

January 14, 2025 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

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Time: 12:30 pm

Place: Regional Transportation Management Center
10 Veterans Boulevard - First Floor Conference Room
New Orleans, Louisiana

Committee Members:

Officers:

Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng, Chairwoman- Jefferson Parish **Designee:** Gregory Giangrosso- Present

Parish President Robby Miller, 1st Vice Chairman- Tangipahoa Parish- Present

Parish President Louis Pomes, 2nd Vice Chairman- St. Bernard Parish **Designee:** John Lane- Present

Mayor LaToya Cantrell, 3rd Vice Chairwoman- Orleans Parish **Designee:** Dan Jatres- Present

Parish President Keith Hinkley, 4th Vice Chairman- Plaquemines Parish- Present

Parish President Mike Cooper, 5th Chairman- St Tammany Parish- Present

Parish President Matt Jewell, Secretary- St. Charles Parish **Designee:** Michael Palamone- Present

Parish President Jaclyn Hotard, Treasurer- St. John The Baptist Parish- Absent

Jefferson Parish:

Councilmember At-Large Scott Walker- Absent

Mayor Tim Baudier- Present

Lee Giorgio- Present

Jack Stumpf- Present

Orleans Parish:

Councilmember At-Large JP Morrell **Designee:** James Baker- Present

Councilmember At-Large Helena Moreno- Absent

Citizen Member- Absent

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Plaquemines Parish:

Council Chair Tyronne Edwards- Present

Councilmember Mark Cognevich **Designee:** Patricia McCarty- Present

Robert Hopkins- Present

Allen Hero- Present

St. Bernard Parish:

Councilmember Josh Moran- Absent

Councilmember Ryan Randall- Present

Susan Klees **Designee:** Deborah Fagan- Present

Joe Montalbano- Absent

St. Charles Parish:

Councilmember Bob Fisher **Designee:** Katina Summers- Present

Councilmember Michelle O'Daniels- Present

Garret C. Monti- Present

Pastor Thomas Hines- Present

St. John the Baptist Parish:

Councilmember Robert Arcuri- Present

Councilmember Tammy Houston- Present

Bonnie Dinvaut- Present

Jonathan Perret- Present

St. Tammany Parish:

Councilmember Jeff Corbin- Present

Councilmember Pat Burke- Present

Chris Masingill- Absent
Christopher Abadie- Absent

Tangipahoa Parish:

Council Chair David Vial- Absent
Mayor Wesley Daniels (Ponchatoula)- Present
Carlo Bruno- Absent
Citizen Member- Absent

DOTD:

Secretary Terrence 'Joe' Donahue **Designee:** Scott Boyle- Present

TPC Members:

Mayor Greg Cromer (Slidell)- Absent
Tomeka Watson Bryant (N.O. Public Belt RR)- Absent
Kevin Dolliole (Aviation Director)- Present
Beth Ann Branch (Port) **Designee:** Anthony Evett- Present
Mayor Clay Madden, (Mandeville)- Present
Lona Hankins (RTA) **Designee:** Dwight Norton- Present
Carlton Dufrechou (GNOEC)- Present
Ninette Barrios (JeT)- Present
Mayor Pete Panepinto (Hammond)- Present
Mayor Mark R. Johnson (Covington) **Designee:** Erin Stair- Present
Renee Amar (LMTA)- Absent

Attendance: 37

Consultants:

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

TPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period
2. Consideration: Approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes
3. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
4. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville/Covington Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
5. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements
6. Consideration: Amendment to the South Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
7. Consideration: Other Matters

Mr. Jeff Roesel, RPC's Executive Director, asked for a moment of silence for the victims of the New Year's Day terrorist attack on Bourbon Street. After the moment of silence, he led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call by Mr. Jason Sappington, RPC's Deputy Director, a quorum was established with Parish President Robby Miller as Chairman.

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

2. Consideration: Approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes. It was so moved by Mayor Pete Panepinto and seconded by Carlton Dufrechou.

There being no objections, this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

3. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to pages 3 and 4 of the meeting packet for the New Orleans TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Councilmember Michelle O'Daniels and seconded by Councilmember Tammy Houston. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

4. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville/Covington Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no Mandeville/Covington TIP amendments this month and we could proceed to the next item.

5. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Transportation Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no Slidell TIP amendments this month and we could proceed to the next item.

6. Consideration: Amendment to the South Tangipahoa Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Element

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 4 of the meeting packet for the South Tangipahoa TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the South Tangipahoa TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Mayor Wesley Daniels and seconded by Mayor Pete Panepinto. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there were any 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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2. Consideration: Approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes
3. Consideration: Committee Reports:
Budget and Personnel Committee
Other Committee Reports
4. Consideration: Financial Report
(a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
(b) Monthly Budget Report
5. Consideration: Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Adams & Reese and RPC for
Calendar Year 2025
6. Consideration: Travel Request
7. Consideration: Contract Extensions
8. Consideration: Consultant Billings
9. Consideration: Other Matters

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period

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

2. Consideration: Approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the December 10, 2024 minutes. It was so moved by Garret Monti and seconded by Mayor Tim Baudier.

There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no committee reports and we could proceed to the next item.

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

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending November 30, 2024. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance in the amount of \$2,183,782.43.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet. It was so moved by Councilmember Ryan Randall and seconded by Robert Hopkins. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 6 of the meeting packet for the monthly budget report ending November 30, 2024. He explained there were no budget amendments at this time. No motion is needed for this item.

5. Consideration: Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Adams & Reese and RPC for Calendar Year 2025

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained the resolution for the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Adams & Reese and RPC for Calendar Year 2025.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Adams & Reese and RPC for Calendar Year 2025. It was so moved by Councilmember Jeff Corbin seconded by Councilmember Tyrone Edwards. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

6. Consideration: Travel Request

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred members to page 7 of the meeting packet for the travel requests for one staff member, Adam Tatar, to attend the National Association of Development Organizations Emerging Leaders Training February 3-6, 2025 in Tallahassee, Florida and the Delta Regional Authority Training February 24-26, 2025 in Memphis, Tennessee and one staff member, Megan Leonard, to attend the Louisiana Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) 2025 Winter Workshop February 12-13, 2025 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

There being no questions, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the travel requests. It was so moved by Allen Hero and seconded by Councilmember Pat Burke. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

7. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Jeff Roesel explained there were no Contract Extensions and we could proceed to the next item.

8. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills beginning on page 8 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions the Chairman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Councilmember Robert Arcuri and seconded by Gregory Giangrosso, with Jonathan Perret abstaining. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairman.

9. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairman asked if there were any other matters.

Allison McGuinness, Attorney General Liz Murrill's Outreach Coordinator, introduced herself to the board.

JT Hannan Regional Director of Southeast Louisiana thanked the board for their support after the terrorist attack on Bourbon Street.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was so moved by Parish President Keith Hinkley and seconded by Parish President Mike Cooper and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairman.