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Transportation Resource Oversight Committee Meeting (Lake & Porter Counties)

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

8:00 am CST at NIRPC Office, Lake Michigan Room

Agenda

1) **Call to Order by Chairman and Pledge of Allegiance**

2) **Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2019**

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

3) **Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2019**

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

4) **Public Comments**

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be limited to 3 minutes. Commenters must indicate their wish to comment on the sign-in sheet.

5) **2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program**

- a) 1601157 Crown Point; 109th & Delaware – CE funds requested \$215,000 (\$193,500 fed) FY 2020

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- b) 1901948 Crown Point; 113th & Delaware – PE funds (\$250,000; \$200,000 fed) are in FY22. Would like to move to FY 21.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- c) 0900080 Portage; Willowcreek Rd & Central Ave – CO additional funds requested (\$160,000; \$128,000-fed) (CO request is \$28,000 more than limit of \$100K)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- d) 0600754 Portage; Central Ave East – CO additional funds requested ((\$179,000; \$143,200-fed) (CO request is \$43,200 more than limit of \$100K)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- e) 1601159 Valparaiso; Ransom Rd – CO additional funds requested (\$59,700; \$53,730-fed) (CO request is \$53,730 more than limit of \$100K)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- f) 1006787 Merrillville; Mississippi St – CE funds requested \$650,000; (\$520,000-fed) in FY 21

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

- g) 1901949 Merrillville; Sidewalks along Broadway – CE funds requested \$108,125 (\$86,500-fed) in FY 21

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

h) 1902686 Valparaiso; Campbell St & Lincoln Ave Roundabout – Request moving PE funds from FY 24 to FY 20 \$550,000 (\$396,000 fed)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

i) 1802973 Gary; 15th Ave Road Reconstruction – PE funds requested \$225,000 (\$144,000-fed)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

j) 1801738 Gary; Complete Streets elements; US 12/20 & Lake Street – PE funds requested \$250,000 (\$160,000-fed)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

5) New Business

a) Tim Werner PE; Ciorba Group, ACEC; Presentation on Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS)

b) Other Business not discussed earlier

6) Adjournment.

a) The next regularly scheduled TROC Lake/Porter Meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2020 at 9 a.m. in the Lake Michigan Room at the NIRPC office.

Transportation Resource & Oversight Committee
Lake & Porter Counties
6100 Southport Road, Portage
November 26, 2019
Meeting Minutes

In attendance were, Dean Button (Hammond), Steve King (Merrillville), Sandy Kolb (Portage), John Harrison (Portage), Phil Gralik (Hobart), Bob Thompson (Porter County), Jeff Huet (Schererville), George Topoll (Union Township), Adam McAlpine (Valparaiso), and David Wright (Gary/GPTC).

Dennis Cobb, Ron Wiedeman, Tim Hollandsworth (INDOT), Eric Wolverton, Michael Jabo, Jake Dammarell, and Christopher Murphy,

NIRPC staff included Charles Bradsky, Kevin Polette, and Candice Eklund.

Charles Bradsky called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

There were changes noted for the August 27, 2019 minutes. The corrections were a request to correct the spelling of a few members in attendance. The minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting were approved as corrected on a motion by Dean Button and seconded by Jeff Huet.

Public Comments

There were no public comments requested.

2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

- Christopher Murphy requested phasing the Samuelson Road project, DES #1382010, due to the CSX railroad charging 4 million dollars to build a run-a-round. The first construction phase for improvements on Central Avenue from Willowcreek Road to the Willowdale Road intersection is approximately 5 million dollars. There is currently 2 million dollars assigned to construction and are now requesting to reassign the funding for the Samuelson Road reconstruction to the overall Central Avenue project. This would allow the full 5 million dollars for the two construction phases in 2022 and 2023. Mr. Murphy stated the project had a previous score of 72 but when rescored in the 2018/19 NOFA, was scored at 76. On motion by George Topoll and second by Bob Thompson, the committee voted in favor of repurposing three million dollars in 2023 from DES #1382010 to a new DES number to be assigned for phase II construction.
- The movements of DES #1173460, with the Town of Schererville, and DES #1601145, with the City of East Chicago. Schererville is requesting to move 1173430 to beyond 2024, while East Chicago would like to move their project out to 2022 or 2023. Schererville commented that with Local Trax project, moving this project out works better for the phasing flow. East Chicago is waiting for a response from INDOT about putting their trail on INDOT's bridge. These moves have created a funding surplus of over 5 million dollars in 2021. Charles Bradsky has scheduled a special TROC meeting on December 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss how the additional funds will be assigned. Charles stated it is preferred a project (or two) be moved forward rather than expanding the scope. Charles asked the communities wanting to request their project be considered in 2021, to email him at cbradsky@nirpc.org
- Charles congratulated the City of Portage on their letting being awarded \$30,000 under budget for their intersection improvement project at Willowcreek Road and Central Avenue. The additional savings will be added to the Change Orders spending category.
- Charles noted that there are still five LPAs who have not completed and turned in their DES number request forms.

Other New Business

Dean Button informed the committee that John McFadden had passed away. Mr. McFadden recently retired from a career with the Indiana Department of Transportation.

Tim Hollandsworth announced that Matt Deichtley, who had been the Acting Deputy Commissioner for the LaPorte District, is now the Deputy Commissioner.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m. The next regularly scheduled TROC Lake/Porter meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. A special TROC meeting to discuss the additional available funding in 2021 will be held on December 11, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Lake Michigan Room at the NIRPC office.

Transportation Resource & Oversight Committee
Lake & Porter Counties
6100 Southport Road, Portage
December 11, 2019
Meeting Notes

In attendance were Dean Button, (Hammond), Mark O'Dell (Chesterton), Jeff Huet (Schererville) Adam McAlpine (Valparaiso), Bob Thompson (Porter County), Sandy Kolb (Portage), Steve King (Merrillville), A.J. Bytner (Gary), Erin Hull (Burns Harbor), David Wright (GPTC), David Uran (Crown Point), Bob Fulton (Hobart), George Topoll (Union Township), Kevin Breitzke (Porter Co), Tim Hollandsworth (INDOT), Jake Dammarell, Glen Peterson, Denny Cobb, Michael Jabo, Eric Wolverton, and Christopher Murphy

NIRPC staff included Charles Bradsky.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Charles called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

DES #1173430 (Schererville-Kennedy Avenue) and DES #1600146 (East Chicago-Marquette Greenway Trail), need to rescheduled in FY 2021, creating a huge surplus in FY 2021. The meeting began with discussing the different phases of Kennedy Ave corridor. The following clarification is:

- Phase 1 – Des 1173760 CN is now in FY 25+; Junction Ave to US 30
- Phase 2 – Des 1382603 CN is in FY 24; Division St to Junction Ave
- Phase 3 – Des 1902000 CN is in FY 26+; Scherland Dr to Main St
- Phase 4 – Des 1801911 CN is in FY 22-23 Local Trax project

The meeting proceeded with a discussion about all of the projects that had requested movement or extra funds.

A motion was made by Mark O'Dell and seconded by Jeff Huet fix the Scribner's error with Burns Harbor's project – Des 1601147 Marquette Greenway trail and reinstate all of their funding. The motion passed unanimously.

Hammond requested and it was approved that their Chicago Ave project – Des 1500222 be accelerated to FY 21 (from 2023) and their Marquette Trail – Des 1601145 be pushed back to 2023 to help accommodate the move. Hammond agreed to give \$180,000 to Crown Point. 1500222 will now receive \$4,760,400.

Jeff Huet motioned and seconded by Mark O'Dell to give Crown Point's roundabout project at 109th & Iowa – Des 1601158 the remaining funds in FY 21. Approved unanimously. Crown Point will receive \$1,100,160 for this project.

Mark O'Dell motioned and seconded by Dean Button to fund Hobart's roundabout project at 61st and Marcella at 80%. It had been underfunded previously. The motion passed unanimously.

Crown Point asked to move their roundabout project at 113th & US 231 – Des 1901948 back to FY 2023 from 2022.

Adjournment

The group agreed to continue the discussion about balancing FY 23 at the next TROC meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.



Des #	Project type	EPA / Transit operator	Project description	Final score	Fund source	Letting Date	Risk	PE			ROW			CN or Transit			2020				2021				2022				2023				2024 Informational				Total Cost	Notes										
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Operating assistance for new transit service from FHWA summary																\$ 596,000					\$ 264,000					\$ 422,000					\$ 422,000					\$ 422,000												
Operating assistance for new transit service from FTA summary																\$ 37,500										\$ 37,500										\$ 37,500												
Transit vehicles for expansion of service																																																
Transit vehicles for expansion of service from FHWA summary																\$ -																									\$ -							
Transit vehicles for expansion of service from FTA summary																\$ 164,000										\$ 550,000															\$ 134,000							
Transit expansion summary																\$ 797,500										\$ 851,500										\$ 459,500					\$ 593,500		5-year sum \$ 3,161,500					
Planning																																																
1801309	Transportation planning	NRPC	2020 TIP management software	NIA	STBG	NIA																															\$ 45,000	Per July INDOT Report										
Need DES #	Transportation planning	NRPC	2021 TIP management software	NIA	STBG	NIA																															\$ 64,375											
Need DES #	Transportation planning	NRPC	2022 TIP management software	NIA	STBG	NIA																																\$ 66,306										
Need DES #	Transportation planning	NRPC	2023 TIP management software	NIA	STBG	NIA																																\$ 68,295										
Need DES #	Transportation planning	NRPC	2024 TIP management software	NIA	STBG	NIA																																\$ 70,344										
Planning from FHWA summary																\$ 36,000										\$ 53,045										\$ 54,636					\$ 56,275							
Transit vehicles for expansion of service from FTA summary																\$ 405,600										\$ 336,968										\$ 498,757					\$ 360,983					\$ 373,664		
Planning summary																\$ 441,600										\$ 388,468										\$ 551,802					\$ 415,619					\$ 429,939		5-year sum \$ 2,227,428
Environment																																																
1902275	Stormwater management / control / prevention	Hobart	Deep River Stormwater Outfall and BMP	TA	TA	7/15/2019	1	Obligated																														\$ 308,100										
1902685	Stormwater management / control / prevention	Valparaiso	Beauty Creek stormwater improvements including erosion control, wetland preservation, and ecological enhancements	74	TA	11/16/2022	2	Low																															\$ 376,250	Amend 4.3 to add des #								
Need DES #	Stormwater management / control / prevention	Hobart	Stormwater improvements including erosion control, wetland preservation, and ecological enhancements	45	TA	N/A																																		\$ -	Eliminate via amendment per LOM #3							
Environment summary																\$ 246,480										\$ 21,000										\$ 280,000					\$ -					\$ 547,480		

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130210	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Portage	Carmillion Rd. Central Ave to Portage Ave	2019-2021 TTP selected	STBG	7/1/2022	2_Low	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 750,000															\$ 3,750,000				
1600418	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Gary	Road Rehab (SR/AR Standards) at Airport Rd. Phase 1	2019-2021 TTP selected	STBG		1_Obligated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 235,000													\$ 100,000	\$100,000 Per July INDOT Report, \$135,000 per October INDOT Report				
1801500	Interchange Modification	INDOT	Dogbone at I-45 & 109th		STBG	7/1/2020												\$ 1,138,500															\$ 1,138,500	Per agreement between INDOT/CP Amend 20-02				
1901948	Roadway safety	Crown Point	Roundabout at 113th and US 231	86	STBG	12/1/2022	2_Low	\$ 250,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,125,000	\$ 972,500	\$ 152,500					\$ 200,000				\$ 200,000	\$ 972,500			\$ 1,375,000	Pending HSP eligibility determination. City agrees to additional \$40,000 would like \$200K for PE					
1901784	Intersection congestion improvements	Hammond	Michigan Ave and Indianapolis Blvd intersection improvements; includes turn lanes and pedestrian crossings and signal modernization	86	CMAQ	8/10/2022	2_Low	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 345,000	\$ 276,000	\$ 69,000								\$ 276,000				\$ 345,000	CMAQ eligibility determination 10/17/19						
1901902	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Hammond	Kennedy Ave street diet including pedestrian bumpouts	85	STBG		2_Low	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,025,000	\$ 3,220,000	\$ 805,000									\$ 3,220,000			\$ 4,025,000							
1902686	Intersection congestion improvements	Valparaiso	Roundabout at the intersection of Campbell St and Lincoln Ave	81	CMAQ	7/1/2025	2_Low	\$ 375,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,625,000	\$ 14,125,000	\$ 9,500,000							\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000	\$ 400,000		\$ 24,500,000	See below. CN is NHT 2500 Plan, 2025-2030 line band						
1902707	Intersection congestion improvements	Hobart	Roundabout at Marcella and 61 St	83	CMAQ	10/13/2022	2_Low	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,740,500	\$ 2,992,400	\$ 748,100							\$ 2,992,400		\$ 2,992,400		\$ 3,740,500	Failed at only \$1 KMAQ. May fund after March TPC meeting							
1902830	Roadway safety	Gary	Add pedestrian facilities at the intersection of 5th Ave and Rieger St	82	HSP	12/9/2020	4_High	\$ 28,949	\$ 25,961	\$ 2,988	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 380,600	\$ 342,540	\$ 38,060	\$ 25,961	\$ 342,540									\$ 408,446	Pending HSP eligibility determination							
2000023	Roadway safety	Cedar Lake	Add pedestrian facilities at the intersection of 133rd Ave and King Dr	86	HSP	12/9/2020	3_Medium	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 626,903	\$ 564,213	\$ 62,690											\$ 626,903	Pending HSP eligibility determination							
1902700	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Hammond	Roadway reconstruction on Summer St between Columbia Ave and Willis St	86	STBG	11/16/2022	2_Low	\$ 810,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,750,000	\$ 3,300,000	\$ 3,450,000							\$ 3,300,000		\$ 3,300,000		\$ 7,560,000								
1601159	Roadway safety	Valparaiso	Ransom Road Safety Improvements, CR50W to CR 150W		HSP		1_Obligated	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,100	\$ 49,590	\$ 5,510	\$ 49,590	\$ 49,590										\$ 49,590	Per August INDOT Report						
1582420	Signal Pre-emption Devices	Merrillville	Various intersection in 5 communities	AC	HSP	2/5/2019											\$ 49,623	\$ 44,661	\$ 4,962	\$ 44,661	\$ 44,661									\$ 44,661	Per October INDOT Report							
1601161	Regulatory Sign Replacement/ Pavement mark	Kouts	Town-wide	AC	HSP												\$ 9,100	\$ 8,190	\$ 910	\$ 8,190	\$ 8,190									\$ 8,190								
0900075	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Valparaiso	Silvay Rd, Evans Ave to LaPorte Ave	AC	STBG	2/5/2020		\$ 30,000	\$ 24,024	\$ 6,006	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,448,400	\$ 3,558,760	\$ 889,640	\$ 24,024	\$ 24,024									\$ 24,024	Per October INDOT Report							
1601159	Roadway safety	Valparaiso	Ransom Road Safety Improvements, CR50W to CR 150W	AC	HSP			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,698	\$ 53,692	\$ 6,006	\$ 53,692	\$ 53,692									\$ 53,692	Approved but not on an INDOT request							
1401030	Intersection Improvement	Crown Point	125th (Burrell Dr) and SR 55	AC	HSP												\$ 47,194	\$ 42,475	\$ 4,719	\$ 42,475	\$ 42,475									\$ 42,475								
1902686	Intersection congestion improvements	Valparaiso	Roundabout at the intersection of Campbell St and Lincoln Ave	AC	CMAQ	7/1/2024	2_Low	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,750,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,625,000	\$ 14,125,000	\$ 9,500,000	\$ 88,000	\$ 88,000					\$ 300,000		\$ 300,000		\$ 25,375,000	\$440,000 for PE. Move from 2024							
1802973	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Gary	113th Ave. I-45 to MLK Dr., including Michigan St. & Taxes St.	AC	STBG	7/14/2022	3_Medium	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 750,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000				\$ 3,000,000		\$ 3,000,000		\$ 3,750,000	Request for PE								
0900080	Intersection congestion improvements	Portage	Wilowcreek Rd Intersection Improvements at Central Ave.	CO	CMAQ	11/14/2019											\$ 160,000	\$ 128,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000									\$ 100,000	CO to add signal back into contract. previous mayor took out							
Not selected	Pavement rehabilitation, or reconstruction	Gary	Reconstruction of 15th Ave from Cline Ave to Colfax St	86													\$ 5,473,125	\$ 4,183,125	\$ 1,290,000										\$ 5,473,125									

