

**Indianapolis Regional Transportation Council
Administrative Committee Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2018
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
IndyGo Board Room
1501 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46222**

Committee Members Present

Mark Myers – City of Greenwood*	Mike Terry – IndyGo*
Dennis Buckley – City of Beech Grove*	Tom Klein – Town of Avon*
Luke Mastin – Johnson County*	Dan Parker – City of Indianapolis*
Jeff Hill – City of Fishers*	

* = Voting member or proxy

Others Present

Anna Gremling – MPO	James Rinehart – MPO
Taylor Firestine – MPO	Jennifer Dunn – MPO
Steve Cunningham – MPO	Kristyn Sanchez – MPO

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Mayor Mark Myers, Chair of the Administrative Committee, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and welcomed Administrative Committee members.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (SEEKING APPROVAL)

Mayor Dennis Buckley moved to approve the July 27, 2018 minutes as presented.
Mike Terry seconded the motion.
 The minutes of the July 27, 2018 IRTC Administrative Committee Meeting were approved.

ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. 2045 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY

Anna Gremling presented a memo summarizing the 2045 LRTP Air Quality Conformity Determination Report. She briefed the committee on progress since a February decision by the D.C. Court of Appeals (*South Coast Air Quality Management District v. EPA*). The court case necessitated the MPO analyze projects within the 2045 LRTP to ensure the plan will attain emissions levels conforming to federal air quality requirements per 1997 standards. **Gremling** noted next steps, including public review and comment and final approval from FHWA and FTA.

Jeff Hill asked how an increase in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) would impact Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC). **Gremling** said this question would be addressed at future meetings.

Mike Terry asked if fuel economy was factored into the analysis. **Gremling** responded that the MPO’s modeling uses the latest data available through the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).

Committee members discussed Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding eligibility as it relates to attainment.

Gremling mentioned that the report would be open for public comment at the October 24th IRTC Policy Committee meeting.

Mike Terry moved to recommend approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-017.
Jeff Hill seconded the motion.
The IRTC Administrative Committee recommended approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-017.

4. **2945 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENT**

Anna Gremling presented Amendment #1 to the 2045 LRTP and will be considered for approval at the October 24th IRTC Policy Committee meeting.

Mayor Dennis Buckley moved to recommend approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-018.
Mayor Andy Cook seconded the motion.
The IRTC Administrative Committee recommended approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-018.

5. **SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

Jennifer Dunn presented her memo regarding Safety Performance Management (PM-1) 2019 Targets for consideration. Five (5) measures are included: number of fatalities; number of serious injuries; rate of fatalities per 100 million VMT; rate of serious injuries; and number of non-motorized serious injuries. INDOT set targets in August and the MPO has until February to support INDOT's recommendations or set their own. MPO staff recommended supporting INDOT's targets.

Jeff Hill asked whether this was the result of federal requirements. Indeed, the Safety Performance Management Program is derived from the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), enacted by Congress in 2012.

Gremling noted that no matter what safety targets are adopted today, they won't be relevant until the next call for projects, programed to 2024.

Hill initiated discussion with the committee on bolstering the resolution's language; discussion ensued. **Mayor Mark Myers** suggested waiting for ARIES data cleanup before moving forward.

Mayor Andy Cook inquired how the Indianapolis MPO ranks among peer MPOs and states and focus on best practices to improve safety. **Gremling** mentioned the MPO's recently revised scoring criteria weights points to projects in the region's 50 highest crash intersections for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding category.

Hill asked what repercussions might result without adoption. **Steve Cunningham** replied that the MPO would not be able to amend the TIP, essentially freezing the program.

Jeff Hill moved to recommend approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-019, with bolstered language.
Luke Mastin seconded the motion.
The IRTC Administrative Committee recommended approving Resolution Number 18-IMPO-019.

STATUS REPORTS

6. **DIRECTOR'S UPDATE**

- Financial deals with other MPOs.
 - **Gremling** introduced her memo regarding financial agreements with other MPOs. She outlined the concept as an additional tool in the agency's toolbox to ensure federal funding isn't lost. This tool would allow the MPO to exchange a portion of its annual allocation funds with other Indiana MPOs to avoid losing funds to INDOT. Entering into an agreement would require a special meeting of the IRTC Administrative Committee for guidance. Discussion ensued on INDOT's "use it or lose it" policy.

Mayor Andy Cook suggested further discussions with INDOT on changing the existing policy to provide MPOs with greater flexibility. **Gremling** agreed to share her talking points with **Mayor Mark Myers** for an upcoming meeting.

- Independent MPO update
 - **Gremling** provided a brief statement on the agency’s independence. She has communicated with Governor Holcomb’s staff on preparing documentation. **Gremling** stated that all options and costs are being considered. The MPO will be holding a staff retreat in November. **Gremling** reminded committee members that they should expect invitations to assist on transition teams.
- Certification Report
 - **Gremling** stated that FHWA had planned to provide the MPO’s Certification Report by August 22nd. The report has yet to be distributed, though she noted there are no corrective actions.
- Performance Measures Written Provisions
 - **Gremling** said the MPO would be working with IndyGo on transit safety measures. CIRTA’s Philip Roth will give a 5307 presentation at the upcoming IRTC Technical and Policy Committee meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gremling mentioned an upcoming TIP amendment regarding 96th St. for \$2.1 million. The original award amount to the City of Fishers totaled \$5.5 million.

Discussion ensued transit-related news; notably construction progress on IndyGo’s Red Line BRT project and a planned income tax referendum for improved public transit in Guilford Township (Plainfield).

Steve Cunningham reminded committee members that the MPO’s annual call for projects is open.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Dan Parker moved to adjourn the meeting.

Mike Terry seconded the motion.

The Administrative Committee voted in favor of adjournment at 10:11 a.m.