



**NORTHEAST ARKANSAS
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
PLANNING COMMISSION**

March 16, 2022

RE: Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting of March 23rd, 2022

Dear Committee Members:

The agenda for the upcoming meeting of the N.A.R.T.P.C. Citizen Advisory Committee is attached. The meeting will be held at **4:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 23rd, 2022 in the First Floor Conference Room of the Jonesboro Municipal Center (300 S. Church Street).**

The main purpose of this meeting is to discuss potential action items for the MPO's upcoming Regional Emissions Action Plan, and conduct annual elections for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Citizen Advisory Committee.

As always, all stakeholders to the regional transportation planning process are welcome to attend this meeting. Those in attendance are encouraged to speak on any matter related to transportation planning whether it is on the current agenda or not. Please call the MPO staff office at (870) 933-4623 if you have questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Alan Pillow.
MPO Director



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**N.A.R.T.P.C. CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
Jonesboro Municipal Center, 300 S. Church Street, Jonesboro, Arkansas
March 23rd, 2022, 4:00 p.m.**

Members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to speak at the conclusion of the meeting, or as otherwise specified by the Chairperson of the Citizen Advisory Committee. It is requested that presentations be limited to three minutes, and that members of the audience identify themselves and state their point as briefly as possible when addressing the Committee.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the Metropolitan Planning Organization office (Tel # (870) 933-4623) 48 hours in advance of the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

- 1. Committee Chair to Call the Meeting to Order**
- 2. Welcome and Introductions**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from 1.26.22 Meeting**
- 4. Staff Updates**
 - a. MPO Newsletter (Volume V, Issue I)
- 5. Old Business**
 - a. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP/TIP)
 - b. Amendments to 2045 MTP and FY21-24 TIP
 - <https://fy2124tipmtp.wordpress.com>
- 6. New Business**
 - a. 2022 Elections
 - Chair & Vice-Chair
 - b. Transportation Safety – An Ongoing Discussion
 - c. Regional Emissions Action Plan
- 7. Project Updates**
- 8. Public Comments**
- 9. Adjournment**

Contact Lists (Emails, Faxes, and Postal Mail Addresses): Please update your information and give us the addresses of those you would like to be on the MPO mailing list.

Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Minutes

Date January 26, 2022

Location 1st Floor Conference Room
Jonesboro Municipal Center
300 S. Church Street
Jonesboro, AR 72401

Time 4:00 p.m.

Opening Vic Moore called the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on November 17, 2021 in the 1st floor conference room of the Jonesboro Municipal Center.

Roll Call Those in attendance are listed below.

Citizen Advisory Committee Members

Ana Saucedo
Vic Moore (Chair)

Staff

Alan Pillow
Nadia Hamdani

Introductions

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Minutes

Vic Moore made the motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 17, 2021; Ana Saucedo seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Staff Updates

MPO Newsletter (Volume IV, Issue IV)

Alan reminded the committee that an electronic link to the newest edition of the MPO digital newsletter (Volume IV, Issue IV) has been emailed to members. He stated that the MPO staff welcomes any/all feedback concerning the content and design of the next newsletter (Volume V, Issue I).

Old business

FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP/TIP)

Alan notified the committee that the MPO's proposed project list for the FY 2023-2026 STIP/TIP was forwarded to ARDOT after being approved by the Policy Committee. He explained that the project list is currently being reviewed by ARDOT's Program Management Division, and the project selection process is scheduled to begin early to late spring.

Amendment to 2045 MTP and FY21-24 TIP

Alan notified the committee that an amendment to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program must be made to account for the N.A.R.T.P.C.'s adoption of A_RDOT's 2022 Safety Performance Targets. He stated that the public comment period for the draft of the MTP and TIP was from January 16, 2022 to January 25, 2022 (10-days) in accordance with the MPO Public Participation Plan. The plan is set to be adopted at the next MPO Policy Committee meeting.

New Business

2022 Elections

Alan explained to the committee that, due to the lower number of committee members present, the 2022 election for Chair and Vice-Chair should be postponed until the next meeting on March 23, 2022.

Transportation Safety – an Ongoing Discussion

Alan informed the committee that the MPO is still in discussions with A_RDOT officials regarding transportation safety within the metropolitan planning area, and added that the discussion would continue at the upcoming MPO Joint Committee meeting in April.

MPO Running project list

Alan presented the committee members with a running list of potential future projects for the planning area. He explained that the list was pulled directly from the MTP and will be reviewed for potential modifications at the upcoming MPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting. Alan expressed that he was welcomed any feedback or suggestions regarding the MPO's running project list.

Project Updates

Alan informed the committee that MPO staff would soon begin working on an Emissions Action Plan. He explained that the MPO staff are in the early research stage of plan development and are awaiting guidance from the Association of Metropolitan Transportation Organizations and A_RDOT.

Public Comments

There were no public comments at this time.

Adjournment

Vic Moore (Chair) made the motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Alan Pillow. The meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.