

SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION to amend the *2035 Transportation and Development Plan for Southwestern Pennsylvania* and the *2007-2010 Transportation Improvement Program*, to include the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission's Mon Fayette Expressway: Uniontown-Brownsville Phase 2 project and Southern Beltway: US-22 to I-79 project, including their updated Financial Plans, and to move funding for the PennDOT District 12-0 State Route 21 J10 project, Thompsons Crossroads to US-119 (Uniontown), from Stage Three of the 2035 Plan to Stage Two, and authorizing submission of LRP and TIP amendments to the appropriate agencies.

WHEREAS, Section 134 of Title 23 U.S.C., Part 450.220 of Title 23 CFR and the Federal Transit Act 49 U.S.C. 5323(k) 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 Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has submitted updated Financial Plans for the Mon-Fayette Expressway Uniontown-Brownsville Phase 2 project in Fayette County and the Southern Beltway US-22 to I-79 project in Allegheny and Washington Counties, requesting that these regionally significant projects be included in the SPC LRP and TIP. Construction of these projects will be administered by the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. The specific sources of funding identified by the PTC are not under SPC's jurisdiction in either the TIP or LRP and are not part of an SPC programming action, even though the SPC TIP and LRP will include the projects for information purposes in fulfillment of federal requirements; and

WHEREAS, PennDOT District 12-0 has requested that funding for the SR-21 J10 Thompsons Crossroads to US-119 project in Fayette County be moved from Stage Three of the 2035 Plan to Stage Two; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission project financial plans have been reviewed and conform with federal fiscal constraint guidelines, i.e., that the funding needed for construction of the projects can reasonably be anticipated to be available within the timeframe scheduled for project delivery; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments maintain overall Plan and TIP fiscal balance and will not interfere with the implementation of any STIP projects; and

WHEREAS, SPC has conducted a public review process based on its official Public Involvement Policy, holding two public meetings within the public comment period and providing due consideration of the comments that were received; and

WHEREAS, approval of these amendments will not alter the finding of conformity between the 2035 Plan, the 2007-2010 TIP and the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 as detailed in Resolution 1-08, and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission adopts the amendments to the *2035 Transportation and Development Plan*, and *2007-2010 Transportation Improvement Program* as submitted by the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and PennDOT District 12-0.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this amendment is approved for submission to the appropriate authorities including: 1) the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for inclusion in the State Transportation Plan and referral to the U.S. Department of Transportation; and 2) FTA and FHWA for review.

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 28th day of January 2008, 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