July 8, 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, July 8, 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- 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- Present

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

Jefferson Parish:

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

Mayor Tim Baudier- Absent

Lee Giorgio- Absent

Jack Stumpf- Present

Orleans Parish:

Councilmember At-Large JP Morrell- Absent

Councilmember At-Large Helena Moreno- Absent

Citizen Member- Absent

Citizen Member- Absent

Plaquemines Parish:

Council Chair Tyronne Edwards- Present

Councilmember Mark Cognevich Designee: Patricia McCarty- Present

Robert Hopkins- Present

Allen Hero Designee: Victoria Dillman- 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- Present

Councilmember Michelle O'Daniels- Present

Garret C. Monti- Absent

Pastor Thomas Hines- Present

St. John the Baptist Parish:

Councilmember Robert Arcuri- Present

Councilmember Tammy Houston- Present

Bonnie Dinvaut- Present

Jonathan Perret- Absent

St. Tammany Parish:

Councilmember Jeff Corbin- Present

Councilmember Pat Burke **Designee**: Councilmember Jimmy Strickland- Present

Chris Masingill- Absent Christopher Abadie- Present

Tangipahoa Parish:

Council Chair David Vial- Absent

Mayor Wesley Daniels (Ponchatoula)- Present

Carlo Bruno- Absent Citizen Member- Absent

DOTD:

Secretary Glenn Ledet Designee: Scott Boyle- Present

TPC Members:

Mayor Bill Borchert (Slidell)- Present

Tomeka Watson Bryant (N.O. Public Belt RR)- Absent

Kevin Dolliole (Aviation Director) Designee: Ronaldo Nodal- Present

Beth Ann Branch (Port) Designee: Anthony Evett- Present

Mayor Clay Madden, (Mandeville)- Present

Lona Hankins (RTA)- Absent

Carlton Dufrechou (GNOEC)- Present

Ninette Barrios (JeT)- Present

Mayor Pete Panepinto (Hammond)- Present Mayor Mark R. Johnson (Covington)- Absent

Renee Amar (LMTA)- Absent

Attendance: 34 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 June 10, 2025 minutes

3. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Urban Area Transportation Improvement

Program, Highway & Transit Elements

4. Consideration: Amendment to the Mandeville-Covington Urban Area Transportation

Improvement Program, Highway and Transit Elements

5. Consideration: Amendment to the Slidell Urban Area Transportation Improvement Program,

Highway and Transit Elements

6. Consideration: Amendment to the South Tangipahoa Urban Area Transportation Improvement

Program, Highway & Transit Elements

7. 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: Public Comment Period

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

2. Consideration: Approval of the June 10, 2025 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the June 10, 2025 minutes. It was so moved by Mayor Clay Madden and seconded by Mayor Bill Borchert.

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

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

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

There being no questions, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Anthony Evett and seconded by Jack Stumpf. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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 referred the members to page 4 of the meeting packet for the Slidell TIP, Highway and Transit Elements and provided a brief explanation.

There being no questions, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the Slidell TIP amendments for the Highway and Transit Elements. It was so moved by Parish President Mike Cooper and seconded by Councilmember Jeff Corbin. Parish President Cooper, speaking on behalf of the residents of St. Tammany Parish, the Parish Council, the City of Slidell, and its legislative delegation, urged the RPC, DOTD, and the congressional delegation to prioritize and fund these critical projects to support the health, safety, and welfare of the community. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Transportation Policy Committee members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

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

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

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

7. Consideration: Other Matters

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

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

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RPC Agenda

1. Consideration: Public Comment Period

2. Consideration: Approval of the June 10, 2025 minutes

3. Consideration: Committee Reports:

Budget and Personnel Committee

Other Committee Reports

(a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities

(b) Monthly Budget Report

4. Resolution: Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire

Consideration: Travel Request
 Consideration: Contract Extensions
 Consideration: Consultant Billings
 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 June 10, 2025 minutes

Mr. Jeff Roesel asked the Board for a motion for the approval of the June 10, 2025 minutes. It was so moved by Councilmember Tammy Houston and seconded by Christopher Abadie.

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

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 7 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending May 31, 2025. He indicated that the RPC's Total Assets and Liabilities, and Fund Balance are in the amount of \$2,501,191.12.

There being no questions, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet. It was so moved by Councilmember Robert Arcuri 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 Chairwoman.

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 8 of the meeting packet for the monthly budget report ending May 31, 2025. He explained there were no budget amendments at this time. No motion is needed for this item.

5. Resolution: Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire

Mr. Jeff Roesel referred the members to page 9 for the Resolution for the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. This resolution is per state law, RPC and other governmental entities in Louisiana are required to submit an approved Compliance Questionnaire to our auditor in order for them to conduct their audits of the previous fiscal year. This allows CRI to conduct their audit of the RPC and to report back to the Board.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the Resolution for the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. It was so moved by Councilmember Michelle O'Daniels seconded by Councilmember Tyronne Edwards and approved unanimously by the members of the Regional Planning Commission, as noted by the Chairwoman

6. Consideration: Travel Request

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

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 pages 10-11 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions the Chairwoman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Councilmember Ryan Randall and seconded by Brian Grenrood. There being no objections this item is approved unanimously by the Regional Planning Commission members in attendance, as noted by the Chairwoman.

9. Consideration: Other Matters

The Chairwoman asked if there were any other matters.

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