

Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission

4:30 p.m. – January 26, 2009  
31<sup>st</sup> Floor – Regional Enterprise Tower

AGENDA

1. Action on Minutes of the December 15th Meeting
2. Public Comment
3. Financial Report
4. Action on Resolutions 1-09 and 2-09 to Amend the 2035 Transportation and Development Plan, 2009-2012 TIP and Accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination for Brighton Road Extension – a Sports and Exhibition Authority Project
5. Action on Resolution 3-09 to Approve Submission of the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program to the Funding Agencies
6. Report of Nominating Committee and Action on Resolution 4-09 to Elect an Executive Committee and Resolution 5-09 to Elect Officers of the Commission for 2009
7. Staff Report/Other Business/Announcements
  - Hold the Dates: SPC's Annual Retreat – February 19th and 20th – Farmington, PA
  - Water
  - Stimulus Package
  - Next Meeting Date – March 23, 2009
8. Appoint 2010 Nominating Committee
9. Adjourn

Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission  
Minutes of the Meeting of  
December 15, 2008 – 4:30 p.m.  
31st Floor – Regional Enterprise Tower – 425 Sixth Avenue – Pittsburgh, PA 15219

The seventy-second meeting of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission was called to order by Chairman Dan Onorato.

Commission Members present were: Tom Balya, Shirl Barnhart, Bracken Burns, Charles Camp, Tom Ceraso, Daniel Cessna, Dave Coder, Steve Craig, Terry Daughenbaugh, Kevin Gray, Lynn Heckman, Patricia Kirkpatrick, Larry Maggi, Robbie Matesic, Kevin McCullough, David Miller, Larry Morris, Dan Onorato, Andrew Quinn, Rodney Ruddock, Kelly Shroads, Pam Snyder, Joe Spanik, Vincent Vicites, and Gealy Wallwork.

Commission Members absent were: Tony Amadio, Peter Behrman, Stephen Bland, Rick DeBlasio, Joseph Dubovi III, Karl Eisaman, Patricia Evanko, Richard Fink, David Frick, James Gagliano, Jessica Greathouse, Dana Henry, Michael Herron, David Johnston, James Kennedy, Donald Kinosz, Allen Kukovich, James Lokhaiser, Jack Machek, William Peduto, Dale Pinkerton, William Piper, Luke Ravenstahl, James Ritzman, Carmen Rozzi, Daniel Santoro, James Scahill, Robert Schiffbauer, Mark Schneider, Richard Shaw, Michael Silvestri, Mark Snyder, Anthony Spossey, Byron Stauffer, Jr., Joe Szczur, Letitia Thompson, Daniel Vogler, Jake Wheatley, Jr., Norma Wintermeyer, Vincent Zapotosky, Angela Zimmerlink, and Yarone Zober.

Staff: Jim Hassinger, Kirk Brethauer, Chuck DiPietro, Vince Massaro, Marge Nalesnick, Shannon O'Connell, Dee Pamplin, Matt Pavlosky, Kay Tomko, Debbie Tritsch, and Lew Villotti.

Others: Shawn Fox, Allegheny County; Wayne Barnett, Wells Fargo Bank; Robert Lent, Maher Duessel; Jon Smith and John Verbanac, SPC Consultant

1. Action on Minutes of the November 17th Meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2008 meeting of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission by Commissioner Maggi which was seconded by Commissioner Ruddock. The affirmative vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

2. Public Comment – None

3. Audit Committee Report

Rob Lent reported that there has been one big change this past year related to new audit standards. They changed the audit process to risk assessment process that makes us think about audits differently and helps us think of an organization in a different way and focus on the areas of risk for that organization. The summary of the auditor's report on the financial statements was an unqualified clean opinion.

David Miller asked about the new auditing guidelines - have you changed the process by which you make that assessment and be able to make sure that the amount of billing we do for projects is consistent with the monies we have.

Rob Lent responded that what you are asking about has not changed because the accounting policy for how you recognize revenue is always tested in great detail. The new audit standards make you get a better understanding of the control systems.

Gealy Wallwork complimented the SPC accounting staff stating that they have performed exceptionally well year after year with the help of entire SPC staff.

Commissioner Camp motioned to accept and approve the Audit Committee Report which was seconded by Commissioner Balya. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

#### 4. Community Energy Savings Program Briefing

Dr. Hassinger informed the Commission of a program, Community Energy Savings Program, that SPC has been operating during this year that is available to the entire region and allows SPC to recommend energy savings projects. This is beyond and related to work that has been done in the RET building that we've initiated. For information, some of the lighting in this room already has been replaced with higher energy efficiency florescent bulbs. There also are some LED fixtures, the highest efficiency type possible. By the end of June, the entire 31st floor will be powered by solar energy and the rest of the building will be more efficient.

Lew Villotti gave a briefing specifically on the Community Energy Savings Program for local governments, schools, hospitals and non-profits to look at ways they can save money on energy.

- Vision Statement
  - The LDD Energy Program provides technical assistance, training, and education, empowering communities to make informed energy consumption decisions.
  
- Workshops Year One
  - Energy 101
  - Strategic Energy Planning
  - LED Workshops (8)
  - Energy Savings Seminar
  
- Utility Bill Analysis
  - 2 Utility Bill Analyses (UBAs) completed
  - Green Tree Borough
  - Urban Redevelopment Authority
  - 7 additional local governments requested UBA
  
- Data charts obtained from Utility Bills
  - Charts produced from data include monthly cost analysis, as well as kilowatt and kilowatt/jour charts
  - These charts allow municipalities to visually gauge usage patterns.

- Excel Spreadsheets
  - Municipalities are provided with the same electronic data that we use to do our analysis. They can then more easily monitor future usage and do their own future analysis.
  
- Goals for Year Two
  - 34 technical assists
  - 4 workshops, trainings or seminars
  - 3 completed UBAs
  - LED traffic signal bulk purchase
  - Energy Advisory Committee

## 5. Other Business/Announcements

Dr. Hassinger reminded the Commission that it was time again to refresh the PPP panels and they would be receiving letters in this regard.

We've been informed that retired staff member Richard DePietress that he has passed away. He was with the Commission for about 17 years in local government services. He was a recipient of The Joe James Award and he was also recognized by a lot of people from other agencies for his work on behalf of local governments. We will miss Rich.

I also want to update the Commission on the status of a project that you were briefed on earlier in the year that we referred to as the Imagine Greater Pittsburgh project and our participation in it. There is a briefing scheduled for new members of the project steering committee that is forming and we have a large committee which is about one-third public sector related. From this steering committee there will be additional committees that will be asking for appointments for the Imagine Greater Pittsburgh project that is being facilitated through IOP and being funded by the foundation community. At this time, public sector related appointments are Jerry Andree, Tom Balya, Stan Caldwell, Dan Guida, from Weirton, WV, Jim Hunt, former Mayor of Clarksburg, WV, Ron Justice, Mayor, Morgantown, Linda Nitch, Patricia Kirkpatrick, Kathy McKenzie, from Dan Onorato's office, Pam Snyder, Rob Stephany, URA, Pamela Tokar-Ickes from Somerset County, Jay Williams, Mayor, Youngstown, OH, immediate past Chairman, Bracken Burns, current Chairman Dan Onorato, and myself. That group is going to be briefed this evening on the status of the project.

Dan Onorato briefed the Commission on Port Authority's contract. The Port Authority board voted unanimously to approve the contract today. Under this new 4-year contract the Authority will save about \$95M. I will also avoid picking up \$25M of new expenditures because of unfunded healthcare. The \$95M is over 4 years and the \$25M is per year. This allows the Port Authority to avoid going to a 30-40% cut in service. This is the first time in the history of the agency, that 4 years from now the post retirement healthcare cost will be less than they are today.

Commissioner Ruddock commented on the passing of Commissioner Charlie Camp's father. On behalf of the Commission we extend our condolences to you and your family. And now realize why you're such a successful businessman and really believe in yourself; you had great shoes to follow.

David Miller said on a positive note that Commissioner Camp and Shannon O'Connell have completed their first semester in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs working on their Masters degree. I think a round of applause is due.

Next meeting date is January 26, 2009, which is our annual meeting where we will-elect officers.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney Ruddock  
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 1-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to make a finding of conformity that proposed amendments to the 2035 Transportation and Development Plan for Southwestern Pennsylvania (the 2035 Plan) and 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Pittsburgh Transportation Management Area (TMA) are consistent with the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act (as amended).

WHEREAS, the federal Clean Air Act authorizes the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to establish National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), to define the boundaries of areas not in attainment of the Standards, and to establish criteria and procedures for attaining and maintaining the Standards; and

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC), as the MPO for the Pittsburgh Transportation Management Area, is responsible under Section 134 of Title 23, U.S.C. and Section 5303 of Title 49, U.S.C. for carrying out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process; Section 174 of the Clean Air Act designates this same organization as responsible for the transportation-related air quality planning within designated nonattainment and maintenance areas to achieve and maintain NAAQS; and

WHEREAS, the EPA has designated three nonattainment areas in the SPC planning region for the 8-Hour Ozone NAAQS; these include the Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley nonattainment area (comprised of the seven counties: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Washington, and Westmoreland); the Greene County nonattainment area; and the Clearfield-Indiana nonattainment area (comprised of Clearfield County, which is outside of SPC's planning area, and Indiana County which is within SPC's planning area); and

WHEREAS, the EPA has designated three nonattainment areas in the SPC planning region for the PM 2.5 NAAQS; these include the Liberty-Clairton nonattainment area (comprised of five municipalities within Allegheny County); the Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley nonattainment area (comprised of Beaver, Butler, Washington, and Westmoreland counties in their entirety and portions of Allegheny, Armstrong, Greene, and Lawrence counties); and the Johnstown nonattainment area (comprised of portions of Indiana County within SPC's planning area, and all of Cambria County which is in the planning area of the Johnstown MPO); and

WHEREAS, the EPA has designated a maintenance area in the SPC planning region for the PM 10 NAAQS consisting of five municipalities within Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, the EPA has designated a maintenance area in the SPC planning region for the Carbon Monoxide (CO) NAAQS consisting of the City of Pittsburgh's central business district; and

WHEREAS, the EPA, in the Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Part 93), as amended, provides criteria and procedures to be followed by Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in making conformity determinations regarding transportation plans, programs, and projects within designated nonattainment and maintenance areas; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Conformity Rule and Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (Sections 7504 and 7506(c) and (d) of Title 42 U.S.C.) require that the MPO not approve or amend any plan, program, or project which does not conform with the Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Conformity Rule identifies projects and project types which are "exempt" from regional conformity analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Conformity Rule requires a new finding of conformity by the MPO prior to an MPO action to adopt or amend the Transportation Plan or TIP when that action involves projects or project types which are not "exempt" from regional conformity analysis, or prior to any federal action to approve project designs, environmental documents, or other aspects of "non-exempt" projects that are not required to be programmed on the regional Plan or TIP; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh's Sports and Exhibition Authority has proposed "non-exempt" amendments to the TIP and the 2035 Plan; and

WHEREAS, SPC has conducted a qualitative and quantitative analysis for the designated PM 2.5, PM 10, CO, and 8-Hour Ozone nonattainment and maintenance areas within the SPC region in accordance with the applicable criteria and procedures of the Clean Air Act (as amended) and the Transportation Conformity Rule, and has demonstrated that the amended 2035 Plan and 2009-2012 TIP conform with the Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments and the results of the conformity analysis were made available for public review and comment consistent with SPC's established public review procedures from December 17, 2008 through January 21, 2009 including a public meeting held on January 13; and

WHEREAS, documentation of the public review and comment period, public comments received on the conformity analysis and the proposed Plan and TIP amendments, and responses to comments have been compiled and presented to the Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission finds that the region's amended 2035 Plan and 2009-2012 TIP conform to the Clean Air Act (as amended) by supporting its intention of achieving and maintaining the NAAQS; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the region's amended 2035 Plan and 2009-2012 TIP are consistent with the Clean Air Act (as amended) and the Transportation Conformity Rule; no goals, directives, recommendations, or projects in the Plan or TIP contradict in a negative manner any specific requirements or commitments of applicable State Implementation Plans (SIPs).

RESOLVED FURTHER that assessment of the designated PM 2.5, PM 10, CO, and 8-Hour Ozone nonattainment areas within the SPC region demonstrates that the amended transportation plans, programs, and projects for those areas conform with the provisions of the Clean Air Act and the applicable criteria and procedures of the Transportation Conformity Rule.

I, Rodney Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 26th day of January 2009; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereto subscribe my name as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to amend the 2035 Transportation and Development Plan for Southwestern Pennsylvania (2035 Plan) and the 2009-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

WHEREAS, Federal transportation law (Section 134 of Title 23 U.S.C. and Section 5303 of Title 49 U.S.C.) and metropolitan transportation planning regulations (Part 450.220 of Title 23 C.F.R.) continue the requirements established in earlier legislation that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) conduct a comprehensive transportation planning process and develop and maintain a Long-Range Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program that conform with various Federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh's Sports and Exhibition Authority has proposed the following revisions to the TIP and the 2035 Plan:

- Move funding for the Brighton Road Extension project (a new road connecting West General Robinson Street and North Shore Drive) from Stage Two of the 2035 Plan to Stage One of the 2035 Plan (thereby adding the project to the 2009-2012 TIP for funding in FY 2009) at a total cost of \$1,800,000 (\$730,078 federal SAFETEA-LU earmark; \$1,069,922 non-federal funds committed by the Sports and Exhibition Authority); and

WHEREAS, the proposed TIP and Plan amendments will maintain overall Plan and TIP fiscal balance and will not interfere with the implementation of any projects, commitments, or requirements of applicable State Implementation Plans (SIPs); and

WHEREAS, SPC has conducted qualitative and quantitative analysis consistent with the applicable criteria and procedures of the Clean Air Act (as amended) and the Transportation Conformity Rule, and has demonstrated that the amended 2035 Plan and 2009-2012 TIP conform with the Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments and the results of the conformity analysis were made available for public review and comment consistent with SPC's established public review procedures from December 17, 2008 through January 21, 2009 including a public meeting held on January 13; and

WHEREAS, documentation of the public review and comment period, public comments received on the conformity analysis and the proposed Plan and TIP amendments, and responses to comments have been compiled and presented to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments have been reviewed by the Transportation Technical Committee and recommended for approval in accordance with SPC's approved Plan and TIP amendment policies.

WHEREAS, the finding of conformity with the Clean Air Act for the amended TIP and 2035 Plan is made in SPC Resolution 1-09.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission approves the request made by the City of Pittsburgh's Sports and Exhibition Authority to amend the 2035 Plan and the 2009-2012 TIP.

I, Rodney Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing Resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 26th day of January 2009, a quorum being present; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereto subscribe my name as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Secretary- Treasurer



SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 3-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION (SPC) to approve submission of the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010) to the appropriate funding agencies.

WHEREAS, the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program documents all transportation and transportation-related planning activities to be undertaken within the SPC region from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program identifies planning tasks to be performed by SPC staff and the staffs of the member Counties, the City of Pittsburgh, and the Port Authority of Allegheny County using planning assistance funding from the Federal Highway Administrative, the Federal Transit Administration, and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission approves submission of the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, on behalf of SPC, is hereby authorized to enter into Agreements and/or Supplements with the Federal Transit Administration of the U. S. Department of Transportation, and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation relating to the 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program and pursuant to application requests.

I, Rodney D. Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 26th day of January 2009, a quorum being present; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

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Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 4-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to elect the following members to the Executive Committee for calendar year 2009.

Allegheny County, Dan Onorato  
Armstrong County, Patricia Kirkpatrick  
Beaver County, Joseph Spanik  
Butler County, James Kennedy  
Fayette County, Vincent Vicites  
Greene County, Pam Snyder  
Indiana County, Rodney Ruddock  
Lawrence County, Steve Craig  
Washington County, Bracken Burns  
Westmoreland County, Tom Balya  
City of Pittsburgh, Luke Ravenstahl  
At-Large, Jake Wheatley  
At-Large, Charles Camp  
At-Large,  
PennDOT, Jim Ritzman  
Governor's Appointee, Allen Kukovich  
Department of Community and Economic Development, Jack Machek  
SPC Executive Director, James Hassinger, ex officio

I, Rodney D. Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 26th day of January 2009, a quorum being present; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereto subscribe my name as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 5-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to elect Officers for calendar year 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following persons be and the same hereby are elected to serve as Officers of the Commission in the capacity set forth opposite their name below, from the date hereof until their successors are elected and qualified by the Commission:

Dan Onorato, Chairman

Charles Camp, Vice Chairman

Rodney Ruddock, Secretary-Treasurer

I, Rodney D. Ruddock, HEREBY CERTIFY that I am Secretary-Treasurer of the SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION; that the foregoing resolution was adopted, in accordance with the By-Laws, by the Members of said Commission at a meeting duly called and held on the 26th day of January 2009, a quorum being present; and that said resolution is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I hereto subscribe my name as Secretary-Treasurer.

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Secretary-Treasurer

**Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission**  
 ALLEGHENY • ARMSTRONG • BEAVER • BUTLER • FAYETTE • GREENE • INDIANA • LAWRENCE • PITTSBURGH • WASHINGTON • WESTMORELAND

Annual Membership Meeting  
 January 26, 2009

**Today's Meeting is  
 a Live Interactive Web Conference  
 with a second site for SPC  
 Commissioners attending  
 Harrisburg CCAP Board Meeting**

Please speak clearly and use the  
 microphones.

Thanks!

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**Action**

Meeting Minutes  
 December 15, 2008

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 Agenda Item No. 2

**Public Comment**

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 Agenda Item No. 3

**Financial Report**

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 Agenda Item No. 3

For the period July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 (50% of the year completed)					
	Revised Annual Budget	Actual to Date	Percent of Budget	Actual and Encumbrance to Date	Percent of Budget
<b>Revenues</b>					
Total Project Related Revenues	\$9,323,838	\$3,676,018	39.43%	\$4,819,125	51.69%
Total Carry-Over Project Related Revenues	\$198,154	\$58,244	29.39%	\$147,688	74.53%
<b>TOTAL PROJECT REVENUES</b>	<b>\$9,521,992</b>	<b>\$3,734,263</b>	<b>39.22%</b>	<b>\$4,966,813</b>	<b>52.16%</b>
RET Operations Revenues	\$5,415,686	\$2,238,590	41.34%	\$2,238,590	41.34%
RET Endowment Contribution	\$224,764	\$2,348	1.04%	\$2,348	1.04%
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$15,162,442</b>	<b>\$5,975,201</b>	<b>39.41%</b>	<b>\$7,207,752</b>	<b>47.54%</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Total Project Related Expenditures	\$9,372,891	\$3,707,156	39.55%	\$4,826,202	51.51%
Total Carry-Over Project Related Expenditures	\$149,101	\$30,250	20.29%	\$141,754	95.07%
<b>TOTAL PROJECT EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$9,521,992</b>	<b>\$3,737,406</b>	<b>39.25%</b>	<b>\$4,967,956</b>	<b>52.19%</b>
Total RET Expenditures before Amort/Deprec.	\$5,072,281	\$2,002,767	39.48%	\$2,002,767	39.48%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$15,863,381</b>	<b>\$6,249,722</b>	<b>39.40%</b>	<b>\$7,482,272</b>	<b>47.17%</b>



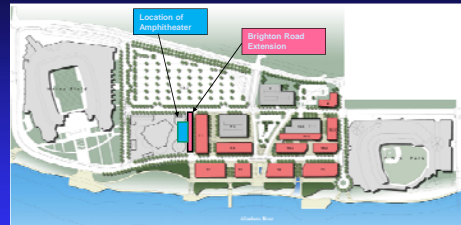
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## Action Resolutions 1-09 & 2-09

Amend the 2035 Transportation and Development Plan, 2009-2012 TIP and Accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination for Brighton Road Extension—A Sports and Exhibition Authority Project



## Public Comment Report: Brighton Road Extension



- Estimated Cost: \$1.8 million (\$0.73 M Fed. Earmark & \$1.07 M, by SEA)
- Construction Start: Spring 2009
- Scope Includes: Construction of a road and related streetscape improvements between North Shore Drive and General Robinson



## Public Comment Report: Brighton Road Extension



- Currently on Stage 2 of 2035 Plan
- Request to Advance to Stage 1 (TIP)



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## Action Resolution 3-09

Approve Submission of Draft 2009-2010 Unified Planning Work Program to Funding Agencies



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## UPWP Background

- The UPWP document outlines the major transportation planning tasks we will perform in the upcoming state fiscal year:
  - July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010
- Provides a central source of information about major transportation planning priorities.



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## UPWP Development

- SPC receives guidance for developing the UPWP from state and federal funding sources
  - Original federal transportation legislation (SAFETEA-LU)
  - Annual FTA/FHWA guidance
  - Annual PennDOT guidance



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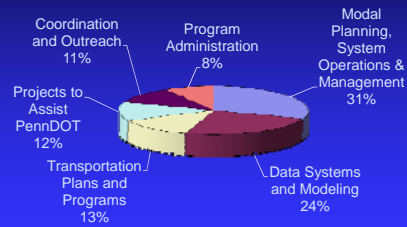
### Funding Sources

Federal	\$3,503,912	78 %
State	\$468,205	11 %
SPC	\$361,379	8 %
Other Local	\$144,345	3 %
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,477,841</b>	<b>100 %</b>



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### Program Utilization



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### Program Areas

- Modal Planning & Systems Operations/Management (31%)
- Data Systems & Modeling (24%)
- Transportation Plans & Programs (13%)
- Projects to Assist PennDOT (12%)
- Coordination and Outreach (11%)
- Program Administration (8%)



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### Modal Planning & Systems Operations/Management (31%)

- Freight Planning
- Intermodal Initiatives
- Congestion Management Process
- Transportation Operations & Safety Planning
- Regional Traffic Signal Program
- CommuteInfo Program
- Transit Technical/Planning Assistance
- Port Authority Planning Program
- Access-to-Work Interagency Cooperative



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### Data Systems & Modeling (24%)

- GIS Maintenance & Operations
- Maintain Data & Graphic Files
- Air Quality Planning
- Land Use Models & Regional Forecasts
- Transportation Models



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### Transportation Plans & Programs (13%)

- Long Range Planning Implementation
- TIP Management
- Financial Planning
- Environmental Justice Report



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### Projects to Assist PennDOT (12%)

- Highway Performance Monitoring
- Technical Assistance to PennDOT
- Traffic Forecasts and Needs Reports



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### Coordination and Outreach (11%)

- Member Planning Agencies Participation
- Public Participation
- LTAP Promotion and Evaluation



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### Program Administration (8%)

- UPWP Administration
- General Support Services



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### Next Steps

- Discussion/Questions
- Commission Approval to Submit UPWP to Funding Agencies
  - Ensure Funding Approvals in Place Before Start of Fiscal Year
- Integrate with overall SPC Budget in June



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### Report

Nominating Committee

### Action

### Resolutions 4-09 & 5-09

Elect an Executive Committee and Officers of the Commission



### 2009 Executive Committee

- Allegheny County, Dan Onorato
- Armstrong County, Patricia Kirkpatrick
- Beaver County, Joseph Spanik
- Butler County, James Kennedy
- Fayette County, Vincent Vicites
- Greene County, Pam Snyder
- Indiana County, Rodney Ruddock
- Lawrence County, Steve Craig
- Washington County, Bracken Burns
- Westmoreland County, Tom Balya
- City of Pittsburgh, Luke Ravenstahl
- At-Large, Jake Wheatley
- At-Large, Charles Camp
- At-Large,
- PennDOT, Jim Ritzman
- Governor's Appointee, Allen Kukovich
- Department of Community and Economic Development, Jack Machek
- SPC Executive Director, James Hassinger, ex officio



## 2009 Commission Officers

- Dan Onorato, Chairman
- Charles Camp, Vice-Chairman
- Rodney Ruddock, Secretary-Treasurer



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## Staff Report Other Business Announcements

- Hold the Dates: SPC's Annual Retreat
  - February 19 & 20—Farmington, PA
- Water
- Stimulus
- Next Meeting Date—March 23, 2009



## Regional Integrated Water Planning



## The Resolution

- Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation and the Executive Committee of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission acknowledge and endorse all recommendations set forth in the report of the Regional Policy Advisory Committee in the matter of the Regional Water Management Task Force Recommendation and directs staff to take the steps necessary to implement the recommendations as outlined in the Regional Policy Advisory Committee report.



## The Resolution (Continued)

- The RPAC report outlined a 24 month initial starter kit strategy with a total estimated cost of \$2,734,066.
- The initial local source of funding would be a program specific dues for member jurisdictions not to be expended until such time as funding for the starter kit strategy has been secured.



## Update

- Meetings to date:
  - Philanthropic community
    - Benedum Worthington Foundation
    - R.K. Mellon Foundation
  - Public Sources
    - Senator Casey Staff
    - Senator Specter Staff





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**Staff Report**  
**Other Business**  
**Announcements**

- ✓ *Hold the Dates: SPC's Annual Retreat*
  - *February 19 & 20—Farmington, PA*
- ✓ *Water*
- Stimulus
- Next Meeting Date—March 23, 2009



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**Appoint 2010 Nominating Committee**

- Lynn Heckman
- Rich Fink
- Dick Shaw
- David Johnston
- Angela Zimmerlink
- Dave Coder
- Byron Stauffer
- James Cagliano
- Michael Silvestri
- Tom Ceraso
- Yarone Zober