

Minutes
Transportation Policy Committee of the Regional Planning Commission
For

Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, and Tangipahoa Parishes

Committee Members:

Officers:

Parish President Matt Jewel, Chairman

Parish President Jaclyn Hotard, 1st Vice Chairwoman

Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng, 2nd Vice Chairwoman **Designee:** Gregory Giangrosso

Parish President Robby Miller, 3rd Vice Chairman

Parish President Guy McInnis, 4th Vice Chairman **Designee:** Jason Stoupa

Mayor LaToya Cantrell, 5th Vice Chairwoman **Designee:** Dan Jatres

Parish President Keith Hinkley, Secretary

Parish President Mike Cooper, Treasurer

Jefferson Parish:

Councilmember At-Large Scott Walker **Designee:** Brian Grenrood

Mayor Michael J. Glaser (Kenner)

Lee Giorgio

Orleans Parish:

Plaquemines Parish:

Council Chair Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr.

Allen Hero

St. Bernard Parish:

Councilmember Wanda Alcon **Designee:** Howard Luna

Ray Lauga, Jr.

Susan Klees

St. Charles Parish:

Councilmember Dick Gibbs

Garret C. Monti

St. John the Baptist Parish:

Councilmember Robert Arcuri

Councilmember Tammy Houston

Raj Pannu

Johnathan Perret

St. Tammany Parish:

Christopher Abadie

Tangipahoa Parish:

Council Chair David Vial

Mayor Bob Zabbia (Ponchatoula)

DOTD:

Secretary Shawn Wilson Designee: Scott Boyle

TPC Members:

Mayor Greg Cromer (Slidell)
Kevin Dolliole (Aviation Director) Designee: Ronaldo R. Nodal
Brandy Christian (Port) **Designee:** Anthony Evett
Mayor Clay Madden
Carlton Dufrechou (GNOEC)
Ninette Barrios (JeT)
Mayor Pete Panepinto (Hammond)

Attendance: 33

Consultants:

Staff: Mr. Jeff Roesel, Mr. Jason Sappington, Ms. Megan Leonard, et al

TPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes
2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
3. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville-Covington Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
4. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
5. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
6. Consideration: New Orleans Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment: 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets
7. Consideration: Mandeville-Covington Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment: 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets
8. Consideration: Slidell Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment: 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets
9. Consideration: Tangipahoa Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment: 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets
10. Consideration: Public Comment Period
11. Consideration: Other Matters

Mr. Jeff Roesel, RPC's Executive Director led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Mr. Jason Sappington, RPC's Deputy Director, a quorum was established.

1. Consideration: Approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes. Mr. Kevin Dolliole made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 minutes, seconded by Mr. Christopher Abadie and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

2. Considerations: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 5 of the meeting packet and a handout for the amendments to the New Orleans TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Parish President Jaclyn Hotard and seconded by

Mr. Allen Hero and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

3. Considerations: Amendment to the Mandeville-Covington Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the Mandeville-Covington TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Mandeville-Covington TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Parish President Mike Cooper and seconded by Parish President Robby Miller and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

4. Considerations: Amendment to the Slidell Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the Slidell TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Slidell TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Mayor Cromer and seconded by Parish President Mike Cooper and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

5. Consideration: Amendment to the Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel informed the board there are no South Tangipahoa TIP amendments at this time and we can move on to the next item.

Mr. Roesel introduced RPC's Senior Transportation Planner, Tom Haysley, to give a brief update on the following items 6-9. Mr. Tom Haysley went over the 2023 Safety Performance Measures on pages 7-10 of the packet. Mr. Tom Haylsey notified the Board of a typo on pages 7-10, the dates should read 2019-2023.

6. Consideration: New Orleans Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 7-9 of the packet for the New Orleans Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets. It was so moved by Mr. Dan Jatres and seconded by Mr. Howard Luna and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Consideration: Mandeville-Covington Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 9 of the packet for the Mandeville-Covington Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Mandeville-Covington Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets. It was so moved by Mr. Christopher Abadie and seconded by Parish President Keith Hinkley and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

**8. Consideration: Slidell Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment
2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets**

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 10 of the packet for the Slidell Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Slidell Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets. It was so moved by Mayor Cromer and seconded by Mr. Christopher Abadie and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

**9. Consideration: Tangipahoa Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment
2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets**

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 10 of the packet for the Tangipahoa Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Tangipahoa Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment 2023 Safety Performance Measure Targets. It was so moved by Mayor Pete Panepinto and seconded by Mayor Bob Zabbia and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

10. Public Comment Period:

Mr. Roesel asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

11. Other Matters:

There being no other matters to discuss, Mr. Jeff Roesel noted the quorum is still established, the Chairman proceeded to the Regional Planning Commission Meeting.

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RPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes
2. Consideration: Committee Reports:
 - (a) Budget and Personnel Committee
 - (b) Other Committee Reports
3. Consideration: Financial Report
 - (a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
 - (b) Monthly Budget Report
4. Presentation: Census 2020 Urban Area Boundary Update
By: Jeff Roesel, RPC Executive Director
Lynn Dupont, RPC Principal Planner, GIS Manager
5. Resolution: Support of the Reinvestment in Shoreline Economies and Ecosystems Act (RISEE)
6. Consideration: Travel Request
7. Consideration: Contract Extensions
8. Consideration: Consultant Billings
9. Consideration: Public Comment Period
10. Consideration: Other Matters

1. Consideration: Approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the January 10, 2023 minutes. Councilmember Robert Acuri made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 minutes, seconded by Ms. Susan Klees and approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

2. Consideration: Committee Reports: - (a) Budget and Personnel Committee** - (b) Other Committee Reports**

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no committee reports at this time.

3. Consideration: Financial Report - (a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities** - (b) Monthly Budget Report**

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 11 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending December 31, 2022. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,581,152.85.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet. It was so moved by Parish President Keith Hinkley and seconded by Council Chair David Vial and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 12 of the meeting packet for the monthly budget report ending December 31, 2022. He explained there were no budget amendments at this time. No motion is needed for this item.

4. Presentation: Census 2020 Urban Area Boundary Update **By: Jeff Roesel, RPC Executive Director** **Lynn Dupont, RPC Principal Planner, GIS Manager**

Mr. Roesel and Ms. Lynn Dupont advised the Board on the 2020 update of Urban Area geographic boundaries and population figures recently promulgated by the US Census. They presented comparative changes from the 2010 geography and 2020 geography for all areas of the region, including the north shore urban areas in St. Tammany and Tangipahoa parishes. They further called attention to what RPC Staff believes to be an apparent discrepancy in the 2020 update wherein the area of the south shore upriver from the Bonnet Carre spillway in St. Charles Parish, including St.

John the Baptist Parish, was excluded from the New Orleans urban area in the 2020 census and reconfigured with the communities of Lutchter and Grammercy in St. James Parish.

For more information on this presentation please contact Mr. Jeff Roesel at jroesel@norpc.org or Ms. Lynn Dupont at ldupont@norpc.org

5. Resolution: Support of the Reinvestment in Shoreline Economics and Ecosystems Act

Chairman, Parish President Matt Jewell referred the members to page 13 of the packet for the Resolution in Support of the Reinvestment in Shoreline Economics and Ecosystems Act.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve Resolution: Support of the Reinvestment in Shoreline Economics and Ecosystems Act. It was so moved by Mr. Dan Jatres seconded by Parish President Jaclyn Hotard and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

6. Consideration: Travel Request

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred members to page 14 of the meeting packet and pointed out 2 travel requests. One for April Higgins, to attend the Police Jury Association of Louisiana, March 8-9, 2023 in Shreveport, LA. Second, for April Higgins, to attend Operation Lifesavers conference, April 2-4, 2023, Seattle, WA.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the travel request. It was so moved by Mayor Bob Zabbia seconded by Ms. Raj Pannu and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to a list of the contract extensions on page 14 of the meeting packet, noting that these are time only no cost extensions.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the contract extensions. It was so moved by Mayor Michael J. Glaser and seconded by Council Chair Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr. and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

8. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 15 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Mr. Jonathan Perret and seconded by Councilmember Tammy Houston and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.

9. Consideration: Public Comment Period

Mr. Roesel asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

10. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there were any other matters. There were none.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was so moved by Councilmember Dick Gibbs and seconded by Council Chair Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr. and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.