

March 21, 2019
Infrastructure Surtax
Advisory Committee
Meeting

The regular meeting of the Okaloosa County Infrastructure Surtax Advisory Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Okaloosa County Administration Building, 1st Floor Training Room. Members present were Ms. Kathleen Sharon, District 3 member (Chairman); Mr. Jim Foreman, District 5 member (Vice Chairman); Mr. Henry Berry, District 1 member; Brig. Gen. (Ret) Robert Buhrow, District 2 member; and Mr. Matthew Turpin, District 4 member. Also present were Hon. Nathan Boyles, District 3 Commissioner; Hon. J. D. Peacock, Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller; Mr. John Hofstad, County Administrator; Ms. Kay Godwin, Deputy County Administrator; Mr. Greg Kisela, Deputy County Administrator; Mr. Jason Autrey, Public Works Director; Mr. Matthew Young, Office of Management & Budget, Mr. Ron Adimov, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Gary Stanford, Director of Treasury & Board Services; Mr. Bob Kellner, HDR Engineering; Mr. Brad Collins, HDR Engineering; and Allysha Stevens, HDR Engineering.

Opening Remarks and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The meeting was opened by Ms. Sharon. Mr. Berry made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes, with a second by Mr. Turpin. The minutes were approved, 5-0.

Public Comments

None

Projects List Update/Funding Discussion

Project List Update: Mr. Autrey explained the new agenda item format with the staff recommendation at the bottom. He also went through the agenda packet and explained the project overview. Ms. Sharon asked if additional line items could be added for proposed or projected projects and projected funding sources for the next year. Mr. Peacock stated that the Clerk's Office is developing a report also. It will have the approved budget authority, the approved projects, etc. It will have a total breakdown to include supplemental funding sources. It will be considered a high level report but it is based on real numbers and not forecasted, therefore it is "after the fact". Mr. Autrey then went through each approved project and status: 6th Avenue Area Stormwater, Beachview Drive Drainage, Commons Drive Signalization, John King Road Intersection Improvements, Redwood Avenue Intersection, Santa Rosa Boulevard Crosswalk, Standish Court Stormwater, Sheriff's Office Training Facility, Southwest Crestview Bypass, and the

Carmel and Beal Intersection Improvements. Ms. Sharon asked that the Requested Motion block of the agenda template be removed. Mr. Autrey stated that it would be removed.

Southwest Crestview Bypass Presentation: Mr. Autrey opened up by saying that this is the single largest project the County will be taking on. He then introduced Mr. Bob Kellner with HDR Engineering, who went through the slide presentation. Mr. Kellner then introduced Allysha Stevens and Brad Collins from his team. He then covered the overall vision for a complete Bypass around the Crestview area. The overall project will consist of 5 phases and the Raspberry Corridor. The first 3 phases were combined and construction is to begin this Summer. The interchange on I-10 will be constructed by FDOT and pushed East of Antioch Road. Mr. Autrey explained that the County went through the NEPA process (National Environmental Protection Act) for the entire project, not by phases. Mr. Kellner stated that Phases 1-3 will be a messy project due to the narrow corridor of P.J. Adams and the utilities already located there that will have to be dealt with. He also stated that Antioch Road will remain and the interchange will be to the east. He then went through the Raspberry Road project, to include projected costs, alternate routes, etc.

Carmel Drive and Beal Parkway Intersection Improvements: Mr. Autrey asked for a motion to approve the identification of \$688,279 of Surtax funds as the 50% County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP) match for improvements to the intersection of Carmel Drive and Beal Parkway. Mr. Buhrow's made the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Foreman. The motion was approved 5-0.

Office of Management & Budget

None

Mr. Peacock stated that he is still working out some of the details of his staff report. The report handed out is a draft version and if anyone has any input to please let him know.

Mr. Turpin asked if there was somewhere to see what the project draws have been. Mr. Peacock said that will be on his report, but the report will be a month behind due to timing of incoming revenue, etc.

Mr. Buhrows asked what the alternate route will be as P.J. Adams is under construction. Mr. Autrey replied that there will always be 2 lanes open, but it will be messy. Citizens will not lose access on P.J. Adams.

Mr. Buhrows asked if there were going to be signs to warn travelers coming from the North, like Route 4 from Baker. Mr. Autrey stated that Public Works can definitely put signage out to notify of the construction.

Public Comments

None.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 10:00 A.M., location TBD.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

(These minutes were transcribed by Grant Dugre)