



## TAC MEETING MINUTES

**April 9, 2020**

The New Bern Area Metropolitan Planning Organization held a pandemic-delayed meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 11:00 am. It was held via webinar, a first for the MPO.

### **Members Present:**

Mr. John Kirkland – Chairman, River Bend  
Mr. Jeffrey Odham – Vice-Chairman, New Bern  
Ms. E.T. Mitchell – Commissioner, Craven County  
Mr. Chuck Tyson – Mayor, Trent Woods  
Mr. Bill Marley – Federal Highway Administration (non-voting)  
Mr. Christopher Connolly – NCDOT (non-voting)  
Mr. Len White – NCDOT (non-voting)  
Ms. Diane Hampton – NCDOT (non-voting)  
Mr. BJ Eversole – Down-East RPO (non-voting)

### **Members Absent:**

Mr. Ray Parker – Town Council, Bridgeton  
Mr. Thomas Taft – NC Board of Transportation

### **Guests Present:**

Ms. Taruna Tayal – VHB  
Ms. Candice Andre – VHB

### **Staff Present:**

Ms. Kimberly Maxey  
Ms. Felicia McRee

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Kirkland called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.
2. **Roll Call:** Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.
3. **Ethics Reminder:** Chair Kirkland reminded members of the ethics requirements.
4. **Approval of today's agenda:**

**Motion: Ms. Mitchell made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Odham and passed unanimously.**

### **5. Public Comment:**

No members of the public were present.

43 **6. Election of TAC Chairman and Vice-Chairman:**

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45 **Motion: Ms. Mitchell made a motion to re-elect Mr. Kirkland as Chairman and**  
46 **Mr. Odham as Vice-Chairman. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tyson and passed**  
47 **unanimously.**

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49 **7. Approval of minutes for the October 2019 and January 2020 meetings:**

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51 **Motion: Ms. Mitchel made a motion to approve the October 2019 and January 2020**  
52 **minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tyson and passed**  
53 **unanimously.**

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55 **8. FY 2020 Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): *Kim Maxey***

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57 Ms. Maxey presented the final budget and advised there were no changes made from the  
58 draft UPWP budget that was presented in January.

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60 **Motion: Mr. Tyson made a motion to approve the Final UPWP. The motion was**  
61 **seconded by Ms. Mitchell and passed unanimously.**

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63 **9. Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update: *Candice Andre***

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65 The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the New Bern Area MPOs long range  
66 transportation plan. It is a fiscally constrained document, originally approved in 2016.  
67 This document must be updated at least every five (5) years. NBAMPO staff have  
68 secured the services of the VHB consulting firm to do the first update. VHB was chosen  
69 for their work on the original Indirect and Cumulative Effects (ICE) study, which was a  
70 pilot program utilized with the newly formed NBAMPO, and their first MTP. The ICE  
71 update has four main products that are based off each other: existing conditions, future  
72 growth potential, indirect and cumulative effects, and local best management practices.

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74 The timeline for this update is very condensed and will include multiple presentations to  
75 the TCC and TAC boards, as well as incorporating public input, before a final document  
76 is presented to both boards for approval.

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78 **10. P6.0 Discussion: *Kim Maxey***

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80 Ms. Maxey advised MPO staff is still entering projects into SPOT. MPO staff created a  
81 spreadsheet outlining the chosen projects for each mode of transportation to review:

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83 **Aviation**

- 84 1. A190780 - Runway 4/22 Extension  
85 2. A190781 - Hangar for Mid-Size Corporate Aircraft and Apron  
86 3. A191221 - Runway 4/22 Extension  
87 4. A191361 - Runway 4/22 Land Acquisition  
88 5. A191362 - Runway 04 Approach Light System (MALSR)  
89 6. A171939 - Runway 4/22 Extension  
90 7. A191363 - Runway 4/22 Strengthening  
91 8. A130384 - R/W 32 Corporate/Industrial Area Expansion

- 92 9. A130384 - R/W 32 Corporate/Industrial Area Wetland Mitigation  
93 10. A191364 - Aerospace Corporate Development Site Prep  
94 11. A191365 - Entrance Road Rehabilitation  
95 12. A191366 - Entrance Road Rehabilitation  
96 13. A191367 - Two Hangars for Mid-Size Corporate Aircraft and Apron  
97 14. A191368 - Runway Improvements  
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99 **Funded in P5 but require points to keep:**

100 A171939 - Runway 4/22 Extension  
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102 **Bike/Ped**

- 103 1. B151012 - Canterbury Rd  
104 2. B191490 - MLK Corridor Bundle  
105 3. B191531 - MLK Blvd A  
106 4. B191533 - MLK Blvd B  
107 5. B191535 - MLK Blvd C  
108 6. B191536 - Glenburnie Rd  
109 7. B191538 - Lowes Blvd  
110 8. B191539 - Hotel Dr  
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112 **Highway**

- 113 1. H090081-BA - New Bern Bypass (US 70 to River Rd) (Consider breaking up, as shown below)  
114 H090081-BA (A) - New Bern Bypass (US 70 to NC 55)  
115 H090081-BA (B) - New Bern Bypass (NC 55 to Washington Post Rd)  
116 2. H150847-B - MLK Blvd  
117 3. H171936 - Williams Rd (Scott St to Howell Rd)  
118 4. H171945 - Airport Road/Terminal Drive  
119 5. H183996 - First St Intersection (Trent Blvd/Pollock St/Rhem Ave/First St)  
120 6. H184000 - US 17 (D St to US 17) - Bridgeton  
121 7. H184052 - Trent & MLK Blvd  
122 8. H184053 - MLK Blvd (Entrance to Twin Rivers Mall)  
123 9. H184467 - Airline Dr/Scott St (Williams Rd)  
124 10. H190020 - NC 55 ALT (Race Track Rd)  
125 11. H190022 - US 70 (MLK Blvd)  
126 12. H190023 - MLK (Hotel Dr)  
127 13. H190039 - US 70/Hotel Dr/Mall Entrance (Hotel Dr to Lowes Blvd)  
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129 **Funded in P5 but require points to keep:**

130 H150847-A - MLK Blvd  
131 H170112 - US 70/I-42 (US 70/I-42 at Glenburnie Rd)  
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133 **Rail**

- 134 1. R150845 - NS EC Line (New Bern)  
135 2. R170099 - NS EC Line (Bridgeton)  
136 3. R191360 - NS EC Line Trent River Trestle  
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138 **11. Updates:**  
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- 140 • **Transportation Planning Division Update:** *Christopher Connolly*
  - 141 ○ Mr. Connolly advised the first public involvement meeting for the CTP
  - 142 was held in Havelock March 4, 2020.
- 143 • **CARTS Update:** *Kelly Walker*

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- **Division 2 Update:** *Diane Hampton*
    - Ms. Hampton presented the Construction Report and the Upcoming Project Report.
  - **New Bern Area MPO Update:** *Kim Maxey*
    - Ms. Maxey advised the Kinston bypass route of 1SB has been selected. ROW acquisition is scheduled for 2023 and construction for 2027.
    - The new Secretary of NCDOT, Eric Boyette, began March 1<sup>st</sup>.

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152 **12. Discussion:**

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154 **13. Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.