



MEETING MINUTES

NORTH CAROLINA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: July 19, 2018

LOCATION: NCDOT (6th Floor Board Room)

1 S. Wilmington Street

TIME: 10:30AM

Raleigh, NC 27601

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT

Montell Irvin, Jim Crawford

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA PHONE

Charles Travis

MEMBERS ABSENT

AGENDA TOPICS

1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS – MONTELL IRVIN, CHAIR

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Chairman Montell Irvin welcomed everyone to the July 19, 2018 Operations Committee meeting and asked all in attendance, both by phone and in person, to introduce themselves. Mr. Charles Travis attended the meeting by phone.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Information only/no action required.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF JUNE 21, 2018 MEETING MINUTES – MONTELL IRVIN, CHAIR

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Chairman Irvin called the meeting to order and stated the Operations Committee minutes for the June 21, 2018 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting.

ACTIONS TAKEN

The minutes for the June 21, 2018 Operations Committee meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Jim Crawford, seconded by Mr. Travis.

3. OPENING COMMENTS – RODGER ROCHELLE, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Mr. Rodger Rochelle gave opening comments on behalf of Mr. Beau Memory. Mr. Rochelle began the opening comments with an update on the Triangle Expressway, stating revenue for the month of May was 37% above projections and 12.6% year-over-year with more than \$4.4 million earned.

The month of June remained strong with over four million transactions, which is over a 6.5% increase year-over-year. The NC Quick Pass Transponder AVI rate made up 58.9% of the June transactions, and the Customer Service Center sold over 9,500 Transponders.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Information only/no action required.

4. VOLVO TRUCKS/FEDEx PLATOONING DEMONSTRATION – DENNIS JERNIGAN, P.E., DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAY OPERATIONS

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Mr. Dennis Jernigan gave an overview of the Volvo Trucks/FedEx Platooning Demonstration on the Triangle Expressway. Mr. Jernigan explained the collaboration was between NCTA, Volvo Trucks North America and FedEx, and that safety was paramount in all demonstrations.

Mr. Jernigan closed the presentation by inviting committee members to the next platooning demonstration scheduled for July 31, 2018.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Information only/no action required.

5. I-485 & U.S. 74 PROJECT UPDATE – RODGER ROCHELLE, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Mr. Rodger Rochelle gave an update on the I-485 and U.S. 74 Express Lanes Projects.

Chairman Irvin inquired if Phase II of the project is one reversible express lane. Mr. Rochelle stated the project is one express lane in each direction.

Mr. Charles Travis asked Mr. Rochelle to address the timeframe to handle tasks requested by the CRTPO. Mr. Rochelle stated all tasks are complete. Traffic and Revenue studies are level II, the CRTPO/NCTA Liaison group is formed and meetings for additional outreach for local stakeholders and MPOs are scheduled.

Mr. Travis inquired if there is an official action required by the MPO to move forward. Mr. Rochelle stated no additional action was required.

Chairman Irvin inquired about the difference in getting the level II traffic and revenue study compared to level I. Mr. Rochelle explained the level II study gives a better and more robust analysis.

Mr. Rochelle invited committee member to the upcoming local open house meetings on July 25 and 26. Chairman Irvin inquired if any expected opposition for the projects. Mr. Rochelle stated no opposition thus far, only questions about the projects and request to accelerate the construction work for I-485.

Mr. Rochelle invited Carly Olexik, NCTA Communications Officer to add comments on feedback received from the public.

Chairman Irvin noted ongoing traffic and revenue studies on I-485 and inquired if there will be a separate investment grade traffic and revenue study for U.S. 74. Mr. Rochelle explained the studies are separate, but there is a Direct Connect between the two projects which allows the revenue and operating cost to be treated as one system. Chairman Irvin inquired if bringing in the U-2509 project would change the finance level. Mr. Rochelle stated yes, an analysis was done to see how the project affects revenue cost.

Mr. Travis inquired if the work south of I-485 towards the Matthews area related to the U.S. 74 project. Mr. Rochelle stated the projects are viewed as a system but contracting and construction schedules are separate. Mr. Travis inquired if there are any known traffic disruptions for the projects. Mr. Rochelle explained planned traffic disruptions on U.S. 74 would be between years 2019 and 2021, further east on U.S. 74 would occur between years 2023 and 2025.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Information only/no action required.

6. COMPLETE 540 PROCUREMENT UPDATE – RODGER ROCHELLE, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Mr. Rodger Rochelle gave an update on the Complete 540 Procurement.

Chair Irvin inquired if anything foreseen that would cause delay in the project. Mr. Rochelle stated in terms of procurement process, no.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Information only/no action required.

7. ADJOURN – MONTELL IRVIN, CHAIR

DISCUSSION SUMMARY

Chairman Irvin opened the floor for questions or comments. No questions or comments were offered.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Chairman Irvin called for a motion to adjourn the July 19, 2018 Operations Committee Meeting. Mr. Crawford moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Travis. The motion was approved unanimously. Chairman Irvin declared the meeting adjourned.