

Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission (TCRIC)
Meeting Minutes—August 22, 2016
Tuscaloosa County Courthouse Annex Building

Judge McCollum called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Commission Member Attendees: Judge Hardy McCollum, Chair; Mayor Walt Maddox; Jim Page; Senator Gerald Allen; Dara Longgrear; James Brown; Mayor Bobby Herndon

Other Attendees: Alyce Spruell, Nicole Hampton, Ron Davis, Glenda Webb, Robert Spence, David Kemp, Nick Crane, Eddie Pugh, Scott Goldsmith, Jason Morton, Patricia Miller

Alyce Spruell confirmed that the Commission was bound by insurance as of the week of the last meeting.

Meeting minutes from August 2 meeting were approved unanimously after a motion by Bobby Herndon seconded by Gerald Allen.

Spruell discussed the resolutions before the Commission—Res. 16-011, 16-012, 16-013, 16-014, 16-015, 16-016—all of which were presented to the Commission at the Aug. 2 meeting.

RES. 16-011: Resolution Authorizing ALDOT to Incur Preliminary Engineering Costs for Certain Priority Projects

RES. 16-012: Resolution Authorizing the Chair to Act on the Commission's Behalf to Adopt an Agreement with the City of Tuscaloosa to Let Project US-82 Access Management at Hargrove Road

RES. 16-013: Resolution Authorizing the Chair to Act on the Commission's Behalf to Adopt an Agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation to Let Project US-82/SR-215 Bear Creek Cutoff Road Intersection Improvements

RES. 16-014: Resolution Authorizing the Chair to Act on the Commission's Behalf to Adopt an Agreement with the City of Tuscaloosa to Let the Jack Warner-Martin Luther King Blvd. Add Lanes and Road Improvement Project

RES. 16-015: Resolution Authorizing the Chair to Act on the Commission's Behalf to Adopt an Agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation confirming construction costs for Hwy 69 North Projects

- ALDOT has confirmed for Spruell that TCRC can replace the City of Northport and the County but has to do so in writing.

RES. 16-016: Resolution Authorizing the Chair to Act on the Commission's Behalf to Adopt an Agreement with the City of Tuscaloosa to Let the McWright's Ferry Road Project

- Judge McCollum inquired as to the bond issue for the project. Mayor Maddox discussed that the intent is to proceed with funding mechanism, short or long term, once the final agreement between the City and TCRIC is in place.

Commission members expressed a desire to ALDOT to have incentive-based contracts for high traffic areas. ALDOT discussed that these can bump bidding and so there is a level of caution necessary with those.

Discussion surrounding the public affairs outreach of the Commission occurred. ALDOT representatives discussed the Smart Work Zone technology that could assist with real time updates. Mayor Maddox discussed a possible UA partnership to develop a platform app.

Resolutions 16-011, 16-012, 16-013, 16-014, 16-015, and 16-016 were passed after a motion by Gerald Allen seconded by Jim Page. Bobby Herndon abstained from a vote as to Res. 16-014 and 16-016 for conflict of interest purposes.

Spruell reminded the Commission that the deadline for reallocation under the FAST Act is approaching and confirmed that she is continuing to monitor for reallocation of Tuscaloosa project dollars based on the related provision in the TCRIC-ALDOT agreement.

The Commission discussed Friday, September 16 or Monday, September 19 as potential next meeting dates.

Judge McCollum adjourned the meeting at 8:15 a.m.