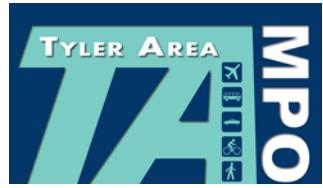**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020**
**REGULAR MEETING, TDC LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM**
**423 W. FERGUSON, TYLER, TEXAS**

**Members Present:**

Michael Howell, Kyle Kingma, Leroy Sparrow, Brian Capps, Brooke Droptini, Jeffrey Harmon, Barham Fulmer, Bill Lewis, and Tom Mullins.

**Others Present:**

Bill Hicks, Halff Associates; Robert Gill, City of Tyler Transit; and James Torres, City of Tyler Transit

**Michael Howell called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Barham Fulmer moved, seconded by Leroy Sparrow, to approve the minutes from November 7, 2019. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**Presentation Items:**

1.  **Updates on work performed to support the 2020 Census**
    Mr. Howell presented the item discussing the various outreach programs that had been utilized for the 2020 Census to get a complete count of Smith County. Mr. Howell noted there had been a "Roses and Weeds" podcast episode as well as an article published in Tyler Today. Mr. Howell additionally encouraged the other members of the TAC to encourage Census participation.

2.  **Report on 2018 Safety Performance**
    Mr. Howell presented the item discussing that the current transportation bill, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act requires states and MPOs to adopt targets to benchmark and examine success. Mr. Howell noted that the 2018 data had just come in and they were in the process of analyzing it. Mr. Howell stated that the overall fatalities increased due to a growing population, however the overall percentage of rate of fatalities had been decreasing.

    Mr. Kingma asked if they had received data on the number of fatalities based on the number of miles driven per car. Mr. Howell replied that the data regarding vehicle miles traveled had not been shared with MPOs and said that he would try to obtain that information.

**Action Items:**

1.  **Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt 2020 Safety Targets established by TxDOT**
    Mr. Howell presented the item stating that the FAST Act requires states and MPOs to adopt targets to benchmark and examine success. He stated that TxDOT had adopted statewide targets and recommended that the MPO adopt the state targets.

Mr. Kingma asked if the MPO could adopt its own targets.

Mr. Harmon noted that all MPO's have adopted the State's goals and if the Technical Policy Committee wanted to adopt different goals they would need a reason for why they were adopting different goals.

Staff recommended the Technical Advisory Committee recommend adoption of the State Targets for the 2020 Safety Targets established by TxDOT.

Mr. Mullins moved, seconded by Mr. Kingma to adopt 2020 Safety Targets established by TxDOT. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2. **Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt 2020 Transit Asset Management Performance Targets established by Tyler Transit**
   Mr. Gill presented the item discussing the 2020 Transit Asset Management Performance Targets. Mr. Gill discussed the inventory of capital-assets and noted the useful and current years of the assets. Mr. Gill also discussed investment prioritization to allow for the equipment and vehicles used by Tyler Transit to better meet the useful life expectancy.

   Staff recommended the Technical Advisory Committee recommend adoption of the 2020 Transit Asset Management Performance Targets established by Tyler Transit.

   Mr. Sparrow moved, seconded by Mr. Harmon to recommend adoption of the 2020 Transit Asset Management Performance Targets established by Tyler Transit. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

3. **Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt amendments to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)**
   Mr. Howell presented the item discussing that this was proposing updates to the numbers in the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). MPO's adopted performance targets must be listed in the TIP and the amendment was to include the 2020 safety and TAM targets.

   Staff recommend the Technical Advisory Committee recommend adoption of the amendments to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

   Ms. Droptini moved, seconded by Mr. Kingma to recommend to adopt the amendments to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

**Staff Updates:**

1. **MPO Executive Director's Report**
   Mr. Howell discussed the importance of obtaining a Complete Count for the Census 2020 and urged Board Members to continue encouraging people to participate in the Census 2020.

2. **Upcoming Meeting Dates**

Mr. Howell provided notice of the upcoming Policy Committee Meeting on January 23, 2020 and the next Technical Advisory Committee meeting scheduled on March 5, 2020.
**The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.**