wheeland stated that examples of policies from other MPOs were emailed to SATS members. Wheeland described the various types of policies that were emailed. Tim Sheehan suggested that SATS adopt a general Complete Streets policy without any goals or specifics until the next LRTP is written and then the policy could be strengthened. Mike Williamsen stated that he was in favor of a policy approach that did not make requirements, but rather a resolution of general support for the concept of Complete Streets. Sal Madonia stated that IDOT would also be in favor of a more generalized statement. Tim Zahn commented that the County is also in favor of a general statement. The Quad Cities area MPO policy was

identified as closely representing the ideas of SATS members. Wheeland stated that the staff would email SATS members the Quad Cities statement for use in drafting a policy.

**IV. 2011-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGES**

**A. Amendment #4**

Tim Sheehan introduced TIP Amendment #4 to the SATS Technical Committee members.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Springfield will utilize city funds to improve the condition of portions of Lawrence Avenue, Cook Street, South Grand Avenue, North Grand Avenue, Robbins Road, and 1<sup>st</sup> Street, arterials or collectors in Springfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the City requests that the FY-2011 Annual Element of the FY/2011-2014 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

**Project Description and Funding:**

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class	Location	Action/Comments	Funding Source	Total Cost	
Lawrence Ave.	<b>Termini:</b> Feldkamp to Monroe & 3rd to 9th	Mill, overlay, partial replacement of curb & gutter	Springfield		
Cook St.					3rd to 9th & College to 3rd
South Grand Ave.					MacArthur to Illini
North Grand Ave.					Walnut to Hedge
Robbins Rd.					Lindbergh to Wabash Trail
1st St.					Madison to Miller
Springfield					<b>Contract#</b> PW 11-08-49
Arterials & Collectors	<b>TIP#</b> 02-2011-03		<b>\$2,573,854</b>		

**WHEREAS**, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP.

Tim Zahrn made a motion to recommend approval of TIP Amendment #4 to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program to the Policy Committee. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

**B. Amendment #5**

Tim Sheehan introduced TIP Amendment #5 to the SATS Technical Committee members.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Springfield will utilize city funds to replace sidewalks along arterial & collector streets, as well as in subdivisions, to improve pedestrian safety & travel; and

**WHEREAS**, the City requests that the FY-2011 Annual Element of the FY/2011-2014 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

**Project Description and Funding:**

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class		Location		Action/Comments	Funding Source		Total Cost
City of Springfield	<b>Termini:</b>	Various Locations		Remove & replace 4" PCC sidewalks	Springfield	689,911	
Springfield	<b>Contract#</b>	PW 11-09-64					
Sidewalks	<b>TIP#</b>	02-2011-04					
							<b>\$689,911</b>

**WHEREAS**, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP.

Tim Zahn made a motion to consolidate the vote on TIP Amendments #4 and #5 to the FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote to consolidate was unanimous. Motion to approve the amendments as consolidated was made by Tim Zahn, seconded by Norm Sims and approved unanimously.

## V. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

### A. Illinois Department of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning

Curtis Jones stated that Governor Quinn recently released the ITEP Program.

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

JD Stevenson reported that FHWA is operating under a continuing resolution until December 3<sup>rd</sup> and SAFETEA-LU was extended until the end of December. After December it is unclear, at this point, what will happen.

### C. Illinois Department of Transportation: Local Roads and Streets

Kim Cummins stated that ITEP funds have been awarded to the following projects within the MPO:

- The Capitol Avenue project received \$2 million.
- The 8<sup>th</sup> Street Beautification Project received \$475,340.
- The Williamsville to Sherman bike trail project received \$269,000.
- The Vachel Lindsay Bridge Renovation and Restoration Project received \$1,128,800.
- The Plummer Boulevard Bike/Pedestrian Trail Project in Chatham received \$359,600.
- The Sangamon Valley Trail Project received \$153,600.

These ITEP awards did not constitute fully funded projects.

### D. Illinois Commerce Commission

No report was given.

### E. Springfield Airport Authority

No report was given.

## VI. AGENCY UPDATES

### A. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission

No report was given.

## **B. Springfield Mass Transit District**

No report was given.

## **C. City of Springfield**

Tim Sheehan stated that the City of Springfield was awarded \$3.6 million in ITEP funds.

Sheehan reported on the status of the following construction projects within the City:

- An overlay project on Lawrence Avenue is underway.
- The sidewalk construction project has started and will run as long as weather permits.
- The Old Jacksonville Road and Veterans Parkway joint IDOT ARRA project has paving complete and signal installation and striping is underway.
- The concrete patching project is about 99% complete.
- The Capitol Avenue project from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Streets is open to traffic with minor work continuing.

## **D. Sangamon County**

Tim Zahn reported that the Sangamon Valley Trail Project will begin asphalt work very soon. ITEP funds will be used in the designing of the next phase of the project.

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

Sal Madonia reported on the status of the following projects:

- I-55 from Clear Lake Avenue to Fancy Creek; bridge joints should be cleared next week and resurfacing will start in the Spring.
- IL-29 and Sangamon Avenue project is complete.
- IL-29 from Springfield to Rochester patching has been completed. Milling, resurfacing and striping will begin in the Spring.
- Business Route I-55, Peoria Road, Dirksen Parkway and Cabin Smoke Trail work is complete except for replacement of grading on the shoulder to make it more bicycle friendly.
- A multiple area project on Peoria Rd from Sangamon Avenue to Northbrook Court; Veterans Pkwy from Peoria Rd to J David Jones Pkwy; and Walnut St from Capitol Airport entrance to Jefferson St is ongoing. The Walnut St portion has been milled and resurfaced. The Peoria Rd portion has also been milled and resurfaced. The Veterans Pkwy portion will be resurfaced in the Spring.
- Polecat Creek Project in Chatham should start on November 8<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.
- The Clear Lake Ave and Dirksen Pkwy project will not start until the Spring.

## **F. Village of Chatham**

Mike Williamsen reported that the Gordon Drive ARRA Project is complete and awaiting final inspection. The Village of Chatham is grateful for the ITEP funding that it has received.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **A. Bicycle/Pedestrian Way Plan**

Wheeland stated that the public engagement workshop was held on October 20<sup>th</sup>, there were 80 people in attendance. Staff is still working through the approximate 300 comments. A draft of guiding principles was sent out to the Steering Committee members for their comment, so far only IDOT, Springfield and Rochester have given feedback.

### **B. Public Participation Plan**

Wheeland reported that the PPP was sent out to SATS members. Wheeland asked if there were any proposed changes. The PPP needs to be prepared by February so it could be ready for public review. Williamsen stated that the PPP shows the minimum level of public participation and that Staff could always exceed that which was stated in the PPP.

### **C. Sherman ARRA Project Update**

John Swinford reported that the intersection at Village Center Rd and Sherman Blvd is complete and awaiting final inspection. As a direct result of this project, Walgreens has agreed to open a location near the work area which will employ approximately 30-35. A large grocery store is also negotiating with the Village to open in the area. This will bring approximately 50 jobs to Sherman. Due to construction on the UP railroad and IDOT roadwork in the area, there will be several detours in Sherman in the near future.

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. IDOT Proposed FY 2012-2017 Multi-Year Highway Program**

Wheeland stated that the Planning Commission had received a letter from Keith Sherman asking for input on the next State MYP. At the Open House a few weeks ago, District 6 displayed a map of projects that are on the current MYP. Staff created a list of projects in the Springfield Metropolitan Planning Area from the IDOT 2011-2016 Multi-Year Program available online. The list indicates which projects are in the SATS 2011-2014 TIP and/or the SATS 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan. Also noted were projects in the TIP or shown as committed in the LRTP that are not in the State MYP.

Williamsen suggested that SATS members go through the list and discuss each project. SATS members agreed to support all projects that had not yet been let, for inclusion in the 2012-2017 MYP. Additionally they proposed including the Woodside Road and Iron Bridge Road projects.

Wheeland suggested that individual MPOs should be given a list and a map showing projects in the MYP that are in their planning area.

Norm Sims made a motion to direct the Staff to form a letter to IDOT incorporating the comments of SATS members. Linda Tisdale seconded the motion and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

### **B. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, December 2, 2010 at 8:30 AM**

## **X. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Phillips  
Recording Secretary