

# Logan-Union-Champaign regional planning commission

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### RTPO Technical Advisory Committee Monday, June 6, 2022

**Members present**: Louis Agresta, Brad Bodenmiller, Tyler Bumbalough, Michael Kerns for Scott Coleman, Gary Ledford, Heather Martin, Regina Rollins, Melanie Runkel, and Scott Schmid (via phone).

**Absent member:** Michelle Caserta-Bixler, Tam Blakely, Steve McCall, Glen Massie, and Tim Notestine.

**Guests present**: Pat Richards and Heather King (via Zoom).

The Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 9:30 am by Tyler Bumbalough.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions were completed.
- 2. February 28, 2022, Meeting Minutes
  - a. Gary Ledford moved a motion to accept the minutes as written and Tyler Bumbalough seconded. All in favor.
- 3. RTPO Capital Program Updates
  - a. Melanie reported she included a list of all projects, otherwise there's not a lot to report at this time. Some scoping has happened. Logan County project funds moved out. The Urbana trail safety funding, everything is in the early stages.
    - Tyler reported Urbana has accepted a letter of interest on Friday for the bike trail so plans can go into ODOT this year. It's a long process, about 18 months.
- 4. Project Updates
  - a. City of Urbana Miami Street Safety Study
    - Tyler reported he hasn't heard any updates. Louis reported there should be a draft report this week and comments will be submitted.
      Tyler provided information to Gary on this project and Louis provided clarification.
  - b. City of Urbana Gwynne Street Bridge Proposal
    - Tyler reported this has been on their list for a while. It may not be in bad enough shape for bridge funding. They'd like a proposal from Burgess & Niple. Louis stated it's on the Federal Aid list and



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- there was a quote in 2020. We're tracking inline where we should be with planning dollars. Urbana has gotten the lion share of the money for planning.
- Information was given to Michael on how Logan County could do something similar.
- Louis will let them know to proceed on this item as no one disagreed.
- c. Potential Logan County Trail Feasibility Study
  - Brad reported this was discussed at LUC's meeting. Logan County is interested in a feasibility study for a bike trail. They have an infrastructure group. The study would be for a bike trail going towards Indian Lake.
  - Michael reported the bike trail would bridge Bellefontaine and Russells Point. When doing an application they never had data to include. After seeing the St. Paris feasibility study, they thought that same information would be helpful for them.
  - Louis asked about the amount St. Paris received.
  - Brad reported they received less than they wanted.
  - Louis will send out the St. Paris scope so one can be created for Logan County.
  - Both Louis and Tyler stated the applicant has to be an LPA such as the county, village or city. Someone will need to take on the commitment of owning and maintaining the bike trail.
- d. East Lawn Bike Path Connectivity
  - Pat provided information and a map on the request for a study of a trail connector for the park and bike path in Urbana.
  - Tyler suggested that the study should also include alternative routing options with the costs of each option. He also advised that a scope would be needed to get a quote.
  - Discussion happened regarding public meetings, the number of them and when they should happen.
  - Gary asked for clarification on the location.
  - Louis provided information on having public meetings.
  - Scott started he see a negative with having public meetings prior but they'll have to be redone again if pursuing federal money.
  - Pat stated they'd like to have the study completed. She asked questions about the Clean Ohio funds.
- e. Approvals for the bike trail study requests will be completed by email so they can proceed prior to the next meeting.
- 5. FY2023 Planning Work Program



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- a. Louis Agresta reported for this item. They bumped up all amounts by 25% that was originally in the draft. They've had some trouble in the past spending money so having ideas for studies is good.
- b. City of Urbana Traffic Signal Inventory
  - Tyler discussed the funding for this item and Louis said it would be in the next fiscal year. They already have a separate work element. They've put out an RFP for this study. Tyler shared that the lights were installed in 2000 so they're gaining. The city will probably replace the guts.
  - Brad advised that this was discussed at the last meeting, and no one took issue.
  - Louis advised that \$200,000 is in the budget for unknown consultant knowing something would come up.
  - Tyler asked about the cost and if it would be that much for 20 signals.
  - Scott advised that a previous similar study was \$300,000.
  - Louis will work out how to do it.
- 6. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Update
  - a. Regina provided a presentation on the update to the plan.
  - b. Discussion happened appointing a steering committee and Brad suggested the following:
    - TAC members
    - Economic Development (Rich and Ben)
    - A representative from Path Finder's
    - A County representative
    - Indian Lake Chamber representative
  - c. Brad suggested the first steering committee meeting could happen after the next TAC meeting which is August 29.
- 7. Mobility Management and Transit Updates
  - a. There was no representative from Logan County.
  - b. Gary reported on a lunch and learn with local businesses discussion transportation. They want transportation support for their employees, but don't want to invest in it.
    - Louis discussed an initiative from Clark County and suggested Gary reach out to Glen regarding it.

**Adjourn:** Gary Ledford moved a motion to adjourn the RTPO Technical Advisory Committee meeting at 10:50 am and Michael Kerns seconded. All in favor.

**Next Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting is tentatively set for August 20, 2022, at 9:30 am.