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Wednesday, February 3, 2021
10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Approval of January 20, 2021 Minutes (enclosed)

3. Development of Draft Program of Projects
   • Feedback and adjustments following the January 20th meeting
   • Adoption of draft program of projects for public comment period

4. Timeline and Next Steps

5. Other Business

6. Adjourn

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The next AFC Meeting is
Wednesday, March 31, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.
Members/Alternates Present

Members Representing
Matt Peoples City of Canal Winchester
James Young City of Columbus
Maria Cantrell City of Columbus
Andy Biesterveld COTA
Paul Kennedy CRAA
Bill Ferrigno City of Delaware
Tiffany Jenkins Delaware Co. Eng.
Denny Schooley Delaware County Transit
Jeannie Willis City of Dublin
Barb Cox Franklin Co. Eng.
Mike Andrako Franklin Co. Eng.
Cindi Fitzpatrick City of Grove City

Members Representing
Letty Schamp City of Hilliard
Nick Gill MORPC
Thea Ewing MORPC
Ira Weiss MORPC CAC
Catherine Girves MORPC CAC
Eric Walli MORPC SAC
Mike Barker City of New Albany
Brian Davidson ODOT D6
Kimberly Moss The Ohio State University
Alan Haines City of Pataskala
Jackie Thiel City of Upper Arlington
Kevin Weaver City of Westerville

MORPC Staff Present
Tom Graham
Nate Vogt
Lauren Cardoni

Guests Present
Tim Nittle, City of Columbus
Alan Moran, City of Columbus
Jud Hines, City of Columbus
Jim Pajk, City of Columbus
Kelly Scocco, City of Columbus
Rob Riley, Delaware Co. Eng.
Fritz Crosier, Franklin Co. Eng.
Anthony Turowski, ODOT District 6
Tom Hibbard, American Structurepoint
Valerie Croasmun, MS Consultants
Kristin Studabaker, Carpenter Marty

1. Introductions
Chair Cindi Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of December 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes
Chair Fitzpatrick entertained a motion for the approval of the December 2, 2020 meeting minutes; Bill Ferrigno moved; Matt Peoples seconded; and the motion carried.
3. Revised Scoring of New Applications
Tom Graham explained that staff had been working alongside applicants and members of the AFC to review the preliminary draft scoring of new applications and prepare revised scores. These revised scores were provided to AFC in advance of this meeting. Tom Graham presented explanations by project for any score or rationale revisions which were made during this process, and informed AFC that additional explanation of revisions and responses to comments are included in the revised scoring packets included in the meeting materials.

Nick Gill explained that staff had received comments from the City of Delaware, the City of Columbus, the City of Pataskala, the Franklin County Engineer’s Office, the Delaware County Engineer’s Office, and COTA.

4. Updates to Previous Funding Commitments
Nick Gill explained that based on updates to previous funding commitments, the Attributable Funding Program is expected to be out of fiscal balance in the coming years. Nick Gill furthered that availability to borrow funds from other MPOs around the state should allow for the projected deficit in SFY 2021 and SFY 2022, but the over programming in SFY 2023 will need to be addressed. Nick Gill identified the projects which, during the update process, had requested to be advanced ahead of their funding commitment from the last cycle. Information of the stage in the PDP each project was at. Staff proposed that 4 projects furthest along in the PDP process be advanced ahead of their previous commitment year while the rest move back to the commitment year from the previous cycle (FY 2024).

Jackie Thiel expressed that the proposed updates to previous commitments would leave a gap between the two Fishinger Rd reconstruction projects. They would like to work with staff to discuss potential options surrounding these projects which could include not advancing the first project from FY23 to FY22 so that they would remain in consecutive years.

James Young explained that the City of Columbus would like to continue discussion regarding advancing the E Broad St project. Nick Gill explained that the City of Columbus could potentially delay other projects they have to allow the advancement of the E Broad St project, and that staff would be willing to continue discussing these options.

5. Spreadsheet Tool
Nick Gill presented the spreadsheet tool which was provided to AFC to analyze potential funding scenarios for new funding commitments. Nick Gill explained that new funding commitments be awarded to higher scoring projects within each category. The spreadsheet was presented to AFC with the highest scoring project in each category being awarded 100% of their requested funding as a starting point for the AFC to discuss.

James Young expressed that the City of Columbus was comfortable with ID 502 – Big Walnut Trail being funded in the Bike/Ped category. Catherine Girves asked for clarification regarding consideration of scoring across categories, as well as target funding maximums and minimums by category. Catherine Girves explained that the Community Advisory Committee has expressed a desire for MORPC funding to be used for more Bike/Ped projects. The AFC engaged in continued discussion of the Bike/Ped components of other roadway projects, and further clarification was provided regarding the scoring of Bike/Ped components during the evaluation process.
Cindi Fitzpatrick suggested that AFC consider the funding scenario in which the two top scoring tiers of projects in each category receive 100% of their requested funding, and then work backwards to reduce future commitments to be within the available funding limits.

The AFC engaged in discussion surrounding the COTA Corridor Initiative and Strategic Land Acquisition project, specifically regarding the $13 million ROW request. Andy Biesterveld provided additional explanation of this project.

Nick Gill explained that funding the two top scoring tiers in each category at 100% would cause $33.9 million in over programming through 2027. Nick Gill suggested that AFC consider options for reducing this over programming before the February 3rd meeting.

Rob Riley asked how a potential federal stimulus could impact the availability of funds. Nick Gill explained that the timing of a federal stimulus could potentially impact how much funding is available this round. However, the timing of when any stimulus funds would be available and any restrictions or requirements for it sue would need to be reviewed.

6. **Timeline and Next Steps**
   Nick Gill explained that an updated spreadsheet tool would be provided to AFC in advance of the February 3rd meeting which would reflect changes to previous funding commitments and the proposed funding scenario discussed earlier in this meeting.

7. **Other Business**
   No other business was discussed.

   Chair Fitzpatrick entertained a motion to adjourn; Ira Weiss moved; James Young seconded; and the motion carried at approximately 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thea Ewing
Secretary