

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**SATS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**  
**February 2, 2012**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Technical Committee Voting Members**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chair Linda Tisdale	Springfield Mass Transit District
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Vice-Chair Tim Sheehan	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Williamsen	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tim Zahrn	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 Terry Fountain

**Technical Committee Advisors – Non-Voting**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thomas Caldwell	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Hanna**	Springfield Airport Authority

\* Represented by John Sestak

\*\* Represented by Roger Blickensderfer

**Others**

Neha Agarwal – Regional Planning Commission  
Jeff Antonacci – Hoelscher Engineering  
David Booher – Village of Sherman  
Brian Cuffle – Village of Spaulding  
Brian Day – Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois  
Bill Davidson – Hoelscher Engineering  
Stan Hansen – Crawford, Murphy & Tilly  
Kevin Kuhn – Quigg Engineering  
Lynn Miller – Springfield Bicycle Club  
Brad Mills – Regional Planning Commission  
Jim Moll – Hanson Engineering  
Brad Mosier – Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois  
Kyle Phillips – Regional Planning Commission  
Dale Schultz – Regional Planning Commission  
Linda Wheeland – Regional Planning Commission

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Linda Tisdale called the meeting of the SATS Technical Committee to order at 8:31AM.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 1/05/12 SATS Technical Committee Meeting**

Tisdale asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the January 5, 2012 SATS Technical Committee meeting. There were none. Tim Zahrn made a motion to approve the minutes. Tim Sheehan seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

### **III. 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

#### **A. Crash Locations Improvement Prioritization**

Linda Wheeland reported that staff's crash data numbers are now in-line with IDOT's numbers. A table showing the crash data was produced indicating intersections with fatalities and incapacitating injuries. Another sheet showing those crashes with a weighted value of sixty or more and date of any improvement was also made. Wheeland stated that three intersections that had improvements seemed to have a positive effect. These intersections include: 6<sup>th</sup> St & Hazel Dell Rd, Dirksen Pkwy & Peoria Rd and Veterans Pkwy and Lindbergh Blvd.

Wheeland stated that this information is to be used to prioritize projects with the safety element of the Project Prioritization Application.

Tisdale asked if reports would be added to the LRTP without action from the Committees. Wheeland answered that the LRTP set up an objective to identify intersections with high rates of crashes and safety issues and that the information would be included in the next LRTP update.

Williamsen asked if this information would be an annual process.

Wheeland stated that this information was derived from the map adopted by SATS members showing 2005-2009 crash data. This would be used as part of the criteria in evaluating the prioritization of projects related to safety. IDOT Division of Traffic Safety releases crash data annually.

Norm Sims stated that this information can also be used to evaluate the effectiveness of safety projects at intersections where improvements have been made.

Terry Fountain suggested that the ADT be added to the year tallies to see if the correlation of traffic volume and safety is a factor. Sheehan asked how often IDOT compiles ADT information. Fountain stated that he was not positive, but would find out. Fountain stated that in the areas with the high crashes, IDOT may look into gathering ADTs more often. Fountain stated that he would consult with Sal Madonia about the availability of ADT data.

Williamsen asked if an intersection ADT would be the sum of the four intersecting road segments. Fountain stated that he believed that there was a formula for determining the intersection ADT.

Wheeland stated that preparation is underway on the two-year LRTP progress report and that a list of projects will be sent out for review and status updates.

### **IV. 2012-2015 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGES**

#### **A. Amendment #9**

Tim Sheehan introduced TIP Amendment #9 to the Technical Committee.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Springfield will utilize city funds to improve the conditions of numerous portions of arterial and collector streets, and some portions of local (subdivision) streets located throughout Springfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the city requests that the FY-2012 Annual Element of the FY/2012-2015 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

**Project Description and Funding:**

Project/Jurisdiction/ Class	Location		Action/ Comments	Map #	Funding Source & Total Cost			
A9	Various streets throughout Springfield	<b>Termini:</b>	Various	Mill and overlay; partial replacement of curb & gutter, sidewalk & ramps	A9	Springfield	5,713,963	
	Springfield	<b>Contract#</b>				PW 12-08-58		
	Arterials, collectors, & local streets	<b>TIP#</b>	02-2012-04					

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

Tim Zahn made a motion to recommend approval of the ninth amendment to the 2012-2015 TIP to the Policy Committee. Mike Williamsen seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

**B. Amendment #10**

Sheehan introduced TIP Amendment #10 to the Technical Committee.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Springfield will utilize city funds to replace sidewalks and install new sidewalks to improve pedestrian safety and travel throughout Springfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the City requests that the FY-2012 Annual Element of the FY/2012-2015 TIP be amended by adding the project listed below; and

**Project Description and Funding:**

Project/ Jurisdiction/ Class	Location		Action/ Comments	Map #	Funding Source and Total Cost			
A10	City of Springfield	<b>Termini:</b>	Various	A10	Remove & Replace/Construct 4 foot PCC Sidewalks	Springfield	972,626	
	Springfield	<b>Contract #</b>				PW 12-11-77		
	Sidewalks	<b>TIP #</b>	02-2012-05					

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

Mike Williamsen made a motion to recommend approval of the tenth amendment to the 2012-2015 TIP to the Policy Committee. Norm Sims seconded the motion and the vote to recommend approval was unanimous.

**C. Decrease in FY 2013 STU Funds**

Wheeland stated that a notification was received from IDOT stating that STU funds for FY2013 will be reduced from the expected \$1,638,620 to \$1,342,045. Wheeland asked if FY2012 funds will also be effected. Fountain stated that there was a new process for which federal funds were to be used statewide and that previous STU fund balances should still be intact. Essentially the reduction of STU funds is a result of a rescission that was reinstated. Fountain distributed information regarding SATS STU funding.

Wheeland asked if the SATS STU fund balance included the MacArthur Blvd project. Fountain stated that the figure indicated \$3.6 million minus the \$1.2 million set aside for the MacArthur Blvd project resulting in the \$2.4 million balance.

Sims asked about the final cost of the MacArthur Blvd project. John Sestak stated that the final authorization of the paving contract was handed in yesterday. Sestak reported that after the authorization is approved total final costs will then be known.

Wheeland asked why there were two projects listed in FY2017. Fountain stated that because of the new system, he was asked to add 'reasonable' projects from the out-years and remove the others from the system since they would not be funded within a five year period. Wheeland stated that SATS members have not voted on the 'Cockrell Ln or Gordon Dr' projects. Fountain stated that these projects can be removed or changed.

Wheeland stated that it is time to start thinking about the 2013-2016 TIP. Within the next month spreadsheets will be sent out for members to list their projects.

**V. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES****A. Illinois Department of Transportation: Central Bureau of Urban Program Planning**

No report was given.

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

No report was given.

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

Fountain stated that an announcement was made on January 24<sup>th</sup> that online submission of ITEP applications would start on February 1<sup>st</sup>. A deadline of May 29<sup>th</sup> has been established for online submission. A June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for supporting material was established and information will be sent out to the District 6 agencies. \$50 million is available.

Wheeland stated that in the past with the old application process, hard copies were sent to the MPO. Wheeland asked if the MPOs would still get copies given the new process. Fountain stated that he would have to get clarification on how the MPOs would get that information.

Fountain also stated that ITEP applications that fall within the MPA would result in the MPO being notified. SRTS applications should also be sent to the MPOs, however, the process to do so is still being worked out.

Fountain stated that an application was received from the City of Springfield for the Major Bridge

program funding. Major Bridge program applications are currently being evaluated and determinations will be made sometime in April.

HRRRP and HSIP applications are due in April with selections being made in July. Fountain stated that the crash data previously discussed would be a good start to develop applications.

**D. Illinois Commerce Commission**

No report was given.

**E. Springfield Airport Authority**

Roger Blickensderfer stated that enplanements in 2011 were up 18% over the previous year.

**VI. AGENCY UPDATES**

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

Sims reminded committee members to follow up on their Open Meetings Act training.

Wheeland stated that the House is about to vote on the “American Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Act” which is a 5-year Transportation Bill of some \$260 billion dollars. The bill would cease transportation enhancement funding and consolidate many other programs. This bill currently grand-fathers in all existing MPOs and increases the population level for new MPOs to 100,000.

**B. Springfield Mass Transit District**

No report was given.

**C. City of Springfield**

Sheehan stated that the work to be done in conjunction with TIP Amendments 9 and 10 will be weather dependent. Work should begin this spring.

**D. Sangamon County**

No report was given.

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

No report was given.

**F. Village of Chatham**

No report was given.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Bicycle/Pedestrian Way Plan**

Wheeland stated that the City has concluded their evaluation of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Way Plan and that those comments will be presented to the Planning Commission soon. As a result, a Steering Committee meeting will be scheduled shortly thereafter.

**B. Sign Retroreflectivity HSIP Grant Application**

Wheeland stated that the opportunity is now here to put together a joint HSIP grant application for new regulatory signs. Wheeland asked if there was confirmation that Chatham would not participate in the joint application. Williamsen stated that to the best of his knowledge, Chatham will not participate.

Fountain stated that there are several options available for submission of a joint application and that those options should be address at a meeting of the participating jurisdictions. A lead agency will need to be identified before an application can be submitted. Planning Commission staff will organize a meeting of interested communities. Fountain agreed to attend the meeting to provide guidance to the communities.

**C. Small Community MPO Representation (Tabled)**

Tisdale asked if any SATS member would like to bring the Small Community MPO Representation discussion off the table. The item remained tabled.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 8:30 AM**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 9:28AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Phillips  
Recording Secretary