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Wake Transit Plan

Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC)
Regular Meeting
November 14, 2018 – 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
CAMPO Administrative Offices

*NOTICE: If you are not a voting representative of a TPAC member agency, please use seating along the walls behind the table. If you desire to speak on anything that is not part of the agenda, you may do so during **Item III** on the agenda and **MUST** sign in on the General Public or Agency Speaks Out Sign-In Sheet outside the board room. If you desire to speak on anything on the current agenda, you must be recognized by the TPAC Chair or an official TPAC voting member or alternate.*

I. **Welcome and Introductions** – (Chip Russell, TPAC Chair)

II. **Adjustments to the Agenda** – (Chip Russell, TPAC Chair)

III. **General Public or Agency Speaks Out** – (Chip Russell, TPAC Chair – 5 minutes)

Limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. Speakers must sign in to speak before the start of the meeting.

IV. **Meeting Minutes/Summaries from October 10, 2018 Regular Meeting and October 23, 2018 Special Meeting** (Discussion/Action Item – Adam Howell, CAMPO Staff; 5 minutes) – **Attachment A1 & A2**

Requested Action: Consider approving the Meeting Minutes/Summaries from October 10, 2018 Regular Meeting and October 23, 2018 Special Meeting.

V. **Summer 2018 Public Engagement FAQ's** – (Discussion/Action Item – Andy Willard, GoTriangle Staff; 10 minutes) – **Attachment B**

Summer 2018 Public Engagement, which was focused mostly on the Wake Bus Plan, wrapped up at the end of September 2018. Well over 100 comments were submitted from public meetings and an online survey. This set of FAQ's works to summarize the comments submitted into common themes and then provide appropriate answers.

Requested Action: Consider approving the FAQ's from the Summer 2018 Public Engagement period for publication.

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VI. Designation of Project Sponsor – Commuter Rail Transit – (Discussion/Action Item – Bret Martin, CAMPO Staff; 20 minutes) – Attachment C

The TPAC-commissioned core technical team (CTT) for the fixed guideway corridors major investment study (MIS) is pressing forward with its high-level, regional-scale evaluation of operations and station area alternatives for the commuter rail transit (CRT) component of the study. The CTT is currently in the process of transitioning from an evaluation of national peers, travel demand, and existing conditions along the corridor toward the development of system performance standards/targets, an evaluation framework, and the identification and evaluation of initial CRT operating and station area alternatives. To keep the study of the CRT corridor moving forward to support implementation of a project within the corridor by FY 2027 (the horizon year of the Wake Transit Plan), it is appropriate to begin the process of designating a project sponsor. GoTriangle was invited by the CAMPO Executive Board on October 17th to serve as project sponsor for any CRT projects with independent utility that may be delineated within the MIS study corridor from Garner to western Durham. The GoTriangle Board of Trustees accepted this request on October 24, 2018.

A memo from CAMPO staff providing more information about the CRT project sponsor designation process and a memo from the consultant responsible for completing the MIS that recommends GoTriangle serve as CRT project sponsor are included in **Attachment C**.

Requested Action: Consider recommending approval to the CAMPO Executive Board for GoTriangle to be designated as project sponsor for any CRT projects with independent utility, subject to the guidance of the FTA, that may be delineated within the MIS study corridor from Garner to western Durham.

VII. Public Engagement Policy for Wake Transit Plan Implementation (Discussion/Action Item – Bonnie Parker, CAMPO Staff; 20 minutes) – Attachment D

Investing in high-quality, meaningful, public engagement from the beginning of projects through to their completion will be paramount to the success of public transportation investments in the Wake County Community. The Public Engagement Policy is designed to provide a high-level overview of what the public can expect from public engagement activities associated with the implementation of the Wake Transit Plan, while retaining flexibility in the way individual project teams and agencies carry out their work. The proposed policy for Wake Transit Public Engagement has been reviewed by the Public Engagement Policy Core Technical Team.

Requested Action: Consider recommending the Public Engagement Policy for Wake Transit Plan Implementation for approval to the Wake Transit governing boards.

VIII. Wake Bus Plan: 10-Year Operating & Capital Plan– (Discussion/Action Item – Mary Kate Morookian, GoTriangle Staff, 30 minutes) - Attachment E

The Wake Bus Plan recommends the development and phasing of bus transit service investments between 2019 and 2027. The recommended operating service investments create a service hierarchy that largely reflects a system of four route types: Frequent Transit Routes, Local Routes, Community (Core Regional) Routes, and Express Services. The recommended service investments increase bus service throughout Wake County from \$30 million (roughly 300,000 annual hours of bus service) in 2018 to \$85 million (roughly 900,000 annual hours of service) in 2027. These operational investment recommendations align with the original four big moves that were defined in the Wake Transit Plan.

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Capital investments are coordinated with transit service investments as much as possible so passengers will have safe, comfortable facilities that are accessible on foot and if appropriate, accessible by car. The 10-Year Capital Investment Plan funds nearly \$300 million in capital projects. The largest portion of the funding will be used to purchase buses, develop transit centers and build maintenance facilities.

Requested Action: Consider recommending the Wake Bus Plan 10-Year Operating & Capital Plan for approval to the Wake Transit governing boards.

IX. Wake Bus Plan: Community Funding Market Analyses - (Discussion/Action Item – Bret Martin, CAMPO Staff, 20 minutes) – Attachment F

As communities in Wake County (which includes all towns and RTP outside the urban core of Raleigh and Cary) consider developing new community-centric public transportation services, they need to identify what types of transit markets exist based on an assessment of variables supporting transit propensity. This involves understanding where potential riders live, work and travel and matching these needs with appropriate service modes and capital investments to promote access and mobility. The purpose of the market analyses is to help the communities eligible for the Community Funding Areas Program (CFAP) understand both the need and potential for transit service in and between their communities by examining characteristics that shape the demand for public transportation.

Requested Action: Consider acceptance of the Wake Bus Plan Community Funding Area Market Analyses.

X. Subcommittee Chair Reports – (Information Item – Chip Russell, TPAC Chair – 10 minutes)

- a. Budget and Finance
- b. Planning and Prioritization
- c. Process
- d. Public Engagement and Communications

XI. Other Business – (Information Item – Chip Russell, TPAC Chair - 5 minutes)

- a. New Business
- b. TPAC Member Discussion
- c. Next Steps

XII. Adjourn

Upcoming Items to Note at November Regular TPAC Meeting (12/12/18)*

- Wake Transit Concurrence Framework (Action)
- MIS – CRT System Level Guidelines and Evaluation (Information/Discussion)
- FY18 Annual Report Presentation from Tax District (Information)
- Wake Bus Plan – Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (Information)

**Please be advised this list may or may not include all items for information/discussion/action.*