

Tuscaloosa County Road Improvement Commission (TCRIC)  
Meeting Minutes --- November 22, 2019  
Tuscaloosa County Courthouse Annex

Commission Member Attendees: Judge Rob Robertson-Chair; Mayor Donna Aaron-Vice Chair;  
Rep. Rich Wingo; Jim Page; James Brown

Other Attendees: Bill Poole; Susan Snowden; Richard Rush; Kim Palm; Nicole Hampton; Alyce Spruell; Edward Henderson; Clay Randolph; Tracy Criss; Scott Anders; Steven Polunsky; Dennis Stripling; Mark Nelson; Ron Davis; Jason Morton; Lee Busby; Eddie Pugh; Glenda Webb; Tera Tubbs; Brad Darden; John McWilliams; Kathryn Anderson; Russell Ware; Lee Garrison; Thomas Harris; Zach Wolfe; David Kemp

Judge Robertson called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Meeting minutes from the October meeting were unanimously approved after a motion by Rep. Wingo, seconded by Jim Page.

Kim Palm presented an accounting report. The November deposit from September 2019 sales tax collected was \$850,000, with a current ledger balance of \$7,511,435.57. The November deposit was a 6.99% increase over September 2018. After a motion by Jim Page, seconded by Rep. Wingo, the financial report was accepted and approved. Palm also presented an invoice for the payment of website fees to The Nine, which was approved unanimously after a motion by Rep. Wingo, seconded by Jim Page.

**Res. 20-002: Budget Increase and Reimbursement Request for Hargrove Road:** Tera Tubbs presented a final budget increase for which the Commission had been invoiced in the amount of \$3,806,852.98, as well as an additional overage of \$1,385 for which the City had not yet invoiced the Commission in advance of the meeting for an ADEM permit. **After a motion by Mayor Aaron seconded by Rep. Wingo, the initial reimbursement of \$3,806,852.98 presented in Res. 20-002 was unanimously approved. After an additional motion by Rep. Wingo, seconded by Mayor Aaron, the additional \$1,385 was approved for payment to the City.**

**Res. 20-003: Budget Adoption for FY20:** Jim Page moved to amend the budget resolution to reflect the additional \$1,385 approved by voice vote following the passage of Res. 20-002. Rep. Wingo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. After a motion by Rep. Wingo, seconded by Jim Page, the first amendment to the FY20 budget passed unanimously.

Alyce Spruell reported that the opening for the administrator position closed on November 20. Additional advertisements were published in professional engineering groups. The contracts committee will review applications at its December meeting.

Judge Robertson reviewed the monthly project status report.

Brad Darden from ALDOT then provided project updates.

- 69S/Skyland: In right-of-way acquisition; utility right-of-way was discussed. The City of Tuscaloosa anticipates one year for utility construction. ALDOT will not authorize utility right-of-way acquisition until all construction right-of-way offers have been made. Rep. Wingo requested a separate meeting regarding the critical path on right-of-way and utility right-of-way.
- Lurleen Wallace: Southbound turn lanes anticipated to open next month, as well as 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street N intersections.
- 20/59: Still on time for completion.
- US 11: Another public information meeting is scheduled for Dec. 5, and project is anticipated to let in late 2020.
- US-82 from SR-69 to Rice Mine Road: Expected to let in December.

Rep. Poole inquired about the status of the McWright's Ferry Road Project. City of Tuscaloosa officials stated that the bridge is under design, tract sketches are in progress, and that right-of-way acquisitions were anticipated soon. The project plans are expected to go final in June or July. Letting is anticipated in FY2021.

There was no public comment.

Judge Robertson discussed the meeting scheduled for the month of December. After a motion by Rep. Wingo, second by Mayor Aaron, the Commission voted unanimously to suspend its rules and cancel its December meeting.

Meeting was adjourned.