

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2023**

A special meeting of the WILMAPCO Council was held virtually via Zoom.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. John Sisson, Chair, opened the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Members present:

John Sisson, representing Delaware Transit Corporation
David Edgell, Delaware Governor's Appointee
Michael Kline, representing Cecil County Municipalities
Timothy Lucas, representing City of Wilmington Mayor, Michael S. Purzycki
Heather Murphy, Maryland Governor's Appointee
Stephen O'Connor, representing Cecil County Executive, Danielle Hornberger
Antoni Sekowski, representing New Castle County Executive, Matthew Meyer
Pamela Steinebach, representing DeIDOT Secretary of Transportation, Nicole Majeski
Eric Thompson, Mayor of Elsmere, representing New Castle County Municipalities

Members absent:

Guests, Observers:

Lanie Clymer, DeIDOT
Bradley Damtoft, DeIDOT
Mike Kaszyski, PAC Chair
Breanna Kovach, DeIDOT

Staff members:

Dan Blevins, Principal Planner
Heather Dunigan, Principal Planner
Dave Gula, Principal Planner
Randi Novakoff, Outreach Manager
Bill Swiatek, Principal Planner
Jacob Thompson, Senior Planner
Dawn Voss, Administrative Assistant
Tigist Zegeye, Executive Director

Minutes prepared by Dawn Voss.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

None.

ACTION ITEMS:

4. To Amend the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Increase funding for the I-95 and SR 896 Interchange Improvements project.

Ms. Tigist Zegeye said that DeIDOT has requested that WILMAPCO amend the TIP to include increased funding for the I-95 and SR 896 Interchange Improvements project and defer funding for the US 40 and SR 896 Intersection project.

Ms. Lanie Clymer, Director of Finance for DeIDOT, provided additional details. This request includes two amendments. The first is to increase funding for the I-95 and SR 896 Interchange Improvement project. This project was advertised in October 2022. DeIDOT accepted bids on January 10th. DeIDOT requests that the total construction funding increase from \$222 million to \$279.5 million, to allow DeIDOT to award the project to the apparent low bidder. For the FY 2023-2026 TIP to remain fiscally constrained as required by code, the second amendment would modify the construction schedule for the US 40 and SR 896 Improvements project. The first year of construction for this project would shift from FY 2024 to FY 2027, eliminating the need for construction funding for this project in the FY 2023-2026 TIP. Members of DeIDOT's North Project Development team, Brianna Kovach and Brad Damtoft, were present and available to answer any project-specific questions.

ACTION: On motion by Ms. Pamela Steinebach seconded by Mr. David Edgell the Council amended the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Motion passed. (02-07-23-01)

5. To Amend the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Defer funding for the US 40 & SR 896 Improvements project.

ACTION: On motion by Mr. Stephen O'Connor seconded by Ms. Pamela Steinebach the Council amended the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Motion passed. (02-07-23-02)

ADJOURNMENT:

The Council adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

ATTACHMENTS: (0)