DELAWARE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION PLANNING COORDINATING COMMITTEE/ REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE October 2, 2012 Meeting Highlights DVRPC Conference Room, Philadelphia, PA

1. <u>Call to Order - Chairperson's Comments</u>

Stephen Buckley (Chairperson; City of Philadelphia – Mayor's Office of Transportation) welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. Mr. Buckley introduced Mr. Jeffrey Wilkerson, representing the City of Trenton.

2. Deputy Planning Director's Report

John Ward (DVRPC) stated that at their September 27, 2012 meeting, the Board approved all the Action Items that the RTC recommended including the 2040 population forecasts for all 9 counties

Mr. Ward updated members on the development of FY14 Work Program. He stated that DVRPC has completed a series of outreach meetings with the Counties and Cities to discuss potential project ideas. As part of the Work Program development process, he announced that the Board Work Program Committee will be meeting on Oct 12th.

Mr. Ward stated that the Board Policy Committee met on September 14, 2012 and discussed amendments to DVRPC's By-laws, Board officer selection process, and RTC administration.

Mr. Ward provided information on a series of upcoming meetings, and then provided a brief overview of the recent re-organization of DVRPC staff.

ACTION ITEMS

3. Highlights of the Meeting of September 11, 2012

The highlights from September 11, 2012 meeting of the PCC/RTC were presented for adoption.

Motion: by Matthew Lawson, seconded by Leo Bagley to adopt the highlights for the September 11, 2012 PCC/RTC meeting.

4. DVRPC Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Actions

Elizabeth Schoonmaker (DVRPC) presented four TIP amendments for consideration.

a. <u>PA13-01: Substation Improvement Program (MPMS# 60651), SEPTA –</u> Add a New Project to the TIP

SEPTA has requested an amendment to the FY2013-2016 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding The Wayne Junction Substation, to the Substation Improvement Program (MPMS# 60651), to the four year TIP in the amount of \$25,726,000 (\$12,863,000 TIGER/\$5,131,000 Section 1517/\$3,112,000 Section 1514B/\$104,000 Local in FY13 and \$4,516,000 Section 1517 in FY14). SEPTA has been awarded federal competitive TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) Discretionary Grant funds in the amount of \$12,863,000 and has identified other funds to help complete this important project and advance it from "Later Fiscal Years" to the first four years of the TIP.

b. <u>PA13-02: Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183),</u> <u>SEPTA – Add a New Project to the TIP</u>

SEPTA has requested an amendment to the FY2013-2016 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding the 69th Street Transportation Center West End Terminal Rehabilitation, to the Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183), to the four year TIP in the amount of \$6,250,000 (\$5,000,000 Section 5309C/\$1,210,000 Section 1514B/\$40,000 Local in FY13). SEPTA has been awarded federal competitive FTA Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Livability Initiative funds in the amount of \$5,000,000 and has identified other funds to help complete this project.

Motion: by Tom Shaffer, seconded by Zoe Robertson, to recommend the Board amend the FY2013-2016 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding The Wayne Junction Substation, to the Substation Improvement Program (MPMS# 60651), to the four year TIP in the amount of \$25,726,000 (\$12,863,000 TIGER/\$5,131,000 Section 1517/\$3,112,000 Section 1514B/\$104,000 Local in FY13 and \$4,516,000 Section 1517 in FY14); and to amend the FY2013-2016 TIP for Pennsylvania by adding the 69th Street Transportation Center West End Terminal Rehabilitation, to the Transit and Regional Rail Station Program (MPMS# 77183), to the four year TIP in the amount of \$6,250,000 (\$5,000,000 Section 5309C/\$1,210,000 Section 1514B/\$40,000 Local in FY13).

c. <u>PA13-04: Redistribution of Unobligated Earmark Balances, Various</u> <u>MPMS#'s, Various Counties in Pennsylvania</u>

PennDOT has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2013 – 2016 TIP for Pennsylvania by redistributing unobligated balances of FY2003 – 2006 Appropriation Act Earmarks to the following projects:

Pennsylvania

- \$11,046,797.57 to MPMS# 79686 I-95, Columbia Street to Ann Street (GR1). Funds are made available from PA ID# 251 Delaware River Port Authority – Ben Franklin Bridge, PA (\$3,500,000); PA ID# 259 Logan Square Access and Safety Improvements, Philadelphia, PA (\$2,228.57); PA ID# 263 PCDC Bus-Stop Related Facility Enhancements (\$750,000); PA ID# 272 26th Street Exit-Philadelphia Naval Business Center, PA (\$3,935,713); PA ID# 296 US Route 13 Corridor Redevelopment, PA (\$491,964); PA ID# 297 West Philadelphia Streetscape/Gateway Improvements (\$1,475,892); PA ID# 683 Navy Yard Reconstruction of Broad Street Quay Wall (\$891,000).
- \$308,525 to MPMS# 92526 The Chester City (PA) Waterfront. Funds are made available from PA ID# 269 Streetscape/Roadway Improvements. This action amends the TIP by adding the Chester Waterfront Lighting project (MPMS# 92526) in FY13 with \$308,525 SXF for construction. Chester Waterfront Streetscape project (MPMS# 92526 and 65127) will be obligated and let for construction this fall, prior to the federal deadline.
- \$1,229,910 to FY13 construction phase of MPMS# 46956 North Delaware Avenue Extension. Funds are made available from PA ID# 289 - North Delaware River Road, Pennsylvania.
- \$1,000,000 to FY13 construction phase of MPMS# 80022 US 202, Markley Street Improvements (Section 520). Funds are provided by PA ID# 270 Susquehanna Rd/Limekiln Rd/Norfolk Southern Bridge Project.

This redistribution does not eliminate any active projects.

Motion: by Leo Bagley, seconded by Tom Shaffer, to recommend the Board approve the redistribution of unobligated balances of FY2003 – 2006 Appropriation Act Earmarks to projects identified by PennDOT in Pennsylvania: \$11,046,797.57 to MPMS# 79686; \$308,525 to MPMS# 92526; \$1,229,910 to MPMS# 46956; \$1,000,000 MPMS# 80022.

d. <u>NJ12-38: River Road Improvements, Cramer Hill (DB# D0902),</u> <u>Camden County – Add Final Design Phase</u>

Cooper's Ferry Partnership has requested that DVRPC modify the FY2012 - 2015 TIP for New Jersey by adding a Final Design (FD) phase of \$250,000 DEMO Funds in FY13, and shifting the FY12 Construction (CON) phase (\$4,050,000 DEMO Funds) to FY14. The DEMO Funds are provided by two SAFETEA-LU earmarks (NJ ID# 253 and 268). The full balance of the earmarks is programmed in the FY14 CON phase. The Preliminary Engineering phase (PE) was previously authorized, but its completion has experienced a delay resulting in the need to modify the FY2012 – 2015 New Jersey TIP. NJDOT only authorizes one phase at a time and that phase must be completed before another phase can be authorized. The fund codes located in the 'Before Proposed Action' of this project are HPP10 and HPP20, which are earmarks provided by SAFETEA-LU. Changing the fund code label to DEMO is another way to label those earmarks.

Motion: by Barbara Holcomb, seconded by Matthew Lawson, to recommend the Board modify the FY2012 - 2015 TIP for New Jersey by adding a Final Design (FD) phase of \$250,000 DEMO Funds in FY13, and shifting the FY12 Construction (CON) phase (\$4,050,000 DEMO Funds) to FY14.

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

5. DVRPC Competitive CMAQ Program (2011-2012) Recommended Projects

Sean Greene (DVRPC) presented the list of projects recommended to be funded through the 2011-2012 DVRPC Competitive Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ). These projects must contribute to the attainment of the Clean Air Act standards by reducing emissions from mobile sources. CMAQ funding has been set aside by current Pennsylvania and New Jersey Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs), which is \$8,000,000 for Pennsylvania projects and \$2,700,000 for New Jersey projects.

Motion: by Jessica Savidge-Lucas, seconded by Randy Waltermyer, to recommend the Board approve the list of recommended projects to be funded as part of the DVRPC Competitive CMAQ Program (2011-2012). Further, this action will amend the FY 2013 TIP for PA (FY13-16) to include the list of 16 projects in MPMS #48201 (DVPRC Competitive CMAQ Program) and will amend the FY 2012 TIP for NJ (FY12-15) to include the list of 5 projects in DB #X065 (Local CMAQ Initiatives). Projects will be drawn from the line items at the appropriate time.

6. PCC/RTC Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2013

John Ward (DVRPC) submitted a set of proposed meeting dates for the PCC/RTC for Calendar Year 2013 to the committee for its consideration.

Motion: by Leo Bagley, seconded by Barbara Holcomb, to accept the proposed meeting dates for the PCC/RTC for Calendar Year 2013.

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

PRESENTATION ITEM

7. Accessing the Tidal Delaware: Pennsylvania

Christina Arlt (DVRPC) gave a brief overview of DVRPC's recently completed report, *Accessing the Tidal Delaware: Pennsylvania*. The intent of this study is not to duplicate the endeavors of the numerous high-quality waterfront plans that have come before; rather, it seeks to raise awareness about the existing efforts in Philadelphia, Bucks, and Delaware counties. One of the most interesting findings of the report is that numerous access sites exist along the Delaware River; many simply need better signage, lighting, and minor physical improvements. Furthermore, a marketing campaign could generate more usage than the creation of new access sites.

INFORMATION ITEMS

10. <u>Fiscal Year 2014 Supportive Regional Highway Planning Program (SRHPP) and</u> <u>Transit Support Program (TSP) Final Call for Special Studies</u>

Each year funds are set aside in the SRHPP and TSP programs to fund special limitedduration studies. Sarah Oaks (DVRPC) announced the final call for special study work programs, which are due at 4PM on October 26, 2012.

11. One Minute Reports

PCC/RTC Members and guests provided updates on the activities of their agencies.

12. Old Business and New Business

13. Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30AM.

The next scheduled meeting of the PCC/RTC is Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

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** 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 Transportation Operations 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 **Public Participation Task Force** Public Participation Task Force **Public Participation Task Force**

Representative

Rich Brahler Carol Thomas Andrew Levecchia Randy Waltermyer (not represented) (not represented) Jeffrey Wilkerson Tom Shaffer Barbara Holcomb Jessica Savidge-Lucas Matthew Lawson Leo Bagley Andy Clark (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) James Mosca Linda Guarini (not represented) (not represented) Stephen Buckley Zoe Robertson

<u>Representative</u>

Glenn F. Reibman Kelvin MacKavanagh (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) William Ragozine (not represented) Rob Henry Don Steele (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) (not represented) Martin Kotsch Harry Fox (not represented) (not represented)

ATTENDANCE (cont'd)

Other Member Representatives and Guests

Alex John – Delaware County Planning Department Bill Deguffrey – Chester County Planning Sue Herman - Residents for Regional Traffic Solutions, Inc. Patricia Ellis - City of Philadelphia – Mayor's Office of Transportation and Utilities Nick Rogers – Clean Air Council

DVRPC Staff

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