



Board of Directors – Operations Committee

# Meeting Minutes

**Date:** April 16, 2020 @ 10:30 am

**Location:** via conference call/webinar

## Attendance

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### Members Present

### Members Present Via Phone

Montell Irvin, Sam Hunt, Mary Clayton,  
Charles Travis, Perry Safran

### Members Absent

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## Welcome, Introductions, Call to Order & Declaration of Quorum – Montell Irvin, PE, Chair

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### Discussion Summary

Chairman Montell Irvin welcomed everyone to the April 16, 2020 Operations Committee meeting and asked all in attendance by phone and webinar to introduce themselves. Chairman Irvin thanked everyone for attending the meeting via conference call/webinar.

### Actions Taken

Information only, no action required

## **Call to Order & Approval of March 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes – Montell Irvin, PE, Chair**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Chairman Irvin called the meeting to order and stated the Operations Committee minutes for the March 19, 2020 meeting were distributed prior to the meeting.

### **Actions Taken**

The minutes for the March 19, 2020 Operations Committee meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by Mr. Charles Travis, seconded by Ms. Sam Hunt.

## **Opening Comments – J. J. Eden, NCTA Executive Director**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Mr. J.J. Eden began the opening comments with thanking everyone for all the sacrifices made to keep life going during this uncertain time of the COVID-19 crisis.

Mr. Eden gave an update on the Triangle Expressway, stating revenue for February increased 17.7% year-over-year with over \$5.1 million.

The month of February remained strong with over 4.5 million transactions. The NC Quick Pass Transponder AVI rate increased 5.3% year-over-year.

Mr. Eden gave an update on the Monroe Expressway, stating transactions for the month of February were nearly 2.7 million, and revenue was \$1.8 million.

Mr. Eden stated the month of February had over 18,500 transponders distributed with nearly 808,000 distributed program-to-date as of February 29, 2020.

Mr. Eden invited Mr. David Roy to share Turnpike's finance details since the Coronavirus. Chairman Irvin inquired if Turnpike would be impacted by the CARES ACT stimulus relief for tolling facilities. Mr. Eden explained Congress included transit in the stimulus relief and not surface transportation for highway.

Chairman Irvin inquired if Turnpike approval and signing of contract documents would be impacted if NCDOT goes below the cash floor. Mr. Eden stated legal is currently working with legislation to interpret the law.

### **Actions Taken**

Information only, no action required

## **Complete 540 Construction Update – Dennis Jernigan, PE, Director of Highway Operations**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Mr. Dennis Jernigan gave an update on the Complete 540 Construction.

Chairman Irvin inquired on the COVID-19 response. Mr. Jernigan stated an action plan is currently in place for staff and contractors working on the project.

### **Actions Taken**

Information only, no action required.

## **Triangle Expressway Paint Contract Update – Dennis Jernigan, PE, Director of Highway Operations**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Mr. Dennis Jernigan gave an update on the Triangle Expressway Paint Contract Update.

Chairman Irvin inquired if the repaving/resurfacing contract had been executed. Mr. Jernigan stated yes.

### **Actions Taken**

Information only, no action required

## **Program Development Update – Andy Lelewski, PE, Director of Program Development**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Mr. Andy Lelewski gave an update on Program Development.

Mr. Travis requested to add dynamic toll pricing to the agenda for an upcoming meeting. Ms. Clayton also added a request to look at variables across the country in other agencies to incorporate in the presentation. Mr. Eden stated it will be added to the next meeting agenda.

Mr. Travis inquired on the timeline of deployment of wrong way driver strips on Triangle Expressway. Mr. Jernigan stated after resurfacing is complete.

### **Actions Taken**

Information only, no action required

## **Toll Technology Update – Manish Chourey, Chief Technology Officer**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Mr. Manish Chourey gave an update on Toll Technology.

Chairman Irvin inquire if the Governor has the authority to waive toll fees during the COVID-19 crisis. Mr. Eden explained during accidents and state of emergencies the authority reverts to Turnpike. The decision was made to waive fees in other NCDOT agencies, Turnpike followed with waiving fees as well.

### **Actions Taken**

Information only/no action required

## **Adjourn – Montell Irvin, PE, Chair**

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### **Discussion Summary**

Chairman Irvin opened the floor for questions. No questions offered.

### **Actions Taken**

A motion to adjourn the April 16, 2020 Operations Committee meeting was approved upon a call for motion from Mr. Travis, moved by Ms. Clayton.

Chairman Irvin declared the meeting adjourned.