

AGENDA

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

of the

CALHOUN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission 3rd Floor Conference Room

10:00 am

January 25, 2017

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Old Business
 - a. Review of CAC minutes from November 16, 2016
 - b. Approval of CAC minutes from November 16, 2016
 - c. CAC Appointments and Welcome of New Members
 - d. TBA
4. New Business
 - a. Open **Public Meeting** to Accept TIP Amendment Comments (Handouts)
 - b. Review FY 16-19 TIP Update (Handout)
 - c. AL 21 Speed Study and Recommended Changes
 - d. Rail Activity and Service (Handout)
 - e. Article – Adapting Communities for an Aging Population (Handout)
 - f. TBA
5. Other Business
 - a. Other Current Transportation Projects
 - b. Anniston Express and ADA Para-Transit Ridership
 - c. Next CAC Meeting
 - d. TBA
6. Solicit TIP Amendment Comments and Close **Public Meeting**
7. Adjourn

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
of the Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Wednesday, November 16, 2016
10:00 a.m.

Those attending:

Richard Stubbs	Calhoun County
Jerry Lewallen	Weaver
Marshall Shaddix	Oxford
Patricia Green	Hobson City
Jack Plunk	EARPDC / MPO
Dr. Mike Kimberly	Anniston
Jamie Etheredge	Jacksonville
Miller Parnell	Anniston
Dennis Reaves	Calhoun County
David Thompson	JSU
Steve Akers	Oxford
Joe Cunningham	Hobson City
Chris Gann	Calhoun County
Ed Kimbrough	Anniston
Adam Hunter	Weaver
Tommy Thompson	Jacksonville
David West	Calhoun County
Bob Jackson	Anniston

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Dennis Reaves, Chairman.

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes of the CAC meeting of September 21, 2016, were approved on a motion by Mr. Jamie Etheredge and seconded by Mr. Richard Stubbs. Motion carried.

Chairman Reaves stated that Anniston, Oxford and Hobson City needed to fill vacant CAC positions, and asked that all members talk with their mayors to help fill the vacant positions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman Reaves called for the Review of FY 16-19 TIP Update. Mr. Plunk gave the members a handout of the list of MPO projects to review. All projects highlighted in green have been authorized to move forward by the ALDoT. The projects in yellow are the projects that have been shifted from one FY to another with the additional 1% added to the allocation, projects highlighted in blue have

had a recent up or down adjustment in allocation, and the projects highlighted in pink are ATRIP or ARRA funded. Mr. Plunk also discussed projects that have started construction or will be let in the next couple of months.

Next, Chairman Reaves called for the Review of Projects Authorized During FY 16. Mr. Plunk gave the members a handout of area projects authorized during FY 16 and briefly reviewed it with them. He stated that each project is broken out by it's sponsoring jurisdiction, and mentioned it has been a good year for MPO projects having eight under construction today.

Chairman Reaves continued by calling for the discussion of the Summary FY 16 AmTrak Ridership. Mr. Plunk explained that on page 5 in the agenda packet is a graph showing the ridership activity for FY 16 for review. He said that this year boardings are down by 42 and de-boardings are down by 172 for the year, with a total of 4,871 for FY 16.

Chairman Reaves continued with New Business by calling for the discussion of FY 16 Bicycle Safety Education Summary. Mr. Plunk explained that on page 6 in the agenda packet is a list of the schools that utilized the program along with expenditures and a graph comparing each fiscal year. He said that this year there were a total of 6 local schools, 9 hours of training and 437 students that completed the class. Even though participation was down by 64 students, \$495 was expended for bicycle safety education.

Next, Chairman Reaves called for discussion of Time/Volume Data on Minor Arterials. Mr. Plunk gave the members a handout to review. He reviewed the traffic volume north bound and south bound at two stations in the urbanized area that are minor arterials, along with the volume by hour for each station. He noted that there are clear peak hour differences based on direction, and the data has the classic shape with high peak hour volumes by direction, in both the morning and afternoon.

Chairman Reaves continued with New Business by calling for the discussion of Adapting Communities for an Aging Population. Mr. Plunk gave the members an article titled "Adapting Communities for an Aging Population" by Deborah Howe, PhD, FAICP to review. Ms. Howe is the President of the Oregon College of Oriental Medicine, and a former professor of planning at the Tyler School of Art and Oregon State University. Mr. Plunk stated that this article provides good ideas on how to prepare your communities for the aging population with plans for transportation, housing, parks and recreation, economic development and neighborhoods. Planning for the aging population involves recognizing the exceptional opportunity to see your community from a different perspective. Solicitation of input about how the environment can be improved should be an ongoing effort because the work will never be completely finished.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chairman Reaves called for discussion of Other Current Transportation Projects. Mr. Plunk briefly reviewed the status report of the current local ALDoT sponsored projects, which were included in the agenda packet on page 7 for review.

Chairman Reaves continued by calling for the report on Anniston Express and ADA Para-Transit Ridership. Mr. Plunk stated that on pages 8-9 in the agenda packet are graphs to review and explained that there was a total of 9,011 riders for October. For the ADA Paratransit Ridership for October; Anniston had 778 one-way trips, Jacksonville had 257 one-way trips, no trips for Weaver, and Oxford had 168 one-way trips. For the Urbanized area 279 one-way trips and 288 one-way trips for the Rural area.

The next CAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the EARPDC 3rd floor Conference Room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

CAC Members - November 2016

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Company or Interest</u>
1	Bob Jackson	237-4033	Anniston	Citizen
2	Ed Kimbrough	820-3455	Anniston	Citizen
3	Joan McKinney	235-3995	Anniston	Citizen
4	Carl Nuemann	403-6561	Anniston	Has Not Attended
5	Miller Parnell	236-0959	Anniston	Appointed June 2016
6	Dr. Mike Kimberly	820-4933	Anniston	CDC
7	Charles Woodward	282-5235	Anniston	Has Not Attended
8	Telesa Stanford Allen	473-4344	Anniston	Resigned 3/15/15
9	Marcus Boykin	453-3358	Anniston	Has Not Attended
10	John Wheeler	237-8279	Anniston	Resigned 11/24/14
11	Phillip Keith	283-3364	Anniston	Citizen
12	Judy Myers	835-5052	Anniston	Resigned 3/15/15
13	Kumira Lemon Mason	499-1399	Anniston	Citizen
14	Nelson Coleman	782-2829	Jacksonville	Citizen
15	David Thompson	782-5455	Jacksonville	JSU
16	Richard Lindblom	435-9582	Jacksonville	New
17	T L Thompson	435-6448	Jacksonville	JPD Chief
18	Lamar Sims	365-5633 or 453-7467	Jacksonville	New
19	Kyle Warmack	435-9483	Jacksonville	Citizen
20	Jamie 'Red' Etheredge	435-0023	Jacksonville	Citizen
21	Andrew Tyson	237-0444	Calhoun County	Has Not Attended
22	Floyd Treadway	435-6139	Calhoun County	Has Not Attended
23	Shirley Miller	241-2825	Calhoun County	Citizen
24	Robert Pyles	831-6683	Calhoun County	Citizen
25	Dennis Reaves, Chairman	835-0714	Calhoun County	Citizen
26	Richard Stubbs, Vice Chair	820-4155	Calhoun County	Citizen
27	Tim Huddleston	282-1566	Calhoun County	New
28	Charles J. Freeman	236-5607	Calhoun County	Citizen
29	Chris Gann	310-9841 or 237-4657	Calhoun County	New
30	Dr. David West	237-1621	Calhoun County	Citizen
31	Steve Akers	282-7816	Oxford	New
32	Bill Watson	236-5966	Oxford	Died August 2014
33	Jack W. Brim	831-5580	Trucking Rep.	BR Williams Trcking
34	Brandon Freeman	231-5900	Oxford	Banker
35	Bobby Spendlove	831-8312	Oxford	Died March 2015
36	Randy Cosper	831-0511	Oxford	Citizen
37	Marshall Shaddix	831-0466 or 591-8225	Oxford	Citizen
38	Lester Bolling	835-1844	Oxford	Has Not Attended
39	Robert Dark	831-4645	Oxford	Has Not Attended
40	Lavoy Jordan	831-4747 or 225-4747	Oxford	New
41	Vacant		Oxford	3 New Positions Based on 2010 Population Increase Have Not Been Filled.
42	Vacant		Oxford	
43	Vacant		Oxford	
44	Frank Thomas	454-4840	Weaver	New
45	Adam Hunter	438-8918	Weaver	New
46	Jerry D. Lewallen	453-5639	Weaver	New
47	Ray Read	235-4510	Anniston Army Depot	Has Not Attended
48	Mike Matthews	235-4148 or 310-0739	Anniston Army Depot	AOD Civilian Ex. Assistant
49	Len Hearron	240-3092	Anniston Army Depot	AOD Liason
50	Patricia Green	831-5068	Hobson City	Citizen
51	Joe L. Cunningham	831-7720	Hobson City	Citizen
52	Rev. Deborah Hunter	835-2571	Hobson City	Has Not Attended
53	Vacant	??	ALDOT Multi-Modal	ALDOT

Bold = Need to be Replaced.

Two Proposed Amendments for FY 16-19 TIP

1. CHANGE IN PROJECT TERMINI

From - #100064885 PE Resurfacing Church Ave. (11th St. to G. Douthit Drive)
2.87 mi - \$1,104,814

To - #100064885 PE Resurfacing Church Ave., (11th St. to **AL 21**) **3.35 mi** -
\$1,104,814

2. ADD NEW PROJECT

#100066466 (PE) Resurfacing I-20 (MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO
179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$250,000

#100066469 (CN) Resurfacing I-20 MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO
179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$10,540,800

ANNISTON

Council hears plan for retail space

BY EDDIE BURKHALTER

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A long-vacant downtown Anniston building could be the site of a new hotel and retail development, Anniston City Council members learned on Monday.

Johnny Arnold, with Baton Rouge, La.-based Tag Investments, told council members at a work session Monday that the estimated \$10 million project could generate between 45 and 60 jobs, dependent upon the number of retail shops drawn into the final plans.

In September the council agree to take ownership of the building at 1200 Noble Street, known as the "Model City Center," from BB&T Bank, which owned the building.

The building, which was constructed in 1954, is dilapidated beyond repair, said city manager Kent Davis, and the city is proposing its demolition to make way for the new hotel.

The council could vote at the next meeting to approve draft of a letter of intent for the developer and on an incentive deal, the details of which weren't finalized Monday.

Arnold estimated that

the hotel would have as many as 100 rooms, though he said construction plans aren't yet finalized.

"We see an opportunity here," Arnold said.

The \$10 million planned project announced Monday follows a separate announcement on Dec. 19 of a planned \$6 million downtown retail development project, to include several national restaurant and retail chains on land between Ninth and 10th streets and Quintard and Wilmer avenues.

Toby Bennington, Anniston's city planner, said the hotel project could jumpstart the city's plan to revitalize downtown.

After discussion of the proposed hotel project, council members turned to the topic of speed limits along Anniston roadways.

The Alabama Department of Transportation's speed study, completed in late-2016, suggests changes to speed limits on Alabama 21, McClellan Boulevard, Quintard Avenue and portions of McClellan Veterans Parkway and U.S. 431.

ALDOT recommends increasing the speed limit from 45 to 50 mph along Alabama 21 near the Baltzell Gate Road, and con-

tinuing that 50 mph speed limit until 25th Street, where the speed would increase from the current 35 mph to 45 mph along Quintard and through to the city limits.

Council Jay Jenkins expressed some concern that increasing the speed from 35 to 45 mph along Quintard may also increase the number of accidents there, but other council members seemed supportive of the change. Councilman David Reddick did not attend Monday's work session.

ALDOT also recommends increasing the speed along McClellan Veterans Parkway from 50 mph to 65 mph up until the top of the parkway's hill, just before its descent to the Henry Road intersection.

Davis recommended that the council wait to discuss any changes to the portion of the parkway beyond the top of that hill until after the city continues a discussion with ALDOT about concerns he's heard from residents over the Henry Road, Parkway intersection.

At a public forum in June, city officials and ALDOT announced that a traffic signal was not war-

ranted at the U.S. 431 and Henry Road intersection. The opening of the final portion of Veterans Memorial Parkway in December 2015 resulted in more traffic there.

Davis also said Monday that a recent deadly accident farther down the parkway is prompting city officials and ALDOT to look further at "physical changes" and speed limit changes along that roadway to mitigate the danger there.

A Dec. 23 wreck claimed the lives of an Alexandria couple as they tried to turn left from Coleman Road onto U.S. 431, south of the Henry road intersection. The truck's driver told investigators that the vehicle's brakes failed, and witnesses said the driver blew his horn and flashed his lights in an attempt to warn other drivers, according to Anniston police.

"That section is something we need to be more informed about," Davis said.

City officials will continue to talk with ALDOT over possible changes to that portion of the parkway, Davis said.

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Police Chief Thompson said previously, official the 100-foot ra at the compl send and rec nals directly to building.

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One Anniston road remains closed

BY EDDIE BURKHALTER

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One Anniston roadway remained closed Monday as local officials awaited for icy conditions to improve.

Anniston police and Emergency Management Agency officials told residents Bains Gap Road would be closed until Tuesday.

City road crews had earlier cleared an icy section of Henry Road between 10th Street and Lakeshore Drive opening that roadway at noon

Shane Denham urged drivers to use caution, however, as icy patches remained throughout the city.

School was delayed by as much as three hours Monday for numerous Calhoun County schools. By Monday afternoon, no schools reported delayed starts for today, however.

Temperatures in the Anniston area were forecast to dip down below freezing once again Monday night, however.

Nathan Owens, a meteorologist with the N...

Calera, said by phone Monday that Anniston would see a low of around 30 degrees overnight Monday into this morning.

He said that today, the Anniston area would con-

tinue to thaw, however, with a high of around 57, followed by a Wednesday high of just below 70 degrees.

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ss all 67 counties. (Some counties
re crimson and , or orange
an others, of course.) Two foot-
mboldened by history and lore.
fans decide which team's history
he best.

skans and Arkansans and Lou-
ans don't really know what this
e. It's not like Arkansas playing
ite. Or LSU meeting Tulane. This
vs. Auburn, again. Revel in it,
if you must. But let's be nice to
JK?

OTHER VOICES

The Decatur Daily
orne illnesses transparency

people in the Shoals contracted
ter a catered event last weekend,
main hospitalized. In Decatur,
nsed.

The Nov. 12 wedding reception
n Colbert County had a connec-
ion to a May 30, 2014, luncheon
for senior citizens in Decatur.
The link: the same caterer
provided food at both events.
Indeed, he served chicken at
both events. Nineteen people
ill after the Decatur event, most
lla and some with E. coli. One

ogists from the Alabama
f Public Health struggled with
Decatur. As they have with the
y salmonella outbreak, the
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as in part a consequence of a
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ely the source of a salmonella

ious questions about the
he state health department
t. It refused to name the caterer.
/ details of its investigation to
ctions suggested a department
ed about protecting an individ-
protecting the public. Its lack
y engendered mistrust.
happened again. Hopefully no
sult from the Shoals outbreak,
tandable that people in both
lbert County are angry.

Get Trump's number from goner
Greg Norman.

The British were stunned when
Trump talked with the Irish prime
minister before he spoke to any of the
other European leaders. It's not clear
that he wanted to show favoritism. The
Irish-first decision was allegedly at the
request of Rudy Giuliani, and the way
things have been going for Giuliani,
it may have been the most significant
thing he gets out of the transition.

Pop Quiz. When Donald Trump
finally took a call from British Prime
Minister Theresa May, he:

- A) Asked her if she'd ever played at

you thought that Trump's first talk with,
say, the president of Turkey, had been
preceded by a briefing?

Pop Quiz II. When Donald Trump
spoke to the president of Turkey, he
talked about:

- A) Turkey's rapid and disturbing
slide from democracy to dictatorship.
- B) The war on terror.
- C) Trump Towers Istanbul.
- D) Golf.

The answer was probably B,
although you can bet Trump Towers
Istanbul was in the back of his mind. "I
have a little conflict of interest 'cause I
have a major, major building in Istan-

the very liberal mayor of New York City,
which was certainly gracious given
the harsh words the two men have
exchanged over the last year. De Blasio
said he explained to Trump how fear-
ful New Yorkers were of his ideas. The
mayor also said the meeting went great.
This is good news. Maybe Trump does
have an untapped potential for diplo-
macy.

Tell it to the British. Meanwhile, I am
sorry to report that de Blasio didn't sug-
gest Trump move to New Jersey.

*Gail Collins writes for the New York
Times.*

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SPEAK OUT

**Dangerous crossings should be
railroad's responsibility**

I recently had the suspension in
my vehicle replaced because it had
become unsafe. I believe much
of the damage is because I (and
many others) have to drive over
hazardous Norfolk Southern rail-
road crossings in the Oxford area
at least twice a day.

These railroad crossings are
causing undue wear and tear on
thousands of vehicles with possi-
ble hazardous safety implications.
I cannot remember a time when
these crossings were in good con-
dition.

Some are deteriorated to the
degree that only the rail is exposed
with hardware extending into the
traffic path, thus creating hazards
to vehicles. The roadbed is sub-
standard, with rotten and deteri-
orated ties, distorted track, trash
and overgrown vegetation. These
conditions further deteriorate the
property values of the long-suffer-
ing residents adjoining the tracks.
Some of the crossings have unnec-
essary tracks for sidings to busi-
nesses that are no longer required.

This railroad is rarely used.
When it is used, it carries long

trains of empty railroad cars.
These long trains cause unsched-
uled interruptions in personal
and commercial vehicle traffic
for extended periods of time.
There is no way to get around the
crossings because of the length of
these trains, and that could cause
potential life-threatening condi-
tions by interrupting emergency
police, fire and medical rescue and
disaster evacuation routes.

Vehicular commerce should
not be displaced by this rare-
ly used railroad. For years, the
railroad company has violated
the public trust by disregarding
the safety hazards caused by not
maintaining the crossings. There
doesn't appear to be any econom-
ic value to having the railroad in
the area.

The citizens of Oxford have tol-
erated this nuisance long enough.
Norfolk Southern should be
required to immediately remove
the railroad, restore the land to an
acceptable condition and make
the roads safe.

*Charles Cline
Oxford*

OTHER VIEWS

**Climate collision:
Paris accord will
be first flashpoint**

*This editorial first appeared in the Pitts-
burgh Post-Gazette:*

Climate change is likely to be the first
issue where U.S. domestic and foreign pol-
icy, under the new administration of Presi-
dent-elect Donald Trump, will collide with
the international community.

The policies of President Barack Obama
had America among the countries leading
the way on this issue, culminating in the
U.N Framework Convention on Climate
Change accord struck in Paris last year ...
The positions that Trump took during the
campaign, presumably to be implemented
once he takes office in January, appear to go
in the opposite direction. Not only did he say
he would withdraw America from the pact,
he also made promises to the electorate,
including to bring coal and steel back, that
would put America in a position of non-ob-
servance of its previous commitments, and
also have it doing serious damage to the
global campaign against climate change in
general ...

Whatever U.S. policy under Trump turns
out to be, it will be a bone of contention for
the United States and a Europe led by Ger-
man Chancellor Angela Merkel.

Jack Plunk

From: Terpay, Susan M. <Susan.Terpay@nscorp.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 04, 2017 9:30 AM
To: Jack Plunk
Subject: FW: Info for Anniston

Below listed is a summary of Norfolk Southern train operations in the Anniston area in addition to information that highlights the local economic activity stimulated by NS rail service. Anniston is located in the center of what we call the "East End District" (Birmingham to Atlanta) and is interconnected with all of the train operations on this line segment so all of the information refers to the East End District as a whole.

Amtrak Passenger Train Service:

- Two Amtrak trains operate daily over NS lines between Birmingham and Atlanta. One train operates west, and the other operates east. Anniston is host to an Amtrak station.

Thru-Freight Train Service (trains traveling through Anniston):

- 13 scheduled daily trains
- Products shipped include general merchandise, automotive, and consumer products.
- More than 30 additional trains run during the month. These trains include the products listed above as well as bulk commodities (coal, cement), government shipments.

Local Train Service – Serving local/regional customers based in Anniston area and between Birmingham, AL and Douglasville, GA:

- 4 scheduled trains provide rail service to 21 local industries at least once daily. Some customers require daily service to keep their plants operating.
- NS' Anniston rail yard is reporting location for NS employees, and the yard is used for storing and switching local industry cars prior to moving to and from industries

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From: Jack Plunk [<mailto:jack.plunk@earpdc.org>]
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 4:36 PM
To: Terpay, Susan M.
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Info for Anniston

Ms. Terpay,

1/11/17

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

<u>PROJECT NO.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
NHF-0901(500)	Base and pave of Eastern Bypass from Lake Yahou to US 431	Punch list
STPAA-HSIP-0004(542)	Resurface SR 4 (US 78) from MP 166.7 to MP 171.1	Stripe & cleanup
STPOA-0815(251)	Bicycle & Pedestrian Imp. at 14 th , 11 th , 18 th , and Cobb Ave.	Signs
ACOA59378-ATRP(010)	Signal Improvements in Jville Along SR 21 at 10 intersections	Work began this week
STPOA-0814(251)	Chief Ladiga Trail Resurfacing City of Weaver	Sidewalk work & replacing ballards

Fixed-Route Ridership									
	FY 08-09	FY 09-10	FY 10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FY 15-16	FY 16-17
Oct	6,837	6,543	7,850	9,757	11,074	10,266	11,357	9,851	9,011
Nov	5,834	5,680	7,714	9,178	10,168	9,690	9,644	9,077	9,481
Dec	5,923	6,545	8,333	9,439	9,069	9,610	10,621	9,749	
Jan	6,510	6,030	7,514	9,458	10,188	9,240	10,446	8,957	
Feb	5,441	6,121	8,050	9,687	10,002	10,393	8,826	9,573	
Mar	5,863	7,480	9,064	10,131	10,117	11,245	9,467	9,965	
Apr	5,990	7,108	8,245	9,466	10,261	11,463	9,872	9,338	
May	5,827	6,843	8,650	9,787	10,258	11,512	9,548	8,838	
Jun	6,620	7,609	9,326	10,234	9,781	10,747	10,449	9,745	
Jul	6,692	7,714	9,358	9,821	10,136	11,707	10,535	9,164	
Aug	6,088	8,282	11,080	11,209	11,488	12,075	10,275	10,241	
Sep	6,229	8,190	10,218	9,573	9,756	11,370	9,688	9,543	

2016 Avg./Mo. 728 237 1 200 410 303

ADA Paratransit Ridership

Fiscal Year 2016-2017	Anniston	Jacksonville	Weaver	Oxford	Section 5307 CC Urban	Section 5311 CC Rural
October	778	257	0	168	279	288
November	773	281	0	248	323	223
December						
January						
February						
March						
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July						
August						
September						

2017 Avg./Mo. ¹⁵⁵¹776 ⁵³⁸269 0 ⁴¹⁶208 ⁶⁰²301 ⁵¹¹256

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SIGN-IN SHEET

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

of the

CALHOUN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

10:00 am

January 25th, 2016

NAME

CITY

EMAIL

Jerry Lewallen	Weaver	
John E. Shum	EAC/MPO	
Mike Kimberly	Anniston	
Marshall Skidley	Oxford	
Miller Parnell	Anniston	
MELISSA COLEMAN	J'VILLE	
Dennis Reaves	CAL CO	
Byard Barber	OXFORD	
Brandon Freeman	Oxford	
Phillip Keith	Anniston	
Frank Thomas	WEAVER	
David Thompson	JSU	
CHRIS GANN	CALHOUN	
Samie Zheredtz	Seale	

Formal Amendments
to the
FY 16-19 Transportation Improvement Plan

Calhoun Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)



Public Involvement Meeting
Wednesday, January 25th
10 am

EARPDC 3rd Floor Conference Room
1130 Quintard Ave., Suite 300
Anniston, AL 36202
(256) 237-6741
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Current Project Description

2.4.1.20

Project Description: **Resurface Church Avenue (11th St. NE to G. Douthit Dr.)**
 Type: Resurface - Major Collector
 Length: 2.87 mi (4.79km)
 ALDOT ID: N/A
 Data File ID: TIP 11
 Project Number: N/A
 Program: Surface Transportation Program
 Sponsor: City of Jacksonville

Project Phase	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	TOTAL
Preliminary Eng.		\$118,687			\$118,687
Right of Way					\$0
Utilities					\$0
Construction			\$1,104,814		\$1,104,814
Total Cost/Year	\$0	\$118,687	\$1,104,814	\$0	\$1,223,501
Federal Funds	\$0	\$94,950	\$883,851	\$0	\$978,801
State Funds					
Local Funds	\$0	\$23,737	\$220,963	\$0	\$244,700



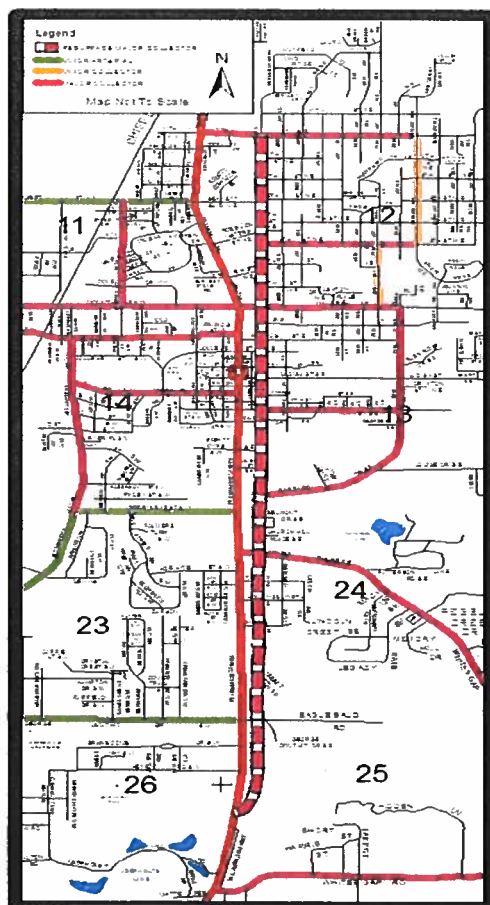
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New Project Description

Project Description: **Resurface Church Avenue (11th St. to AL 21)**
 Type: Resurface Major Collector
 Length: 3.35 mi
 ALDoT ID: PE #100064885 CN #100064886
 Data File ID: TIP 11
 Project Number: N/A
 Program: Surface Transportation Program
 Sponsor: City of Jacksonville

Project Phase	FY 16	FY 17	FY 18	FY 19	TOTAL
Preliminary Eng.		\$118,687			\$118,687
Right of Way					\$0
Utilities					\$0
Construction			\$1,104,814		\$1,104,814
Total Cost/Year		\$118,687	\$1,104,814		\$1,223,501
Federal Funds		\$94,950	\$883,851		\$978,801
State Funds					
Local Funds		\$23,737	\$220,963		\$244,700

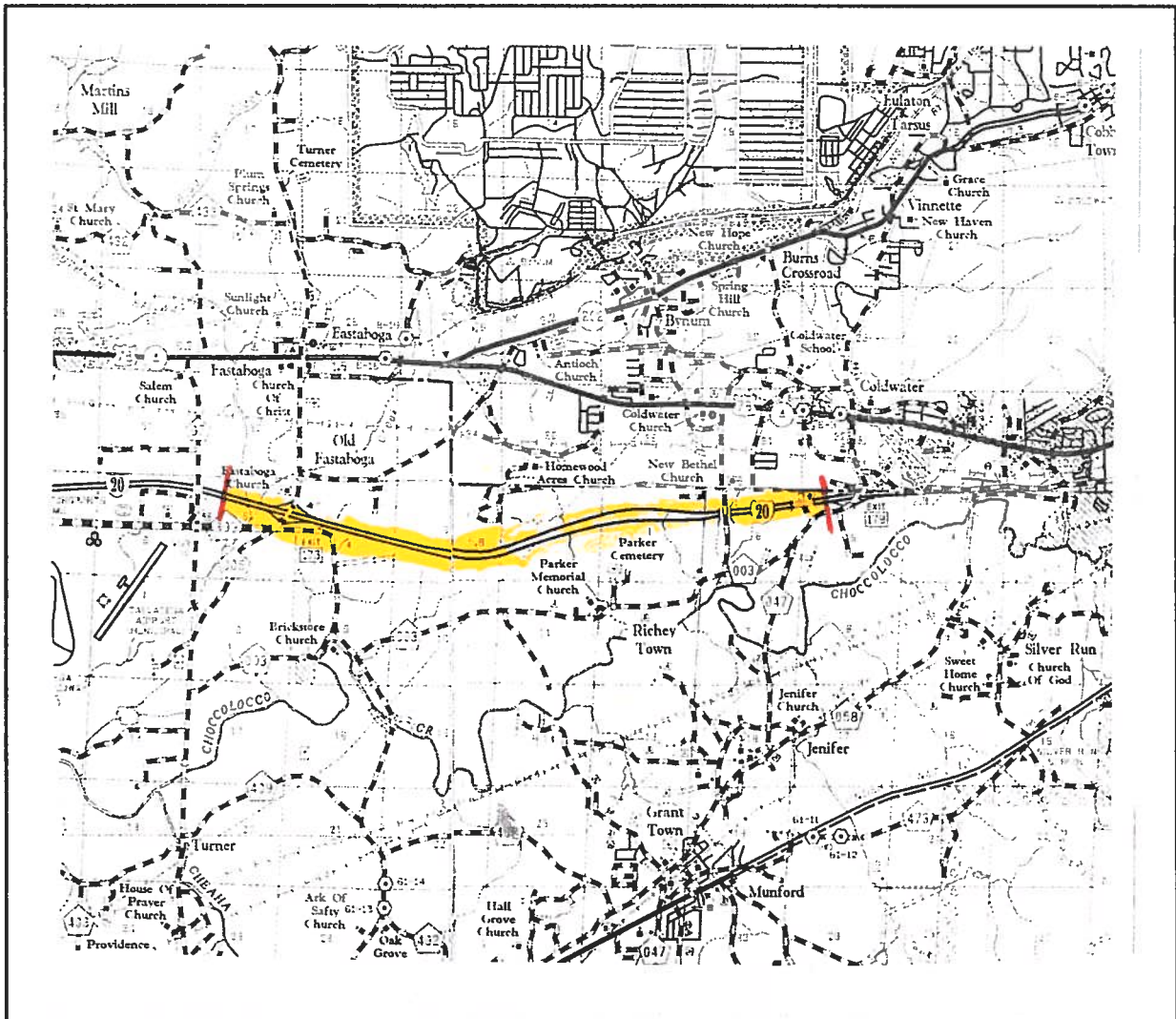


FY 16-19 TIP Amendment

ADD NEW PROJECT

#100066466 (PE) Resurfacing I-20 (MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO 179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$250,000

#100066469 (CN) Resurfacing I-20 MP 173.294 (beginning of six lane) to MPO 179.150 (County Line Rd. West) \$10,540,800



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Vital Aging Network

Maintaining Mobility in an Aging Population

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Transportation is the vital link between home and community. It connects individuals of all ages to the places where they can fulfill their most basic needs.

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging in "Home and Community-Based Services for Older Adults: Transportation"

Older Americans have a love affair with the automobile, a feeling that is closely tied to deeply held values of autonomy and independence. According to AARP, eighty-nine percent of older adults travel in private vehicles. This group does not easily give up cars for public transportation. These behaviors can affect their mobility as they age and, therefore, their ability to socialize with friends and family, to meet their physical needs, and to take part in activities that make their lives meaningful.

As people age, a number of factors can threaten mobility, including impaired ability to drive, limited availability of alternative forms of transportation and unwillingness to be dependent upon others. Adding to the issue, nearly 80% of older adults live in suburban and rural areas where public transportation is limited and walking to destinations is not feasible.

Being a nondriver can be a risk factor for isolation. AARP's national study indicates that half of all nondrivers age 65 or over stay at home on any given day, missing opportunities for social interaction or community involvement. Good transportation options are crucial to the ability of people to age in place, in their homes and in their communities.

Communities need to address two major issues:

- How to help older people continue to drive safely later in their lives
- How to provide access to alternative forms of transportation that meet the needs of an aging population

By 2030, 25% of licensed drivers in the United States will be over the age of 65 ([The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging](#)). Many older drivers retain their ability to drive safely, but some experience cognitive and physical loss due to aging or as a side effect of medications. Extending the ability of older drivers to drive safely can have positive effects on the individual and on the community.

Communities can take a number of steps to help people drive safely longer. Education and driver training that takes into account the special needs of older drivers can help. AARP recommends graduated driving licenses that are tailored to an individual's abilities. Modifications to roadways, signage and vehicles can make it easier for drivers with some impairment to drive safely.

In a recent article titled, "The Coming Boom in Boomer-Friendly Transport," Business Week reports that automakers are addressing some of these issues by making cars that are easy to get in and out of, have thicker steering wheels for arthritic hands and have clearly marked buttons and knobs on dashboards.

For those who cannot or choose not to drive, communities need to provide a variety of viable transportation options that are safe, affordable and convenient. According to n4a some options include:

- Sidewalks with resting places for pedestrians
- Improved quality and variety in public transportation
- A network of volunteer drivers that provide on-demand transportation
- Point-to-point transport

In an age of increased environmental awareness, many communities are pursuing energy efficient alternatives to transportation needs. One way community planners are addressing the issue is to create multi-use developments in which people live within walking distance of shops, services and entertainment, and therefore, reduce dependence upon vehicles for transportation. A side advantage of the walking could be a healthier population.

We are all responsible for making sure our communities have the transportation options we need to remain mobile throughout our lives. Many communities are finding that engaging citizens in transportation planning is an excellent way to enhance civic life and lay the groundwork for more successful solutions.

For more information about transportation issues, visit the following links:

How Transportation and Community Partnerships are Shaping America,
www.pps.org/pdf/book2.pdf

Moving Communities Forward: How Well-Designed Transportation Projects Make Great Places, www.movingcommunitiesforward.org

Communities for a Lifetime: Transportation,
www.communitiesforalifetime.org/comm_trans.php

Promising Approaches for Promoting Lifelong Community Mobility,
aarpvolunteers.com/dsp/Promising_FINAL.pdf

SIGN-IN SHEET

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of the

CALHOUN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

10:00 am

January 25th, 2016

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