

MINUTES
STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
600 West Peachtree Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

December 10, 2009

9:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Bill Kuhlke, Jr., Chairman
Roy Herrington
Robert L. Brown, Jr.
Johnny Floyd
Emory McClinton
Brandon Beach
Rudy Bowen
Sidney Ross
Steve Gooch
David Doss
Bobby Parham
Dana Lemon

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sam Wellborn

DOT STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Gerald Ross, Deputy Commissioner/Chief Engineer
Elizabeth Osmon
Kate Pfirman
Sandra Burgess
Earl Mahfuz
Keith Golden

Chairman Bill Kuhlke opened the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Robert Brown gave the invocation.

Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2009 meetings. Roy Herrington made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2009 meetings, seconded by Robert Brown and unanimously approved.*

Genetha Singleton, Program Control Administrator, presented the projects proposed for the January 2010 Letting for approval. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve. Robert Brown made a motion to approve the projects proposed for the January 2010 Letting, seconded by Sidney Ross and unanimously approved.*

Todd Long, Director of Planning, presented the proposed revisions to the Construction Work Program for December 2009 for approval. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve the proposed revisions to Construction Work Program for December 2009. Robert Brown made a motion to approve the proposed revisions to the Construction Work Program for December 2009, seconded by Roy Herrington and unanimously approved.

Todd Long also presented the proposed revisions to the Construction Work Program for January 2010.*

Bob Poole, Jr., Director of Transportation Policy, Reason Foundation, gave a presentation on Managed Lanes Networks – Enhancing Mobility for Metro Atlanta, which included managed lanes projects.*

Todd Long, Director of Planning, gave a presentation on the Managed Lane System Plan, which included a resolution on guidelines to finalize the Managed Lane System Plan. Robert Brown stated that the State Transportation Plan Committee recommended moving forward with the managed lane system plan. There was some discussion regarding the resolution for Managed Lane System Plan. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to waive the 10 Day Rule to approve the following Managed Lane System Plan resolution. Robert Brown made a motion to waive the 10 Day rule to approve the following Managed Lane System Plan resolution, seconded by Roy Herrington and unanimously approved. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve the following Managed Lane System Plan resolution. Robert Brown made a motion to approve the following Managed Lane System Plan resolution, seconded by Roy Herrington and unanimously approved.

Resolution

Whereas, the State Transportation Board's approved Mission Statement is: *"The Georgia Department of Transportation provides a safe, seamless, and sustainable transportation system that supports Georgia's economy and is sensitive to its citizens and environment"*; and

Whereas, the State Transportation Board adopted a resolution dated June 21, 2007 stating:

1. *"All new capacity lanes within limited access corridors in Metro-Atlanta shall be managed; and*
2. *Mobility shall be guaranteed in the managed lane; and*
3. *Lane management relies on eligibility, congestion pricing, and/or*

- accessibility; and*
4. *Within the context of a system-wide plan, each solution will be tailored to individual corridor needs; and*
 5. *Managed Lanes have applicability statewide”*

Whereas, the Department’s Office of Planning was tasked with developing the Metro-Atlanta Managed Lane System Plan; and

Whereas, the Metro-Atlanta Managed Lane System Plan was developed with input from various offices within the Department and developed in accordance with the principles developed by the State Transportation Board and articulated within the June 21, 2007 Board resolution on Managed Lanes; and

Whereas, periodic updates on the progress of the Metro-Atlanta Managed Lane System Plan was provided to the State Transportation Board; and

Whereas, a presentation of the Metro-Atlanta Managed Lane System Plan findings and recommendations was presented to the State Transportation Board on September 17, 2009.

Now, therefore, let it be resolved that the Metro-Atlanta Managed Lane System Plan, developed by the Department’s Office of Planning, be approved by the State Transportation Board as a guide for the Department to use in developing individual Managed Lane projects within Metro-Atlanta.

Adopted this 10th day of December, 2009.

Todd Long also presented the 2010-2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) to the Board for approval based on Senate Bill 200. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve the 2010-2013 STIP. Robert Brown made a motion to approve the 2010-2013 STIP, seconded by Rudy Bowen and unanimously approved.*

Sandra Burgess, General Counsel, gave a legal update, which included civil actions, mediations and ante-litem notices.

Gerald Ross, Chief Engineer/Deputy Commissioner, gave the Commissioner’s monthly report, which included state fund collections; total employment figure ending November 30, 2009; major projects open to traffic; ARRA 2009 stimulus project update.*

Keith Golden, Director of Operations, presented the following Comprehensive Zoning Resolution for approval. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to waive the 10 Day Rule to approve the following Comprehensive Zoning Resolution. Robert Brown made motion to waive the 10 Day Rule to approve the following resolution, seconded by Roy Herrington and unanimously approved. Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to approve the following resolution. Roy Herrington made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Dana Lemon and unanimously approved.

Resolution

WHEREAS, the State Transportation Board did, in regular session on November, 18, 1971 adopt a policy on outdoor advertising; and

WHEREAS, said policy adopted by the State Transportation Board contained a Schedule "A" pertaining to cities and counties in Georgia which maintained comprehensive zoning plans; and

WHEREAS, that State Transportation Board has directed its staff to make necessary recommendations in order that Schedule "A" of the said Outdoor Advertising Policy may be kept current with changing conditions in cities and counties regarding comprehensive zoning plans; and

WHEREAS, the State Transportation Board did, in regular session on December, 18, 1975, adopt a resolution that said that the Board would review all comprehensive zoning plans submitted for initial approval, to ascertain and determine if said zoning plans can be certified for purposes of outdoor advertising consistent with the State and Federal Law or the Federal/State Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has determined that the following recommendation is appropriate regarding comprehensive zoning plans:

<u>CITY/COUNTY</u>	<u>COMPREHENSIVE ZONING</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
Camden County	Amend Comprehensive Zoning Plan	Approve

NOW, THEREFORE, be resolved that the State Transportation Board, in regular session this date does hereby amend Schedule "A" of the Department of Transportation Outdoor Advertising Policy by including the above recommendations.

Resolved this 10th day of December, 2009.

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Brandon Beach gave a report from the Legislative Committee. Brandon Beach stated that he presented the proposed agenda for the Department for the 2010 Legislative Session and distributed the proposed items to the Board for their review and approval, which included transportation funding; alternative delivery methods; multiyear construction agreements and rural transportation coordination. There was some discussion regarding the proposed agenda for the 2010 Legislative Session. Dana Lemon requested that modification to existing legislation regarding SPLOST for funding transportation be discussed at the next Legislative Committee meeting. Brandon Beach made a motion to approve the proposed agenda for 2010 Legislative Session, seconded by Johnny Floyd and unanimously approved.*

Rudy Bowen gave a report from the Administrative Committee. Rudy Bowen stated that Sandra Burgess, General Counsel, gave update on the Board's policy changes and recommendations from the staff. Rudy Bowen also stated that Keith Golden, Director of Operations, and Bobby Adams, Procurement Division, presented the process for the Georgia LOGO Program Request for Qualifications (RFQ), which included the schedule of the process. There was some discussion regarding the Georgia LOGO Program RFP process. David Doss made a motion to approve the proposed RFP process as

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presented from GDOT staff, seconded by Robert Brown and Dana Lemon abstained and the motion passed with 10 yeas.

David Doss gave a report from the Public Private Partnership (P3) Committee. David Doss stated Earl Mahfuz, P3 Program Director, gave an update on results of public comment period on the proposed P3 rules and presented the final P3 guidelines and policies and resolutions.* David Doss also stated that Tim Lowe, Lowe Engineers, gave a presentation on Innovative Uses of GDOT Property, which included communications system use of GDOT property; GDOT property – right-of-way, access and facilities. David Doss also stated the Earl Mahfuz presented information on commercializing Georgia's rest areas.

David Doss also stated that the Committee approved several motions to be brought to the full Board for approval as follows.

David Doss made a motion that the Board tentatively accepts the proposed Rules for submittal to the House and Senate Transportation Committees for approval during the 2010 Legislative Session, as required by SB 200, seconded by Brandon Beach and unanimously approved.

David Doss made a motion that the Board delete chapter 672-17, Public Private Initiative Rules, and Board Policies 2K-1, 2K-2 and 2K-3*, seconded by Robert Brown and unanimously approved. David Doss also stated this motion is contingent upon the adoption for the new P3 rules governing the Public Private Partnership.

David Doss made a motion that the Board directs staff to determine the feasibility of using Georgia DOT Right of Way for above ground and underground infrastructure. Department staff, coordinated through the P3 Division, with support from the Offices of Legal Services, Utilities, Maintenance and Right of Way will make recommendations for moving forward to the P3 Committee of the State Transportation Board on January 20, 2010, seconded by Brandon Beach and unanimously approved.

Robert Brown gave a report from the Statewide Transportation Plan Committee. Robert Brown stated that Todd Long, Director of Planning, presented the 2010-2013 Statewide Transportation Implementation Plan (STIP) to the committee and the Committee approved the 2010-2013 STIP to go to the full Board for approval. Robert Brown also stated that Todd Long presented the final recommended changes to Board policies from the Statewide Transportation Plan committee to taken to the Administrative Committee for approval. Todd Long also gave an update on the Managed Lane System Plan, which included a resolution to be taken to the full Board for approval.

There being no further business, Chairman Kuhlke asked for a motion to adjourn. Johnny Floyd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Roy Herrington and unanimously approved.


Approved:



Bill Kuhlke, Chairman

*Denotes documentation in file.

Respectfully submitted:



Elizabeth Osmon, Board Secretary