

**Minutes of Meeting
SATS POLICY COMMITTEE
April 11, 2019**

ATTENDANCE**Policy Committee Voting Members**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian McFadden, Chair*	Sangamon County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dave Kimsey, Vice Chair	Village of Chatham
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bonnie Drew**	City of Springfield
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Larry Hamlin***	Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jeff South****	Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT): Region 4, District 6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Frank Squires	Springfield Mass Transit District

- * Represented by Brian Davis
 ** Represented by TJ Heavisides
 *** Represented by Molly Berns
 **** Represented by Sal Madonia

Policy Committee Non-Voting Members

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Kelso*	IDOT: Urban Program Planning
<input type="checkbox"/>	JD Stevenson	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): Illinois Div. Office
<input type="checkbox"/>		Federal Transit Administration

- * Represented by Curtis Jones

Others

Ronald Walker – Resident, City of Springfield
 Beth Poani – HDR Engineering
 Jason Sass – Regional Planning Commission
 Brian Sheehan – Regional Planning Commission

I. CALL TO ORDER

Brian Davis called the meeting of the SATS Policy Committee to order at 12:01 PM.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 14, 2018 SATS Policy Committee meeting. Molly Berns made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Sal Madonia seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

III. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT

Shannan Karrick informed attendees that the Technical Committee set a tentative deadline of May 2 for the members to submit projects for the 2020-2023 TIP. Ms. Karrick also announced updates from Progress Report 4.0 of the Long Range Transportation Plan as follows:

- Among 77 road and bridge projects in the TIP, 44 percent were complete
- Among the 53 rail projects, 92 percent were complete
- Among the 44 bike projects, 25 percent were complete
- Among the 40 pedestrian projects, 57 percent were complete
- Among the 35 transit projects, 51 percent were complete or deleted, the latter mostly due to

having been bundled in with SMTD’s Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) project; others had become obsolete

Ms. Karrick, upon request from Sal Madonia, added that some projects do count for multiple of the above project types and were calculated as such.

IV. 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP):

A. Amendment 33: Old Route 36

Sal Madonia introduced Amendment #33 to the LRTP:



**RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE
AMENDMENT THIRTY THREE TO THE
2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

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 urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the SATS Long Range Transportation Plan takes a long-term (25-year) look at transportation needs in the Springfield Metropolitan Planning Area; envisions an efficient, interconnected, multi-modal travel network; and identifies projects to make this vision a reality; and

WHEREAS, the Long Range Transportation Plan is updated every five years and was most recently updated on March 12, 2015 as the SATS 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, all projects with identified funding sources and anticipated to be completed during the period 2015 – 2019 are listed as Committed Projects in the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, The Safety portion of this project will add New HMA Shoulders and update guard rail to current standards. Through the Old Route 36 & Camp Butler interchange area, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Region 4 District 6 is proposing to reduce EB & WB lanes along Old Route 36 to one lane in each direction to help better define the lane assignments and help with merging traffic prior to the Sangamon River Bridge Structure for EB Traffic. The remainder of the project will address resurfacing needs and minor drainage improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Region 4 District 6 requests that the following project be added to the “Committed Projects” list in the SATS 2040 LRTP; and

MAP #	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT	JURISDICTION	COST
78	Old Route 36	OLD 36; 7th St to W of S Camp Butler Rd; Camp Butler Rd; 0.1 Mi W of S Camp Butler Rd to Old 36; 7th St; S of Lincoln St to Old 36 in Riverton	IDOT - District 6	\$ 3,168,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Technical Committee, the Policy Committee has voted to endorse Amendment Thirty second to the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

Endorsed on this 11th day of April, 2019

ATTEST: _____

Brian McFadden, Chair
SATS Policy Committee

Molly Berns made a motion to combine Amendment 4 to the FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program with Amendment 33 to the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan. TJ Heavisides seconded the motion. The motion to combine amendment was unanimous.

Frank Squires made a motion to approve Amendment 33 to the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan to the Policy Committee and Amendment 4 to the FY2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program. Molly Berns seconded the motion. The motion to approve was unanimous.

V. 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

A. Amendment 4: Old Route 36



**RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE
THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE
FY/2019-2022 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 urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Area Transportation Study approved the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY/2019-2022 on October 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The Safety portion of this project will add New HMA Shoulders and update guard rail to current standards. Through the Old Route 36 & Camp Butler interchange area, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Region 4 District 6 is proposing to reduce EB & WB lanes along Old Route 36 to one lane in each direction to help better define the lane assignments and help with merging traffic prior to the Sangamon River Bridge Structure for EB Traffic. The remainder of the project will address resurfacing needs and minor drainage improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Region 4 District 6 requests that the FY 2019 Annual Element of the FY 2019-2022 TIP be amended by adding the project as shown below; and

Project Description and Funding:

Project/Jurisdiction/Class	Location	Action/Comments	Map #	Funding Source	Total Cost
11 Old Route 36	Termini: OLD 36; 7th St to W of S Camp Butler Rd; Camp Butler Rd; 0.1 Mi W of S Camp Butler Rd to Old 36; 7th St; S of Lincoln St to Old 36 in Riverton	Resurfacing, New Shoulders, Guardrail	N/A	STP-U (AC)	1,560,000
				HSIP	1,096,000
State	Contract# 72G87			IDOT	512,000
Minor Arterial	TIP# 04-2019-08				

WHEREAS, the funding used for this project will not affect any other project in the TIP; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of the Technical Committee, the Policy Committee has voted to endorse this Fourth Amendment to the FY/2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program.

Endorsed on this 11th day of April, 2019

ATTEST: _____
 Brian McFadden, Chair
 SATS Policy Committee

The amendment was approved via unanimous vote in a combined approval with Amendment 33 to the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

VI. TECHNICAL ADVISOR UPDATES

A. Illinois Dept. of Transportation: Office of Planning and Programming

Curtis Jones announced that there would be a call for projects for ITEP (Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program) funding soon and that a call for SP&R (State Planning and Research program) funding was already underway. Molly Berns added that proposals for the SP&R funds were due April 30, and that a follow-up report would be given at the next Policy Committee meeting.

Brian Davis added a reminder for members to get Phase I planning done for ITEP projects. Mr. Jones affirmed, adding that applicants lose points if this step is not complete by the time an application is made.

B. Federal Highway Administration: Illinois Division Office

No report was given.

VII. AGENCY UPDATES

A. Sangamon Mass Transit District (SMTD)

No report was given.

B. City of Springfield

TJ Heavisides reported on the following:

5th and 6th Street Underpasses (TIP #02-2019-05)

Announced a June, 2019 letting.

Ash Street Underpass (TIP #02-2018-05)

The project was anticipated to be finished summer, 2019.

Laurel Street Underpass (TIP #02-2018-06)

Construction of this Underpass would immediately begin following completion of its counterpart on Ash Street.

Annual Street and Road Maintenance Program (TIP #02-20XX-02)

Asphalt overlays were announced for the Country Meadows, Sherwood, and Piper Glen subdivisions, as well as Capitol Avenue between 2nd and 5th following some brick repair.

Brick street repairs were announced for Reynolds Street west of 2nd.

Sidewalk repairs and construction were announced for Piper Glen subdivision.

C. Sangamon County

Brian Davis reported that the contractor would be resuming work on the Woodside Road widening project (TIP #03-2011-02) the following week. Most remaining work was just to the west of Route 4, technically on Spaulding Orchard Road. In addition, he announced that the County would be amending the petition for the Iron Bridge Road overpass (TIP #03-2009-05) and the Woodside Road underpass (also TIP #03-2009-05). Davis anticipates a project letting by no later than the end of March 2019.

D. Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission

Shannan Karrick reported on the following:

- At an IDOT MPO meeting, a call for projects was announced for IL Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) and Statewide Planning & Research (SP&R) funding, and the following topics were discussed:
 - Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Performance Measures
 - Transit Asset Management Plans
 - The decision to not include Preliminary Engineering Phase 1 (PE1) in funding applications
- At a meeting of the IL Model Users Group (ILMUG), attended by Ms. Karrick and Jason Sass, the usage of a statewide transportation planning model intended to support the use of regional models was discussed
- The 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) was sent to IDOT ahead of the April 1 draft deadline, with few if any changes likely to be needed, and thus would likely be voted on at the next meeting
- The downtown Parking Survey would begin on the following week, with a deadline of June 30.
- FHWA's Planning Review for the SATS MPO would take place on May 7 in the same room as the Policy Committee meeting. It is done every 4 years, and all interested parties are welcome
- The first public engagement for the upcoming 2045 LRTP would take place on April 27th at the Earth Awareness Fair. Ms. Karrick requested that meeting attendees inform attendees of any additional opportunities for public engagement, and that she would be requesting the same of the Small Communities Committee prior to the meeting of the Regional Leadership Council (RLC).

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

Sal Madonia announced the following projects, all affecting Interstate 55 or Interstate 72:

- Construction work on bridge structures over I-55 at Clear Lake/I-72 and Cook Streets ((**TIP #04-2019-04**))
- Construction of bridge deck overlays at the Sherman interchange and Fancy Creek bridge to its north (**TIP #04-2019-03**)
- A variety of projects in the vicinity of the 6th Street interchange, involving resurfacing and bridgework, would be beginning shortly following an immediately upcoming April letting:
 1. Resurfacing Business 55 north of the interchange to Hazel Dell Road (**TIP #04-2018-02**)
 2. Resurfacing I-72 from the interchange to just east of MacArthur (**TIP #04-2018-03**)
 3. Replacement of bridge decking on I-72 under S 2nd Street (**TIP #04-2018-04**)
 4. New bridge decks and bridge rehab on I-72 over Business 55 (**TIP #04-2018-05**)

F. Village of Chatham

Dave Kimsey announced that N. Park Street would be resurfaced starting in late April or early May.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ronald Walker addressed the Committee with a question regarding the project at the Camp Butler Road/Old Route 36 interchange. Sal Madonia affirmed, and Mr. Walker followed by asking if a stop on the Riverton/Spaulding Urbanized Area route could be placed near there, by Camp Butler Cemetery. Brian Davis stated that he had heard that a Sangamon-Menard Area Regional Transit (SMART) stop was located there, but Mr. Walker countered that it was only available for use by people travel there from rural parts of the county. His concern was based on the fact that he and many other people who lived in the Springfield area and are dependent on transit have relatives and friends buried there.

Concerning both the current and upcoming LRTP, Mr. Walker expressed concerns that a Citizens' Advisory Committee had not been put into place, especially given that this was not done in advance of the recent redesign of SMTD's bus service. He stated that he was now walking more given that the system redesign much more poorly met his needs than previous service design.

Mr. Walker suggested public outreach could take place at the downtown transfer center itself, allowing for the public outreach to come to the people. He especially recommended that some outreach take place on Saturdays, due in part to a 30 minute layover awaiting most northbound passengers transferring from the Transfer Center Express.

He said he based this suggestion on his experience giving public feedback for transit service in the St Louis metropolitan area, where according to him there was lots of helpful things that were exchanged with people on both sides in similar public outreach efforts. He stated that opportunities for public participation of all kinds are necessary, especially those that allow for engagement at little cost to people's time.

In addition, Mr. Walker raised concern over obstructions in City sidewalks, particularly in regards to untrimmed, low lying tree branches in city rights-of-way used by pedestrians. Additional concern was came out of his observation of seeing fewer persons with visible disabilities on-board SMTD buses.

Shannan Karrick responded that using opportunities for getting informal feedback from passengers is a good idea, and stated that work was underway in determining how to make such opportunities a reality.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Next Meeting Date- May 9, 2019

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Brian Davis called for a motion to adjourn. Molly Berns made a motion to adjourn. Frank Squires seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 12:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Sheehan
Recording Secretary