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MEMORANDUM

To: Kingsport MTPO Executive Board
CC: Subscribed Interested Parties
From: Lesley Christian
Date: August 3, 2026
Subject: MTPO Executive Board Meeting

Please see the attached agenda and supporting documents for the next meeting of the Kingsport MTPO Executive Board, to be held **Thursday, August 13, 2026 at 1:30 PM (ET), in the Kingsport City Hall Montgomery-Watterson Boardroom (415 Broad Street, 3rd floor, Kingsport, Tennessee).**

There are two action items:

- **Minutes from May 14, 2026 Meeting**
- **FY26-29 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2**

In addition to the agenda items listed above, time will be allotted for public comments, project updates, state and federal partner updates, and general information items.

The meeting will be in-person and members of the public are welcome to attend. We also plan to offer live public access to the meeting through a Zoom webinar. Members of the public who are interested in attending remotely should register in advance using this link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2DLOCqYTquOnNlcoShWBw

Executive Board members who are unable to attend may designate a proxy in writing to represent you. A sample proxy letter is attached.



AGENDA

**Kingsport MTPO Executive Board
August 13, 2026 at 1:30 PM
Kingsport City Hall
Montgomery-Watterson Boardroom
415 Broad Street, 3rd floor, Kingsport, TN 37660**

Call to Order - Chairman

1. Attendance Roll Call

Presenter: Lesley Christian

2. Public Comment

Those wishing to make a comment regarding any of the agenda items or any transportation planning issues, activities, and/or projects that pertain to the Kingsport Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization may do so at this time with a five-minute time limitation.

3. Approval of Minutes from May 14, 2026 Meeting (Vote Required)

Presenter: Chairman

4. FY26-29 TIP Amendment - Virginia (Vote Required)

Presenter: Lesley Christian

Item Summary: The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has requested the Kingsport MTPO amend the current TIP to add funds to FY26 for the Maintenance: Preventive Maintenance and System Preservation project grouping. Amendments to the TIP require Executive Board action. With each TIP Amendment, the MTPO is required to self-certify the metropolitan planning process and affirm that we are following all regulations as identified in 23 CFR 450.336.

Recommendation: Self-certify the planning process and approve and adopt the Resolution and Amendment as presented.

5. Long Range Transportation Plan Update

Presenter: Jim Meyer (AECOM)

Item Summary: Update on the status of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

6. TDOT Rural Service Patrol Presentation

Presenter: TDOT

Item Summary: Overview and information about TDOT's Rural Service Patrol that launched in Region 1 at the end of May.

7. Federal & State Partner Updates and Project Updates

Presenter: Lesley Christian (Facilitator)

Item Summary: Updates will be given by our partners at Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Tennessee, and Virginia. Also, updates from our local partners and project updates will be given.

8. Meeting Adjournment

Sample Proxy Letter

Date

I, _____, of _____,
(Print Name) *(Agency)*

Hereby designate _____ to vote as my proxy
(Name of Proxy)

during the _____ meeting of the Kingsport MTPO Executive Board.
(Meeting Date)

Signature

**KINGSPORT METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Minutes for May 14, 2026 Meeting
In-Person Meeting with Optional Live Public Access via Zoom Webinar**

Members Present:

Blake Ailor, Troy Ebbert, Thomas Lawson, Chase Milner, Michael Thompson

Absent:

Luke Meade, Hawkins County/Church Hill/Mount Carmel Representative

Staff Present:

Susan Bowman, Lesley Christian, Candace Sherer

In Person Attendees:

Jimmy Adkins – LENOWISCO PDC
Ann Marie Anway – TDOT
Jason Carder – Mattern & Craig
Calvin Clifton – Mattern & Craig
Christopher Goodwin – Sullivan County Highway Department
Mike James – VDOT
Matt Meservy – TDOT
Samantha Mullins – VDOT
Kristin Qualls – TDOT
Craig Ramey – Sullivan County Highway Department
Ambre Torbett – UT Institute for Public Service Center for Local Planning

Online Attendees:

Kara Greathouse – FHWA-WV
Jim Meyer – AECOM

Recorder: Susan Bowman

- I. **Call to Order:** Vice-Chair Chase Milner called the meeting to order.
- II. **General Information/Attendance Roll Call:**
The meeting was held in-person with optional live public access available via Zoom Webinar. A video/audio recording of the meeting is published online at <https://www.kingsporttn.gov/city-services/kmtpo/meetings-notices/agenda-minutes/>.

Attendance was taken by roll call.
- III. **Public Comment:** Vice-Chair Chase Milner invited members of the public to address comments related to agenda items or transportation planning issues, activities, or projects that pertain to the Kingsport Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization. No comments.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the February 12, 2026 meeting were reviewed. No corrections and/or additions were suggested. A motion was made by Blake Ailor to approve the minutes and was seconded by Michael Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

V. New Business:

- A. FY26 & FY27 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment #1.** Presented by Lesley Christian. One of the primary products MTPO Staff is required to develop is the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The “Work Program” is a comprehensive description of the various goals and/or tasks that will be carried out by MTPO staff and associate members over the next one to two years. It also includes a budget that incorporates funds from various federal agencies, with matching funds from TDOT, VDOT, LENOWISCO PDC, and the City of Kingsport (the cognizant agency for the MTPO). The document is organized in a manner where these tasks or planning functions are detailed in accordance with federal, state, and local standards. The tasks include Program Administration; Travel Data Collection, Maintenance, and Analysis; Short Range Planning; Long Range Planning; Multimodal Planning (bike, pedestrian, transit); and Special Studies. The current UPWP covers two fiscal years and is identified as the FY26 & FY27 UPWP. For Tennessee/TDOT the UPWP is recognized over a two-year period. Virginia/VDOT only recognizes one year at a time so the Virginia portion of the UPWP must be approved annually by the Executive Board. Amendment #1 to the FY26 & FY27 UPWP consists of updates to the FY27 Virginia component. Staff recommend that the Board approve these changes and adopt Amendment #1 to the FY26 & FY27 UPWP. Chase Milner made a motion to approve the Resolution and the FY26 & FY27 Unified Planning Work Program Amendment #1 as presented and was seconded by Troy Ebbert. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. FY26-29 TIP Amendment #1.** Presented by Lesley Christian. Tennessee and Virginia are on different TIP/STIP schedules. Tennessee’s STIP, which is awaiting approval by FHWA/FTA, is for FY26-29. The Virginia STIP, which is nearing completion, is for FY27-30. The Virginia Department of Transportation has requested the Kingsport MTPO amend the FY26-29 TIP to add the Virginia projects. Amendments to the TIP require Executive Board action. In addition, Amendments to the TIP require the MTPO to self-certify the metropolitan planning process and affirm that we are following all regulations as identified in 23 CFR 450.336. Staff recommend the MTPO self-certify the metropolitan planning process and approve and adopt the Resolution and Amendment as presented. A motion was made by Thomas Lawson to self-certify the planning process and approve and adopt the Resolution and the FY26-29 TIP Amendment and was seconded by Troy Ebbert. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. Long Range Transportation Plan Update.** Presented by Jim Meyer with AECOM. Jim Meyer provided an update on the status of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The plan update is an information item. No Board action is required.

VI. FEDERAL & STATE PARTNER UPDATES/PROJECT UPDATES

Updates and information were provided by FHWA, TDOT, VDOT, local transit representatives, and other partners. Project updates were also provided.

VII. ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

**A RESOLUTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF THE KINGSPORT METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
AMENDING THE KINGSPORT AREA FY 2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

TIP AMENDMENT #2

WHEREAS, the Kingsport Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Kingsport urban area in Tennessee and Virginia and is responsible for carrying out a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Kingsport MTPO is responsible for programming funds for transportation projects in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, the Kingsport Area FY 2026-2029 TIP is a document that continually evolves and needs amending; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Board of the Kingsport MTPO wishes to amend the FY 2026-2029 TIP by making the following change as detailed in the attached TIP pages for Amendment #2:

- Add funds to FY26 for the Virginia grouping for Maintenance: Preventive Maintenance and System Preservation; and

WHEREAS, the Kingsport MTPO staff used criteria from Federal Metropolitan Transportation Planning regulations found in 23 CFR 450.316 and 450.326 to ensure compliance, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation, amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program are to receive final approval from the Executive Board of the local Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE KINGSPORT METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION AS FOLLOWS:

The proposed amendment to the Virginia portion of the Kingsport Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program, which shall be known as TIP Amendment #2, is hereby approved as presented.

RESOLUTION APPROVED:

Date: _____

Morris Baker, Chairman
Kingsport MTPO Executive Board

Lesley Christian
Kingsport MTPO Coordinator

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS CERTIFICATION

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.336, the Kingsport Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization and the Virginia Department of Transportation hereby certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is addressing major issues facing the Kingsport, TN-VA urbanized area, and is being carried out in accordance with the following requirements:

- I. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 and 5304 (Highways and Transit).
- II. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000 d-1) and 49 CFR part 21.
- III. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity.
- IV. Section 1101 (b) of the FAST-Act (Pub. L 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT-funded projects.
- V. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts.
- VI. Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38.
- VII. In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d), and 40 CFR part 93.
- VIII. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance.
- IX. Section 324 of Title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender.
- X. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Morris Baker, Chairman
Kingsport MTPO Executive Board

Lesley Christian	Date
Kingsport MTPO Coordinator	

Tabitha Crowder
Bristol District Engineer
Virginia Department of Transportation

Kingsport MPO

Project Groupings

GROUPING		Maintenance : Preventive Maintenance and System Preservation				
PROGRAM NOTE		Funding identified to be obligated districtwide as projects are identified.				
ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$46,747,211
	FUND SOURCE	MATCH	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
CN	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$3,399,122	\$33,522,562	\$0	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$2,441,178	\$7,384,349	\$0	\$0
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$5,840,300	\$40,906,911	\$0	\$0
MPO Note		TIP AMD - add an addit'l \$13,500,000 (NHPP) FFY25				

Federal funds include the use of soft match supported by approved toll credits unless otherwise indicated and/or matching funds are shown in the \"Match\" column. Non-federal fund sources are as noted in the \"Program Note\" and show

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Project Groupings

GROUPING		Maintenance : Preventive Maintenance and System Preservation				
PROGRAM NOTE		Funding identified to be obligated districtwide as projects are identified.				
ROUTE/STREET					TOTAL COST	\$79,247,211
	FUND SOURCE	MATCH	FY24	FY25	FY26	FY27
CN	Federal - NHS/NHPP	\$0	\$3,399,122	\$33,522,562	\$29,000,000	\$0
	Federal - STP/STBG	\$0	\$2,441,178	\$10,884,349	\$0	\$0
CN TOTAL		\$0	\$5,840,300	\$44,406,911	\$29,000,000	\$0
MPO Note		TIP AMD - add an addit'l \$29,000,000 (NHPP) FFY26				

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**TABLE C : Kingsport MPO
FEDERAL FUNDING CATEGORIES
FISCAL CONSTRAINT BY YEAR**

Highway Projects
FFY 2024 - 2027

Fund Source	FFY 2024		FFY 2025		FFY 2026		FFY 2027		TOTAL	
	Projected Obligation Authority	Planned Obligation	Projected Obligation Authority	Planned Obligation	Projected Obligation Authority	Planned Obligation	Projected Obligation Authority	Planned Obligation	Projected Obligation Authority	Planned Obligation
Federal										
HSIP	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$924,190	\$924,190	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,770	\$2,300,770
TAP	\$0	\$0	\$17,483	\$17,483	\$827,446	\$827,446	\$0	\$0	\$844,929	\$844,929
Subtotal -- Federal	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$941,673	\$941,673	\$827,446	\$827,446	\$0	\$0	\$3,145,699	\$3,145,699
Other										
State Match	\$0	\$0	\$4,371	\$4,371	\$206,862	\$206,862	\$0	\$0	\$211,233	\$211,233
Subtotal -- Other	\$0	\$0	\$4,371	\$4,371	\$206,862	\$206,862	\$0	\$0	\$211,233	\$211,233
Total	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$946,044	\$946,044	\$1,034,308	\$1,034,308	\$0	\$0	\$3,356,932	\$3,356,932
Statewide and/or Multiple MPO - Federal (3)										
NHS/NHPP	\$913,491	\$913,491	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$913,491	\$913,491
Subtotal -- Statewide and/or Multiple MPO - Federal (3)	\$913,491	\$913,491	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$913,491	\$913,491
Maintenance - Federal (4)										
HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$2,721,562	\$2,721,562	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,721,562	\$2,721,562
NHFP	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$3,722,024	\$3,722,024
NHS/NHPP	\$7,876,376	\$7,876,376	\$38,023,086	\$38,023,086	\$4,488,889	\$4,488,889	\$4,488,889	\$4,488,889	\$54,877,240	\$54,877,240
STP/STBG	\$9,692,074	\$9,692,074	\$14,663,980	\$14,663,980	\$7,308,853	\$7,308,853	\$7,338,573	\$7,338,573	\$39,003,480	\$39,003,480
Subtotal -- Maintenance - Federal (4)	\$18,498,956	\$18,498,956	\$56,339,134	\$56,339,134	\$12,728,248	\$12,728,248	\$12,757,968	\$12,757,968	\$100,324,306	\$100,324,306

- (1) ACC -- Advance Construction -- Funding included in Federal Category based on year of AC Conversion
- (2) CMAQ/RSTP includes funds for TRANSIT projects
- (3) Statewide and/or Multiple MPO - Federal - Funding to be obligated in Multiple MPO Regions and/or Statewide for projects as identified
- (4) Maintenance Projects - Funding to be obligated for maintenance projects as identified

FFY 24-27 Working STIP

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Federal										
HSIP	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$924,190	\$924,190	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,300,770	\$2,300,770
TAP	\$0	\$0	\$17,483	\$17,483	\$827,446	\$827,446	\$0	\$0	\$844,929	\$844,929
Subtotal -- Federal	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$941,673	\$941,673	\$827,446	\$827,446	\$0	\$0	\$3,145,699	\$3,145,699
Other										
State Match	\$0	\$0	\$4,371	\$4,371	\$206,862	\$206,862	\$0	\$0	\$211,233	\$211,233
Subtotal -- Other	\$0	\$0	\$4,371	\$4,371	\$206,862	\$206,862	\$0	\$0	\$211,233	\$211,233
Total	\$1,376,580	\$1,376,580	\$946,044	\$946,044	\$1,034,308	\$1,034,308	\$0	\$0	\$3,356,932	\$3,356,932
Statewide and/or Multiple MPO - Federal (3)										
NHS/NHPP	\$913,491	\$913,491	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$913,491	\$913,491
Subtotal -- Statewide and/or Multiple MPO - Federal (3)	\$913,491	\$913,491	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$913,491	\$913,491
Maintenance - Federal (4)										
HSIP	\$0	\$0	\$2,721,562	\$2,721,562	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,721,562	\$2,721,562
NHFP	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$930,506	\$3,722,024	\$3,722,024
NHS/NHPP	\$3,399,122	\$3,399,122	\$33,522,562	\$33,522,562	\$29,000,000	\$29,000,000	\$4,488,889	\$4,488,889	\$70,410,573	\$70,410,573
STP/STBG	\$2,441,178	\$2,441,178	\$2,441,178	\$2,441,178	\$10,884,349	\$10,884,349	\$7,338,573	\$7,338,573	\$23,105,278	\$23,105,278
Subtotal -- Maintenance - Federal (4)	\$6,770,806	\$6,770,806	\$39,615,808	\$39,615,808	\$40,814,855	\$40,814,855	\$12,757,968	\$12,757,968	\$99,959,437	\$99,959,437

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PROJECT UPDATES

KINGSPORT/SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Local Projects:

- Greenbelt – West End
- Brickyard Bicycle & Pedestrian Bridge
- Island Road Resurfacing
- Resurfacing Grouping – Kingsport
 - Group #1.01 (Meadowview Pkwy)
 - Group #2 (Clinchfield St, N Eastman Rd)
 - Group #3 (Orebank Rd)

TDOT Projects:

- Fort Robinson Bridge over Dry Creek
- SR-1 (W Stone Dr) bridge over Holston River
- John B Dennis Hwy/SR-93 bridge over CSX RR
- SR-126 (Memorial Boulevard) – Phase I
 - .03 (East Center St to Briarwood Dr)
 - .04 (Briarwood Dr to Cooks Valley Rd)
- SR-126 (Memorial Boulevard) – Phase II
 - .02 (Cooks Valley Road to I-81)
- SR-36 (Fort Henry Drive) – SR-75 to I-81
- SR-347 (Rock Springs Road)
- SR-93 Improvements
 - .03 Sullivan County section
- I-81 ITS Expansion
- SR-36 Resurfacing/Colonial Heights Sidewalks
- SIA

HAWKINS COUNTY:

- Mount Carmel Bike/Ped Path
- Goshen Valley Bridge

VIRGINIA:

- US-23/58 and Hilton Road Intersection (UPC 120637)
- US-23 Access Management (UPC 123666)
- US-23 at Chapel Street Safety and Railroad Crossing Improvement (UPC 123670)
- Gate City – Transportation Alternatives Projects

RECENTLY COMPLETED:

- SR-93 Improvements
 - .02 Washington/Sullivan County section
- Project Smoky
- Resurfacing Grouping – Kingsport
 - Group #1 (Moreland Dr, Fall Creek Rd, Cooks Valley Rd, Netherland Inn Rd – Hawkins County portion)
- John B Dennis Hwy/SR-93 bridge over river
- Main Street Rebuild