



January 14, 2010

To: Citizen Advisory Committee
From: David Reesor, City of Springfield Senior Transportation Planner
Subject: CAC Agenda Item 7 – MPO Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) member representative for Springfield Transportation System Plan (TSP) Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

Action Recommended: Appoint CAC representative and alternate to serve on Springfield's TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee.

Background

The City of Springfield recently began work on a Transportation System Plan (TSP) Update, and is in the process of finalizing recruitment for the TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee. The purpose of the TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee is to provide ongoing guidance of key assumptions and to make recommendations to Springfield decision makers and elected officials.

The TSP update is intended to serve as a blueprint to guide future multi-modal transportation system improvements and investment decisions for the City of Springfield. The TSP includes an inventory and general assessment of the existing transportation system; a determination of existing and future needs; a road plan; a public transportation plan; a bicycle/pedestrian plan; a parking plan; a transportation system management and demand management plan; an air, rail, water, and pipeline plan; and a financing / implementation plan.

Discussion

On October 6th, 2009, Springfield's Committee for Citizen Involvement (Springfield Planning Commission) reviewed and approved the Springfield TSP Citizen Involvement Plan, which included a list of Stakeholder Advisory Committee membership categories.

One position on the Stakeholder Advisory Committee is designated to represent the MPO CAC. At the request of City Staff, MPO CAC Chairman Dave Jacobson recently agreed to represent the MPO CAC on the Committee, subject to MPO CAC and MPC approval. The City of Springfield seeks to have a diverse group of interests represented on the TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee – having a MPO CAC member present on the Committee will help provide some of this diversity.

The CAC bylaws state that “the Metropolitan Policy Committee must approve any activities of the Committee beyond the charges listed in these bylaws.” Formally representing the MPO CAC citizen viewpoint on the TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee is not within the CAC charges currently listed in the bylaws.

Recommendation

Select a representative and an alternate to serve on the Springfield TSP Stakeholder Advisory Committee.