

**MEETING MINUTES**

Spokane Regional Transportation Council  
Transportation Technical Committee  
November 15, 2006  
SRTC Office - Intermodal Center - Third Floor  
Spokane, Washington

**1. Call to Order.**

Tom Arnold, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:37 pm.

**2. Roll Call/Record of Attendance.**

Tom Arnold.....	City of Spokane
Bob Brueggeman .....	Spokane County
Mike Frucci.....	WSDOT
Mike Gribner.....	WSDOT
Roger Krieger .....	City of Deer Park
John Mercer .....	City of Spokane
Katherine Miller .....	City of Spokane
Inga Note.....	City of Spokane Valley
Harold White .....	WSDOT
Steve Worley.....	City of Spokane Valley

**Guests/Alternates.**

Joe Southwell.....	SCAPCA
Todd Ableman .....	City of Cheney
Bob Turner .....	City of Spokane
Doug Smith .....	City of Liberty Lake

**Staff.**

Glenn Miles .....	Transportation Manager
Ed Hayes.....	Sr. Transportation Planner
Val Melvin.....	SRTMC Traffic Engineer
Staci Lehman .....	Public Ed/Information Coord.
Judy Hazard .....	Administrative Assistant

**3. Approval of October Meeting Minutes.**

**Steve Worley made a motion to approve the October 18, 2006 meeting minutes. Harold White seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.**

**4. Old Business.**

**a) 2006 Call for Projects**

The TTC members received the STP and CMAQ projects ranked by SRTC staff. The TTC discussed the projects, made some changes and came to the decisions described in the motions that follow.

The entire list of projects was advertised in legal notices in the newspaper and was open for a 30-day public comment period. Two comments were received. One comment was about 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Havana to Park) – They were not interested in having this road approved. The second comment was a packet of information regarding all the Bigelow Gulch projects not in support of funding at this time until such time as the environmental document is approved.

The members discussed their desires as to the \$500,000 contingency funds, which is not a part of this program but is available for construction overruns. It was agreed that depending on the funding category and/or project, any additional flex funds would be either placed into the contingency funds or partially fund the next priority project based on the decision of the group.

**Roger Krieger made a motion to recommend the following Preliminary Engineering (PE) projects be forwarded to the SRTC Board for approval. Mr. John Mercer seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.**

**URBAN PROJECTS**

City of Spokane	Havana Street: Trent & Mission Intersection Study
City of Spokane Valley	Park Rd. Reconstruction #2; Broadway and Indiana
City of Spokane Valley	Sullivan Rd. Reconstruction; Wellesley to Kiernan
City of Spokane	Hatch Road Study; 57th to Hangman Bridge
Spokane County	Harvard Road - Euclid Avenue to SR 290

**RURAL PROJECT**

Spokane County	Bigelow Gulch Road - Project #4 - Old Argonne; Havana to Forker
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**Steve Worley made a motion to recommend the following Congestion/Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) projects be forwarded to the SRTC Board for approval.**

**URBAN PROJECTS**

WSDOT	SRTMC Staffing
WSDOT	SRTMC System Upgrades
City of Spokane Valley	Signal Controller Upgrades
City of Spokane	Division St. DMS (Dynamic Message Sign) Deployment; Spokane River-NCL
City of Spokane	Francis Ave., Division St. to W City Limits ITS Devl & Comm. Infrastructure
City of Spokane Valley	Appleway/Sprague/Dishman-Mica ITS Improvements
City of Spokane Valley	Pines (SR27) ITS Improvements
Spokane County	Planning & Implement of Growth & Transportation Efficiency Centers
WSDOT	I-90 Geiger I/C to WSP District Office ITS
WSDOT	LED & Diesel Retrofits for Transportation Vehicles
WSDOT	I-90 East ITS Communications Backbone; Sullivan Rd to Vic. Idaho State Line
WSDOT *	US 195 Congestion & Safety Management ITS; Cheney-Spokane Rd to I-90

**RURAL PROJECT**

City of Spokane Valley	Argonne Road Corridor Upgrade
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\* This project is to be partially funded.

**Mr. Worley also recommended that all SRTMC projects will be taken off the top of CMAQ funding and not compete for funds with the remainder of the projects.**

**Roger Krieger seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.**

**Steve Worley made a motion to recommend the following STP Urban and Rural Preservation projects be forwarded to the SRTC Board for approval.**

**URBAN PROJECTS**

- City of Spokane Valley Sullivan Rd. PCC Rehabilitation; Mission Ave. and I-90 EB Ramps
- City of Spokane Valley Sullivan/Sprague PCC Intersection
- City of Spokane Valley Broadway Ave. Rehabilitation Proj. #2; Fancher Rd and Thierman Rd.
- City of Spokane Valley Broadway/Fancher PCC Intersection
- City of Spokane Valley Broadway Ave. Rehabilitation Proj. #1; I-90 EB/Off Ramp and Park Rd.

**RURAL PROJECTS**

- Spokane County Trails Road Overlay; Hayford Rd to Aubrey L White Parkway
- Deer Park Crawford Ave. Pres.; Forest Ave. to Main St.

**Bob Brueggeman seconded the motion, which was approved with John Mercer and Katherine Miller voting no.**

**Roger Krieger made a motion to recommend the following STP Urban and Rural Improvement projects be forwarded to the SRTC Board for approval. Harold White seconded this motion, which was unanimously approved.**

**URBAN PROJECTS**

- City of Spokane Valley Appleway Ave Reconstruction-Phase 2; Barker Rd to Hodges
- City of Spokane Five Mile Road Ash St. to Lincoln Rd.
- Millwood Argonne Road Rebuild; Frederick to South Riverway
- City of Spokane Spokane Falls Blvd., Washington to Browne
- City of Spokane Valley \* Barker Rd. Reconstruction; Appleway to Broadway

**RURAL PROJECTS**

- Spokane County Bigelow Gulch/Forker Road - Proj. #2; Urban Boundary to E Weile
- Deer Park Crawford Ave. Phase V; Forest Ave. to 200' past Airport Rd.

\* Any funds remaining after other projects in this category are funded will be allocated to this project.

## **b) Street Standards**

Several documents have been distributed to the TTC:

- Draft typical roadway cross-section for an urban local access street, minimum standards
- Draft cost comparison of typical roadway sections for local access streets, two-lane minor arterials, and private streets
- Draft typical roadway cross-section for a two-lane minor arterial, minimum standards
- Draft typical roadway cross-section for private streets, minimum standards

Val Melvin gave an update of the last meeting of the Street Standards sub-committee. They are suggesting the TTC recommend to the SRTC Board that the standards of the jurisdiction assigned to the Joint Planning Area (sewer, water, private roads, etc.) be adopted. Per the Spokane County Comprehensive Plan, Joint Planning Areas are “areas designated as Urban Growth Areas assigned to a city or town for future urban development but located in the unincorporated county where a coordinated planning process between the cities, towns and the County will be conducted”.

**Katherine Miller made a motion that the following recommendation be forwarded on to the SRTC Board. Developments within a Joint Planning Area would follow the code of the jurisdiction assigned to that Joint Planning Area. Any areas that are multi-jurisdictional can be worked out with an interlocal agreement.**

**John Mercer seconded the motion, which was approved with Bob Brueggeman and Bill Hemmings voting no.**

## **c) Concurrency Update**

The TTC members were provided the following memos from Bucher, Willis & Ratliff:

- Technical Memorandum #5 – Political and Socio-economic Assessment
- Technical Memorandum #6 – Technical Aspects of a Regional Concurrency Review Process
- Technical Memorandum #7 – Criteria For Identifying Regional Transportation Facilities
- Technical Memorandum #8 – Interviews with Stakeholders

Ed Hayes gave an overview of these memos. He indicated a final draft report should be received by SRTC next week. It is anticipated the final results of the study will be brought to the SRTC Board at their December meeting with a recommendation from the TTC.

## **5. Technical Member Comments.**

Joe Southwell reported the Environment Protection Agency (EPA) has indicated that new PM 2.5 standards will become effective December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Doug Smith, Public Works Director, Liberty Lake introduced himself to the members.

Bob Brueggeman said the County is still working on several of their projects.

Steve Worley stated the next public workshop on the Sprague/Appleway Revitalization Plan will be held November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Glenn Miles reminded the members that election of officers will take place at the December TTC meeting. Mr. Miles also advised that the new senator from the 6<sup>th</sup> District, Chris Marr, has asked to be put on the Senate Transportation Committee.

## **6. New Business.**

No new business was presented at this time.

## **7. Adjournment.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 pm.

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JUDY HAZARD  
Recording Secretary