WILMAPCO Council Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: September 10, 2020

Action Item #10: To Approve the Draft WILMAPCO 2020 Public Participation Plan

Description/Summary of Item:

WILMAPCO has updated its Public Participation Plan (PPP). The PPP outlines the agency's public outreach goals and strategies for all its projects, plans, and programs. Federal requirements for this document have been satisfied.

Summary of Action Taken by PAC:

PAC recommended approval of the document, with the exception of one PAC member, who did not feel the public outreach being conducted for the Churchmans study was compliant with the PPP.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC:

TAC recommended approval of the document.

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):

N/A

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:

The WILMAPCO staff recommends approval of the Draft 2020 PPP.

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RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) APPROVAL OF THE 2020 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and is responsible for the performance of the transportation planning process in the Wilmington Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the USDOT Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act legislation requires WILMAPCO to include a proactive public involvement process that provides complete information, timely public notice, full public access to key decisions, and supports early and continuing involvement of the public in developing plans and programs; and

WHEREAS, WILMAPCO, with input from its Public Advisory Committee, has revised its Public Participation Plan to guide WILMAPCO Council and staff in all of their outreach efforts, and;

WHEREAS, the Federal legislation requirement for a public comment period of 45 days has been fulfilled;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby approve the 2020 Public Participation Plan.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson Wilmington Area Planning Council

WILMAPCO Council:

John Sisson, Chair Delaware Transit Corporation Chief Executive Officer

Jennifer Cohan Delaware Dept. of Transportation Secretary

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