

Policy Board Meeting
Monday, July 28, 2008 - 11:00 A.M.
Vineland City Hall - City Council Caucus Room, First Floor
Seventh and Wood Streets

AGENDA

- a. Flag Salute, Open Public Meetings Law Announcement
- b. Roll Call
- c. Approval of Minutes: [March 17, 2008](#)
- d. Communications
- e. Report of the Technical Advisory Committee – Robert Brewer, Chairman
- f. Chairman's Remarks
- g. Report of the Executive Director - Timothy G. Chelius
- h. South Jersey Traffic Safety Alliance Report - Teresa Thomas
- i. New Business
 1. [Resolution 0807-14](#): Adopting the [SJTPO 2035 Regional Transportation Plan](#)
 2. [Resolution 0807-15](#): Approving the SJTPO FY 2009-2012 STP-SJ [Local Lead Program](#)
 3. [Resolution 0807-16](#): Approving the FY 2009 Local [CMAQ Project List](#)
 4. [Resolution 0807-17](#): Adopting the SJTPO [FY2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program](#)
 5. [Resolution 0807-18](#): Self Certifying the SJTPO Transportation Planning Process
 6. [Resolution 0807-19](#): Approving an Amendment of Subcontract Agreement for the Commissioner's Pike Phase IV Scoping Project
 7. [Resolution 0807-20](#): Approving Consultant Selection for the FY 2009 Road Safety Audit Project Development
 8. [Resolution 0807-21](#): Requesting that the South Jersey Transportation Authority Accept Funds for South Jersey Travel Demand Model Peer Review
 9. [Resolution 0807-22](#): Recognizing the Services of Perry D. Barse
 10. NJDOT Updates: Shore Connection Projects, Beesley's Point Bridge , NJ Route 52 Project
- j. Public Comment
- k. Adjournment

SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Policy Board Meeting

Phone Conference

Monday, March 17, 2008 - 11:00 A.M.

SJTPO Conference Room, 782 S. Brewster Rd. , Unit B-6, Vineland

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. by Executive Director Timothy Chelius, followed by the flag salute. Mr. Chelius then advised that the requirements of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act were met through 48-Hour Notice on March 11, 2008 to The Press of Atlantic City, The Bridgeton Evening News, The Daily Journal, Today's Sunbeam, and to the Clerks of the four member counties. Also, the Notice was posted on the designated bulletin board in Vineland City Hall. Attendance of members was then taken by roll call:

ATTENDANCE:

Members:

Daniel Beyel, Cape May County
Thomas Russo, Atlantic County
Douglas Rainear, Cumberland County
Charles Sullivan, Salem County
Scott Evans, Atlantic City (Not Present)
Jeffrey Ridgway, Pittsgrove Township
Leonard Desiderio, Sea Isle City
Perry Barse, City of Vineland
Thomas Wospil, NJDOT (Representing David Kuhn)
James Schwarzwaldler, NJ Transit (Representing Pippa Woods)
Kathleen Aufschneider, SJTA

Also in attendance:

James Pierson,, Angelini, Viniar & Freedman
Sonia Frontera, Governor's Office
John Peterson , Atlantic County
Robert Brewer, Cumberland County
Jerry Mooney, NJDOT
Brian Wahler, NJ Turnpike Authority
Timothy Chelius, SJTPO
Monica LoGuidice, SJTPO
John Petersack, SJTPO
Michael Reeves, SJTPO_

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 28, 2008

On Motion by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Committeeman Ridgway, the minutes of January 28, 2008 were approved by roll call vote with an abstention from Freeholder Rainear.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Robert Brewer reported that at the March 3, 2008 meeting, which John Peterson chaired, TAC recommended Board approval of the following scheduled action items and Mr. Peterson concurred.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Beyel wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Executive Director Chelius reviewed the summary of priority state roads that are near schools and lack sidewalks. Mr. Chelius stated that the summary has been submitted to NJDOT who can hopefully install some of the high-priority sidewalks.

SOUTH JERSEY TRAFFIC SAFETY ALLIANCE

Executive Director Chelius reported that Teresa Thomas was vacationing and that she will distribute a brief summary of the Alliances' accomplishments for mailout. He also reported that the Alliance reorganized and elected Sgt. Charley Simonson of the Ocean City PD as Chairman and Lt. John Bieniakowski of Galloway Township PD as Vice Chairman.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution 0803-07: Adopting the FY 2009 Unified Planning Work Program

On Motion by Freeholder Rainear and seconded by Mayor Desiderio, Resolution 0803-07 was opened for discussion. Executive Director Chelius reviewed the summary pages included in the Board mailout explaining that SJTPO will continue to focus its efforts on safety and system maintenance. He then reviewed the breakdown of all programs and noted that SJTPO will be employing four part-time individuals, which will be a cost effective approach.

With no further comment, Resolution 0803-07 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

2. Resolution 0803-08: Approving an Amendment of Subcontract Agreement and Contract Modification to the Federal Aid Agreement for the Mill Creek Upper Thorofare Middle Thorfare Bridges Scoping Project

On Motion by Committeeman Ridgway and seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, Resolution 0803-08 was opened for discussion. Executive Director Chelius explained that due to the complexity of the projects described in the next three resolutions, additional time is needed for completion. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-08 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

3. Resolution 0803-09: Approving an Amendment of Subcontract Agreement and Contract Modification to the Federal Aid Agreement for the Sherman Avenue (CR 552) Boulevards Design Project

On Motion by Freeholder Rainear and seconded by Vice-Chairman Russo, Resolution 0803-09 was opened for discussion. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-09 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

4. Resolution 0803-10: Approving an Amendment of Subcontract Agreement and Contract Modification to the Federal aid Agreement for the Buckshutem Road Bridge Design Project

On Motion by Freeholder Sullivan and seconded by Freeholder Rainear, Resolution 0803-10 was opened for discussion. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-10 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

5. Resolution 0803-11: Approving Consultant Selection of the Almond Road Design Project

On Motion by Committeeman Ridgway and seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, Resolution 0803-11 was opened for discussion. Executive Director Chelius explained that this project is included in the FY 2008 Transportation Improvement Program. The consultant will prepare the necessary construction plans and specifications and cost estimates as may be required for the resurfacing and safety improvement of 3.5 miles of Almond Road in Salem County . The Notice of Availability was sent to approximately 140 firms, with twelve proposals received.

The Consultant Selection Committee consisting of Salem County and SJTPO recommend the selection of Urban Engineers, Inc. in association with advanced Infrastructure Design, Inc. and GEOD Engineering, Corp. for a total cost of \$364,293.00, with a 13.0% DBE. On question by Thomas Wospil, Mr. Chelius confirmed that the contract cost complies with the budget set in the SJTPO TIP. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-11 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

6. Resolution 0803-12: Endorsing the Ranking of Applications for the Round 9 Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Competitive Grant Program

On Motion by Freeholder Rainear and seconded by Mayor Desiderio, Resolution 0803-12 was opened for discussion. Executive Director Chelius explained that this process involves ranking applications that are received for JARC funding for special transportation services in the SJTPO region. Mr. Chelius stated that the committee consisted of SJTA, NJ Transit, Department of Human Services, Cumberland County, Atlantic County, and SJTPO, and he then reviewed the rankings as follows:

In the urban area:

1. Atlantic County Department of Human Services; and
2. SJTA – Marina Shuttle

In the non-urban area:

1. Cumberland County Improvement Authority
2. Salem County Interagency Council
3. Pearl Transit
4. Atlantic County Department of Human Services

Michael Reeves emphasized that the summary included in the mailout is basically the Committee's recommendation to NJ Transit, further explaining that NJ Transit does the final negotiating and determination in ranking. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-12 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

7. Resolution 0803-13: Endorsing a Highway Safety Project Grant from the N.J. Division of Highway Traffic Safety for the South Jersey Traffic Safety Alliance

On Motion by Mayor Desiderio and seconded by Mayor Barse, Resolution 0803-13 was opened for discussion. Executive Director Chelius explained that this resolution supports a total of \$78,100.00 to continue the Alliance's safety efforts and programs, which will begin October 1, 2008. With no further comment, Resolution 0803-13 was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

NJDOT Update: Jerry Mooney, NJDOT – Bureau of Statewide Planning

Shore Connection Projects: Jerry Mooney reported on the following intersections:

Rt. 49/55 Interchange: Mr. Mooney reported that changes were made to the project schedule including preliminary design submission expected by August 2008, with advertising in January 2010, and anticipated construction to start in March 2010.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

On Motion by Vice Chairman Russo and seconded by Freeholder Sullivan, the Policy Board appointed Monica LoGuidice as acting Secretary in lieu of Freeholder Sullivan to sign resolutions. With no further comment, the motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

On Motion by Mayor Desiderio and seconded by Committeeman Ridgway, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Approved Minutes Certified Correct:

Charles R. Sullivan/mal

Monica LoGuidice for
Charles R. Sullivan, Secretary/Treasurer

SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-14: Adopting the SJTPO FY 2035 Regional Transportation Plan

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, MPOs are responsible for the development of a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 450.322; and

WHEREAS, the RTP guides SJTPO planning activities and investment decisions over the long term to help achieve an intermodal transportation system that facilitates the efficient movement of people and goods; and

WHEREAS, the transportation plans and programs developed by the SJTPO are required to conform to the purposes of the State Implementation Plan for air quality control and the Clean Air Act ; and

WHEREAS, a Conformity Demonstration has been completed; this shows that the RTP Update meets the current emissions budgets that are in effect.

WHEREAS, the Conformity Demonstration is incorporated into the final 2035 RTP Update; and

WHEREAS, citizens, private transportation providers and all interested parties have now had an opportunity to participate and have their views considered in the development of the RTP Update and it's Conformity Demonstration; and

WHEREAS, a summary of the significant comments and SJTPO responses is attached and will be made a part of the Final 2035 RTP Update; and

WHEREAS, an Interagency Consultation process has been conducted on the RTP and it's Conformity Demonstration as required; and

WHEREAS, the 2035 RTP Update is fully consistent with federal planning regulations and guiding the metropolitan planning process

WHEREAS, the current SJTPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is consistent with the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan Update such that the regional emissions analysis already performed for the plan applies to the TIP also, as documented the Plan Update;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby finally adopts the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan Update which includes the attached Air Quality Conformity Demonstration, effective when the new Rate of Progress State Implementation Plan budgets become effective; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Policy Board authorizes staff to include minor revisions in the Regional Transportation Plan and the Conformity Demonstration as may be necessary to carry out their purposes or respond to Federal comments, with subsequent notice to the Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct and true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization at its meeting of July 28, 2008.

Charles R. Sullivan/mal

Monica LoGuidice for

Charles R. Sullivan, Secretary/Treasurer

SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-15: Approving the SJTPO FY 2009-2012 STP-SJ Local Lead Program

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, MPO's are responsible for developing a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that sets forth the capital expenditures for at least four years, as required by the Federal Metropolitan Planning Rule (23 CFR 450C and 49 CFR 613C); and

WHEREAS, SJTPO prioritizes and selects the Local Lead projects to be funded with its allocation of federal Surface Transportation Program funds (STP-SJ); and

WHEREAS, the projects in the unconstrained FY 2009-2012 STP-SJ Local Lead Project Pool have been evaluated resulting in the attached program of projects for the available \$9.9 million per year; and

WHEREAS, this FY 2009-2012 ranking of the Pool reflects the priorities of the region for development of the FY 2009-2012 TIP, subject to the normal public involvement process after the draft TIP is prepared;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby endorses the attached FY 2009-2012 STP-SJ Local Lead Program._

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SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-16: Approving the FY 2009 Local CMAQ Project List

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under Federal Law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, the SJTPO will formally adopt the FY 2009-2012 TIP on July 28, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) is administered by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration; and

WHEREAS, \$1.9 M of CMAQ funding is allocated to SJTPO for FY 2009; and

WHEREAS, the following projects will be funded under this ranking: Bio-Diesel Vehicle Purchase, Atlantic County; Bio-Diesel Bus Purchase, Cape May County; Millville Shuttle, Cumberland County; A.C. Marina Casino Shuttle, SJTA; Rio Grande Avenue Signal Synchronization, Cape May County; and 34th Street Signal Synchronization, Cape May County; and

WHEREAS, the SJTPO Technical Advisory Committee reviewed the proposals for FY 2009 CMAQ funding as indicated on the attached chart.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby adopts the FY 2009 CMAQ Project List to receive FY 2009 CMAQ funding through the FY 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program.

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SJTPO FY 2009 CMAQ PROJECTS

7/17/2008

| Sponsor | Project | Cost | Cumulative Cost | Multi - Year CMAQ Total |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Atlantic Co | Bus Purchase (X) | \$600,000 | \$600,000 | |
| Cape May Co. | Bus Purchase (3) | \$210,000 | \$810,000 | |
| Cape May Co. | 34th Street Signal Synch | \$316,820 | \$1,126,820 | |
| Cape May Co. | Rio Grande Ave Signal Synch | \$464,843 | \$1,591,663 | |
| Cumberland Co. | Millville Shuttle & Connector | \$179,389 | \$1,771,052 | \$369,449 |
| SJTA | AC Marina Casino Shuttle | \$128,000 | \$1,899,052 | |

Available: \$1,900,000

INELIGIBLE per FHWA

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|---------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Atlantic City | Traffic Signal System Mod | \$400,000 | \$2,171,052 | \$5,400,000 |
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SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-19: Approving an Amendment of Subcontract Agreement for the Commissioner's Pike Phase IV Scoping Project

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, Federal Highway Administration Surface Transportation Program funding has been authorized for this project, and on March 13, 2008, the SJTPO Policy Board approved the selection of Urban Engineers as prime consultants; and

WHEREAS, delays in executing the new Federal Aid agreement promulgated by NJDOT to replace the former Task Order Agreements require a new contract termination date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby approves a contract amendment to extend the termination date from June 30, 2008 to September 18, 2010 for this project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this modification will not be executed without the formal concurrence of the NJDOT; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Policy Board requests that the South Jersey Transportation Authority execute the appropriate contractual arrangements with the consultant on behalf of the SJTPO.

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SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-20: Approving the Selection of Orth Rodgers & Associates, Inc. as Consultant for the FY 2009 Road Safety Audit Project Development

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under Federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2009 SJTPPO Unified Planning Work Program includes Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration planning funds for this project; and

WHEREAS, a Selection Committee consisting of representatives of the Atlantic County Regional Planning & Development, Cape May County Engineer's Office, and SJTPPO was formed; and

WHEREAS, the SJTPPO Technical Advisory Committee vested authority in the Selection Committee to forward a recommendation to the Policy Board; and

WHEREAS, the Selection Committee selected Orth Rodgers & Associates, Inc. of West Trenton, NJ in association with A-Tech Engineers, Inc. of Vineland, NJ, a Certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise firm,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby approves the above selection for the FY 2009 Road Safety Audit Project Development; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Policy Board authorizes the Executive Director to execute scope of work and cost modifications to the original contract amount, provided that funding is available and such modifications have been approved by the project sponsor, if applicable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Policy Board requests that the South Jersey Transportation Authority execute the appropriate contractual arrangements with the consultant on behalf of the SJTPPO.

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Charles R. Sullivan, Secretary/Treasurer

SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 0807-21: Requesting that the South Jersey Transportation Authority Accept Funds for South Jersey Travel Demand Model Peer Review

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated under Federal law for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, and Salem Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2008 SJTPO Unified Planning Work Program included a \$145,000 project to significantly upgrade the South Jersey Travel Demand Model (SJTDM); and

WHEREAS, the selected consultant, PB Americas, Inc. of Princeton, NJ, was unable to complete the project in FY 2008; and

WHEREAS, FY 2008 PL funding cannot be expended in FY 2009, which began on July 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, PB Americas, Inc. desires to complete the project in FY 2009 and recognizes that no charges can be made to the project; and

WHEREAS, the upgraded SJTDM products can only be accepted by SJTPO after an independent peer review by a recognized expert; and

WHEREAS, funds for such review were included in the FY 2008 SJTPO UPWP, and these funds likewise cannot be expended after June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, PB Americas, Inc. desires to fund the independent peer review to enable SJTPO to accept the SJTDM products; and

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Authority, as administrative host to the SJTPO, is empowered to accept funds on behalf of SJTPO.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization hereby requests that SJTA accept funds from PB Americas, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 for an independent peer review of the South Jersey Travel Demand Model Improvement project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SJTPO Executive Director is hereby authorized to negotiate minor changes to the scope of work within the overall intent of the project; and

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RESOLUTION 0807-22 RECOGNIZING THE SERVICES OF PERRY D. BARSE

WHEREAS, the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the southern region of New Jersey including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland , and Salem Counties ; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barse ably represented the South Jersey Transportation Authority and served on SJTPO Policy Board for eight years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barse's balanced and progressive views aided SJTPO in its major accomplishments, such as South Jersey's regional transportation plans, the national award-winning South Jersey Traffic Safety Alliance, and Local Road Safety Audit Program, and many key capital projects for Southern New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the SJTPO wishes to recognize Mr. Barse's regional vision, thoughtful guidance, and ability to forge consensus on complex issues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Policy Board of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization acknowledges the many contributions of PERRY D. BARSE and extends its gratitude for his efforts on behalf of the Southern New Jersey region.

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