

**DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
PLANNING COORDINATING COMMITTEE/
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
October 10, 2008 Meeting Highlights
DVRPC Conference Room, Philadelphia, PA**

1. Call to Order - Chairman's Comments

James Mosca (PennDOT) welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. Deputy Executive Director's Report

Don Shanis (DVRPC) updated the members on the September 25, 2008 Board retreat, and stated that the Board passed all Actions recommended by the RTC. Dr. Shanis stated that the Board accepted the Integrating Land Use, Transportation, and Economic Development Planning (LUTED) set of investments.

3. Report on Regional Citizens Committee Activities

Tom Cooper (RCC) provided information on the RCC meeting held on September 19, 2008. MR. Cooper stated that all Action Items were recommended for approval by the RCC. (Please refer to the September 16, 2008 Meeting Minutes of the DVRPC RCC for specific details.)

ACTION ITEMS

4. Highlights of the Meeting of September 9, 2008

The highlights from the September 9, 2008 meeting of the PCC/RTC were presented for adoption.

Motion: by Catherine Popp-McDonough, seconded by Natasha Goguts to adopt the highlights for the September 9, 2008 PCC/RTC meeting.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

5. DVRPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Actions

Elizabeth Schoonmaker (DVPRC) presented two TIP amendments for consideration.

a. PA09-03: Expressway Service Patrol Program (MPMS #69801), Philadelphia

PennDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2009-2012 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the construction phase by \$7.623 million for the Expressway Service Patrol Program (MPMS #69801). The additional funding will be programmed for the construction phase in FY10 (\$3,993,000) and FY11 (\$3,630,000), acknowledging a toll credit match in order to continue the program and provide service over the next three years at a cost of \$2.75 million per year.

Motion: by Linda Guarini, seconded by Jessica Savidge-Lucas to recommend that the Board modify the FY2009-2012 TIP for Pennsylvania by increasing the construction phase by \$7.623 million for the Expressway Service Patrol Program (MPMS #69801).

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

b. PA09-04: North Broad Streetscape Improvement Project (MPMS #74807), Montgomery County

On behalf of Hatfield Township, PennDOT has requested that DVRPC amend the FY2009-2012 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding a new DEMO project to the TIP, North Broad Streetscape Improvement Project (MPMS #74807), by programming \$100,000 DEMO provided by a SAFETEA-LU Earmark (Fed ID# 3514, PA ID# 516), acknowledging a toll credit match for construction in FY09.

Motion: by Matthew Edmond, seconded by Jessica Savidge-Lucas to recommend that the Board amend the FY2009-2012 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding a new DEMO project to the TIP, North Broad Streetscape Improvement Project (MPMS #74807), by programming \$100,000 DEMO provided by a SAFETEA-LU Earmark (Fed ID# 3514, PA ID# 516), acknowledging a toll credit match for construction in FY09.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

6. Fiscal Year 2009 Planning Work Program Amendment

To respond to the needs of member governments and agencies, work program changes and additions are brought to the PCC/RTC to permit the timely undertaking of technical activity.

a. Installation of Automated Weather Observations Systems (AWOS) at ten General Aviation Airports in New Jersey

Reiner Pelzer (DVPRC) asked the RTC to recommend that the Board modify the Fiscal Year 2009 Work Program by adding the Installation of Automated Weather Observations Systems (AWOS) at ten General Aviation Airports in New Jersey. DVRPC will provide project administration, management, oversight, and consultant

selection and interface services for the project objectives under contract to New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT).

DVRPC will, with NJDOT, develop the RFP for consultant selection; advertise, interview and select the consultant, negotiate with the selected consultant to define the scope of work and budget consistent with NJDOT funding; monitor implementation activities of consultant regarding equipment to be installed, consistency with NJDOT specifications, budget and implementation time schedules; receive and review invoices, and approve payments consistent with work scope accomplishments based on DVRPC field visits to work sites and interviews with airport clients; interface with NJDOT, airports and consultants at all phases of project completion; and submittal of any necessary applications to FAA, FCC or local governments as warranted.

Motion: by Brian Cuccia, seconded by Carol Thomas to recommend that the Board modify the Fiscal Year 2009 Work Program by the adding Installation of Automated Weather Observations Systems (AWOS) at ten General Aviation Airports in New Jersey.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

b. Sustainable Skylines Initiative

DVRPC has received a grant from the US EPA to convene a steering committee to forward the goals of EPA's Sustainable Skyline Initiative in the five Pennsylvania county portions of the DVRPC Region. The goal of the Sustainable Skylines Initiative is to provide a framework to integrate transportation, energy, land use and air quality planning programs into projects that yield quantifiable air quality benefits during the three year grant period.

DVRPC will utilize grant monies to coordinate partnerships and leverage additional funding to implement selected projects and quantify the benefits of these projects for the region's air quality. The total grant award is for \$150,000. DVRPC will utilize approximately \$35,000 for administration and coordination of partners. The remainder of the funds will be used as "seed" money to initiate the selected projects. Sean Greene (DVRPC) requested that the RTC recommend that the Board amend the FY 2009 Work Program to include the Sustainable Skylines Initiative Project.

Motion: by Jessica Savidge-Lucas, seconded by Thomas Shaffer to recommend that the Board amend the FY 2009 Work Program to include the Sustainable Skylines Initiative Project.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

c. Development of a Training Course and Workbook to Educate Municipal Leadership About the Connections Between Energy and Landuse.

DVRPC proposes to develop a course and associated resource materials (e.g., PowerPoint presentation, workbook, etc.) to assist municipalities to incorporate energy sustainability provisions into local land use plans and development regulations. The course will inform participants about the importance of linking

energy planning and smart growth development practices, and will articulate the regulations and emerging issues that should guide incorporation of sustainable energy provisions into local plans, ordinances, codes, and operations. DVRPC seeks \$30,000 to develop the course through a one-time contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). The course will be developed and all resource materials will be delivered seven (7) months after the signing of a contract between DVRPC and DCED. Evangeline Linkous (DVRPC) requested that the RTC recommend that the Board amend the FY 2009 Work Program to include the development of a training course and workbook to educate municipal leadership about the connections between energy and landuse.

Motion: by Catherine Popp-McDonough, seconded by Natasha Goguts to recommend that the Board amend the FY 2009 Work Program to include the development of a training course and workbook to educate municipal leadership about the connections between energy and landuse.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

7. PCC/RTC Meeting Dates for 2009

A set of proposed meeting dates for the PCC/RTC for calendar year 2009 was submitted to the committee for its consideration.

Motion: by Matthew Lawson, seconded by Natasha Goguts to accept the proposed meeting dates for the PCC/RTC for calendar year 2009.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

8. Forecasting 2035 SEPTA Regional Rail Ridership

DVRPC was tasked by SEPTA to forecast 2035 Regional Rail Ridership, parking, and other metrics using the DVRPC Travel Demand Model. K. Jonathan Kugel (DVRPC) described the project, methods used, and presented the forecasts in the context of higher gasoline prices.

9. Broad Street Line extension Feasibility Study

Quentin Krueel (Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation) presented the results of their TCDI-funded study that assessed the land use decisions, ridership, engineering feasibility, preliminary project costs and funding operations of extending SEPTA's Broad Street Line (BSL) to The Navy Yard.

10. Reclaiming Brownfields: A Primer for Municipalities

Evangeline Linkous (DVRPC) presented *Reclaiming Brownfields: A Primer for Municipalities*, which was published by DVRPC in September 2008. This resource provides information about brownfields redevelopment targeted to municipal planners and decision-makers. The primer defines brownfields, identifies benefits and barriers involved in brownfield redevelopment, discussion related issues such as green building

and equitable development, and describes Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and federal brownfields funding and technical assistance resources.

INFORMATION ITEMS

11. FY 10 Transit Support Program and Supportive Regional Highway Planning Program Special Studies

Sarah Oaks (DVRPC) issued the final call for special studies programs and will review the submission evaluation and approval schedules.

12. One Minute Reports

PCC/RTC Members and guests were invited to provide updates on the activities of their agencies.

13. Old Business and New Business

14. Meeting Adjournment

Motion: by Catherine Popp-McDonough, seconded by Matthew Lawson to adjourn the PCC/RTC Meeting.

Motion passed. All votes were cast in favor of the motion.

The next scheduled meeting of the PCC/RTC is Wednesday, November 5, 2008 (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY).

ATTENDANCE**Voting Members**

Bucks County
 Burlington County
 Camden County
 Chester County
 City of Camden
 City of Chester
 City of Trenton
 Delaware County
 Delaware River Port Authority
 DVRPC Regional Citizens Committee
 Delaware Valley Citizens' Transportation Com.
 Gloucester County
 Mercer County
 Montgomery County
 NJ Department of Transportation
 NJ Department of Environmental Protection
 NJ Department of Community Affairs
 New Jersey Transit Corporation
 PA Department of Environmental Protection
 PA Department of Transportation
 PA Governor's Policy Office
 City of Philadelphia – City Planning Commission
 City of Philadelphia – Department of Streets
 City of Philadelphia – Mayor's Office of Transportation
 Southeastern PA Transportation Authority

Non-Voting Members

Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission
 Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force
 Federal Highway Administration - NJ Division
 Federal Highway Administration - PA Division
 Federal Transit Administration - Region III
 Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce
 ITS Technical Task Force
 NJ Turnpike Authority
 New Jersey TMAs
 Pennsylvania Bus Association
 Pennsylvania TMAs
 Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission
 Philadelphia Regional Port Authority
 Pottstown Urban Transit
 South Jersey Port Corporation
 South Jersey Transportation Authority
 US EPA - Region II
 US EPA - Region III

Representative

David Johnson
 Carol Thomas
 Curt Noe
 Natasha Goguts
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 Thomas Shaffer
 Linda Hayes
 Tom Cooper
 Lorraine Brill
 Jessica Savidge-Lucas
 Matthew Lawson
 Matthew Edomnd
 Brian Cuccia
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 Pippa Woods
 (not represented)
 Jim Mosca
 Linda Guarini
 Kenneth Lomax
 Chivas Grannum
 Stephen Buckley
 Catherine Popp-McDonough

Representative

Glenn Reibman
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 Brian Wahler
 William Ragozine
 (not represented)
 Rob Henry
 Don Steele
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 (not represented)
 Martin Kotsch

ATTENDANCE (cont'd)

Other Member Representatives and Guests

Brendan Cotter – Delaware County
Andrea Jordan – City of Philadelphia
Quentin Krueel – PIDC
Kathleen Zubrzycki – SEPTA

DVRPC Staff

Gastonia Anderson
Sean Greene
K. Jonathan Kugel
Evangeline Linkous
Richard Murphy
Sarah Oaks
Reiner Pelzer
Elizabeth Schoonmaker
John Ward
Matthew West