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Strafford Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting Notes
Friday, April 1, 2022
9:00 – 11:00 AM
Strafford Regional Planning Commission
Rochester, NH

Chair Bruce Woodruff called the meeting to order at 9:00am and asked for introductions.

1. Introductions.

Members attending in person: Vanessa Price, Barrington; Katrin Kasper, Lee; Bruce Woodruff, Milton; Michael Williams, COAST; Michelle Mears, Somersworth

Staff attending in person: Jen Czysz, Colin Lentz,

Members attending on Zoom:, Chris Jacobs, Milton; Kim Rummo, DOT; Ricky DiCillo, NHDES; Michael Mozer, NHDOT, Tim White, DES; Leigh Levine, Shanna Saunders, Rochester

Staff attending on Zoom: Jackson Rand, Rachel Dewey, Stephen Geiss, Zuzy Duffy

Chair Woodruff stated there was an insufficient number of members attending in person to meet the quorum requirements so this will be an informational meeting only with no motions

2. Staff Communications

There were no staff communications

3. Action Item(s) [Motion required

a. Minutes from March 4, 2022 Tabled due to a lack of a quorum.

4. Discussion Item

Preparing for Electric Vehicle Charging

Jessica Wilcox, NHDES Transportation Specialist, presented on the upcoming federal funding opportunities for EV charging stations. She stated that this an historic moment in time; there are 1.2 trillion dollars allocated towards a pathway for EV Charging Stations across the nation.

In her presentation, J. Wilcox outlined the following:

Types/Levels of charging

Volkswagen Trust Funds: NH Mitigation Plan

Bill Investment: Infrastructure Plan

NEVI (National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Program): program Guidance

State EV Infrastructure Deployment Plan

Discretionary Grant Program

What is not known yet

Existing Charging Infrastructure, Pending and or Ready Corridors

Existing Corridor Designation

Vendor and Utility Consultation and Assessment

Chair Woodruff thanked Jessica for her informative presentation.

Regional Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy:

C. Lentz Stated presented on the regional effort to identify potential sites and develop a strategy to achieve "ready" status for those corridors. He urged members to work with their communities to identify potential sites that are suitable for DC fast chargers. These sites might include municipality owned sites, large commercial parking lots, or park and rides. C. Lentz provided a form to identify approximately five sites in their communities that may be suitable for EV charging infrastructure.

When a list of potential sites is identified, SRPC will use analysis tools to prioritize sites using various criteria. The goal is to have a prioritized list of potential locations by August 1, 2022.FHWA will review the plans and determine approvals by September 30, 2022.

Discussion ensued on consideration of existing gas stations as potential sites, having stations equipped with convenience or coffee shops for customers to visit while waiting for their vehicles to charge.

5 Other Business

Colin offered a reminder on solicitation for Metroplan projects to be vetted for submittal to the TYP. Waiting for more information from DOT on future projects including CMAC later this year, improving traffic signals. Improving intersections

6. Citizen's Forum:

7. There were no citizens present.

8. Adjourn

Meeting closed at 10:15 a.m.