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# CONNECTIONS

A CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT NEWSLETTER FROM THE MACON-BIBB COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION



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## Transportation Enhancement Projects receives awards

On Thursday, May 26, 2011, GDOT announced the funding of over 144 project's totaling approximately \$55 million for Transportation Enhancements. The TE program funds multi-use facilities such as walking and biking trails and paths; streetscaping and landscaping projects in cities and towns; historic preservation of transportation—related facilities such as railroad depots; and scenic preservation of views and scenic byways. All projects submitted were reviewed by the State Transportation Board members in an effort to ensure that projects throughout all 13 congressional districts would be eligible to receive funding. Approximately 80% of TE

grant funds are provided by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), with the local government funding the remainder of the total project cost. The local government project sponsor is responsible for implementing the TE project and obtaining federal reimbursement from GDOT. Bibb County / City of Macon is located within Congressional District 8. The City of Macon is fortunate to be awarded funding for two TE projects: (1) College Street Sidewalks @ Tatnall Square Park @ \$1,000,000 and (2) Pine Street Enhancement—Phase 2 @ \$400,000. The City of Macon will be responsible for administering the grant.

## HB 277—Transportation Investment Act 2010

Slightly over a year ago, the Georgia Department of Transportation's Planning Division requested from local governments throughout the state to suggest projects to be considered for the initial financially unconstrained list to be prepared for the 12 Regional Transportation Roundtables in conjunction with the Transportation Investment Act 2010 (TIA 2010), which will be voted on by Georgia citizens in an August, 2012, referendum. TIA 2010 requires GDOT's Director of Planning to provide the Executive Committee for each Roundtable with a list of

all projects meeting that region's approved criteria. This initial list is to be prepared without consideration of the cost of a project, i.e., financially unconstrained. Each local jurisdiction must submit their project list to their respective regional commission before forwarding them to the Planning Division. The projects submitted should meet the specific criteria adopted by each Regional Roundtable." The MATS (Macon Area Transportation Study) Committees, along with other departmental agencies, has been developing a constrained list to meet



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**Our Long Range Transportation Plan Will Strive To:**

- Support the Economic Vitality of the Metropolitan Area
- Increase Safety and Security
- Increase Accessibility & Mobility Options for people & freight
- Protect the Environment, Conserve Energy & improve quality of life
- Enhance integration and connectivity of the Transportation system
- Promote efficiency
- Emphasize preservation of the existing transportation system.

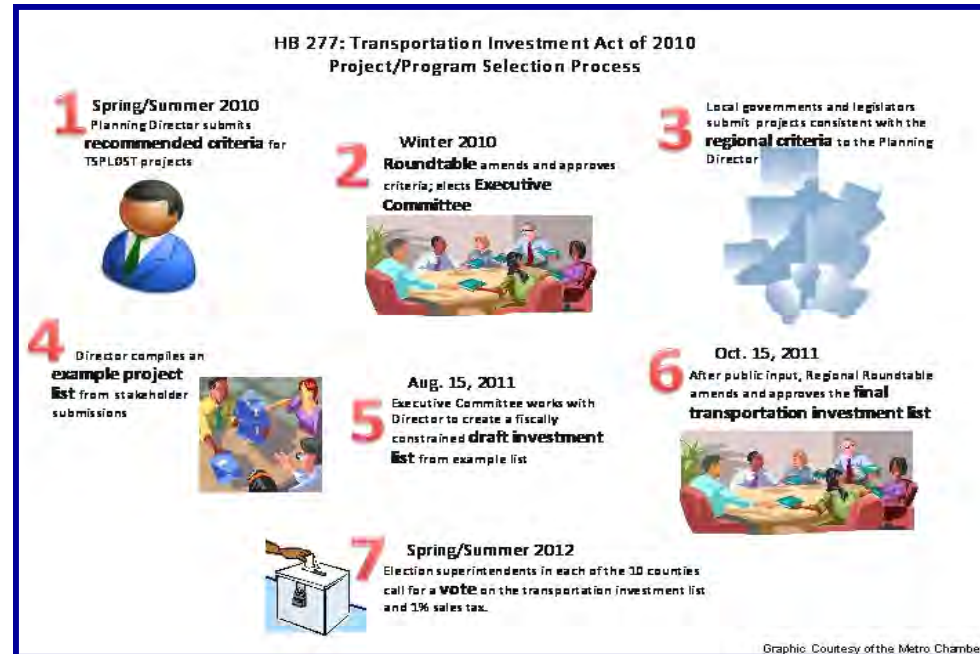


**HB 277 Transportation Investment Act** —continued from page 1

the desired deadline by August 15, 2011 to the Executive Committee. The full roundtable is expected to vote on the final list in October 2011. Approximately 41 projects has been identified to include on the Unconstrained Project list throughout the City of Macon, Bibb County and the Macon Transit Authority. A complete listing of these projects can be found on [www.maconbibbpz.org](http://www.maconbibbpz.org) or [www.mgrc.org](http://www.mgrc.org). Meetings of the Executive Committee are held at the Middle Georgia Regional Commission and are open to the public. The next round of meetings are scheduled for: June 29th, July 6th, July 20th, July 27th, August 3rd and August 10th, 2011 at 1:00PM. For more information regarding the meetings, please call 478.751.6160.

**How the Bill Work?**

*Twelve Special Tax Districts would be created using the Regional Commission boundaries. In this community, this would be the Middle Georgia Regional Commission which includes Baldwin, Bibb, Crawford, Houston, Jones, Monroe, Peach, Pulaski, Putman, Twiggs, and Wilkinson Counties. Each District will vote to levy a 1% sales tax for 10 years. This will pass or fail based on the vote of the entire District. Individual Counties will not be able to opt out even if the vote fails to pass within that County. The estimated 2009 revenues from a 1% sales tax would be approximately \$78,200,000 for the Middle Georgia Regional Commission area. Twenty-five percent of the revenues (\$19,550,000) would go to the individual local governments for Transportation Projects based on their population (33%) and on their street mileage (67%) as it is currently done under the LARP (Local Assistance Program). The remainder of the \$78,200,000 would be approximately \$58,650,000. This money that is raised within that District stays in the District and is not subject to congressional balancing that is done from other funding sources. A Regional Transportation Roundtable (RTR) is created in each District consisting of the Chairman of each County in the District and a Mayor from each County elected by all the Mayors of that County. The Regional Transportation Roundtable will develop the draft project list for this 1% sales tax and will work with Georgia Department of Transportation and an Executive Committee from the District to develop the final list. This is a brief summary of the House Bill 277 Transportation Investment Act to address key points of the Bill and the issues that the Bill is attempting to address. More detailed information can be found on the website under MATS/TRANSPORTATION/NEWS: <http://www.maconbibbpz.org/>*



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	2011		
	April	May	June
Plats	16	11	10
Certificate of Appropriateness	8	3	4
Permitted Uses	115	104	128
Conditional Uses	10	8	7
Sign Permits	29	29	28
Variations	4	6	6
Approved Rezoning	1	0	0
Denied Rezoning	0	0	0

P & Z Commissioners: Sarah Gerwig-Moore, Chair \* Jacqueline Hightower, Vice Chair \* Rev. Arthur L. Hubbard \* Al Tillman \* Kamal Azar

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### Employee News

#### Planning and Zoning bids Farewell

##### Farewell to R. Barry Bissonette

After twenty—four years of dedicated service to the Macon—Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission, R. Barry Bissonette officially retired on July 6, 2010.



##### Farewell to Kay Sanders

After twenty—nine years of dedicated service to the Macon—Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission, Kay Sanders officially retired on February 28, 2011.



##### Farewell to Gregory T. Floyd

After eleven and a half years (11.5) years of dedicated service to the Macon—Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission, Gregory T. Floyd officially resigned on June 27, 2011. Floyd will take his knowledge and talents to MARTA as a Land Use Planner in Atlanta, Georgia.



##### Planning and Zoning Welcomes Andrea Holden

Andrea began her employment at P & Z on January 18, 2011 as the Finance Director. Prior to P & Z, Andrea worked with a CPA Firm in Atlanta, Georgia for 11 years. She received a bachelors degree from Georgia State University in Accounting. A native of Iowa, Andrea is married to Don for 29 1/2 years and has 2 children, Nicole 17 and Josh 15.

#### Employee News Anniversaries

**Don Tussing**  
April 3, 1989 — 22 Years

**Seith Dibble**  
May 15, 2007—4 Years

**James P. Thomas**  
June 11, 1984—27 Years

**Bridgett Manson**  
June 17, 1985—26 Years

### College Hill Corridor: Land Use Plan, Zoning Regulations and Design Guidelines

In April 2011, Planning and Zoning was awarded a grant from the James S. and John L. Knight Foundation, in conjunction with the Community Foundation of Central Georgia. This grant allows Planning and Zoning the opportunity to revisit and update its land use plan, zoning codes and design guidelines which is a major step towards implementing many of the concepts identified in the College Hill Corridor Master Plan. This effort will also explore the opportunity for new codes and guidelines to enhance and preserve the established residential neighborhoods within the College Hill Corridor while promoting future growth with well designed development in appropriate locations. Lastly, this will be an opportunity for the new codes to be applicable as a template for other neighborhoods throughout the City.



Planning and Zoning, along with the consulting team Pond / Ecos held the first community meeting on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at 6:00PM at the Centenary Methodist Church (Social Hall), 1290 College Street. The goal of this meeting was to review the project purpose, goals and overall schedule; meet the consulting team; and to offer a forum for discussion on the area's opportunities/challenges with regards to land use, zoning and design review within the College Hill Corridor. This meeting was followed up by the second Stakeholder meeting on Monday, May 23, 2011 at 4:00PM in Macon's City Hall. At this meeting, the consultants presented the results of the first community input session and established a definitive schedule for the completion of the project. As such, the following schedule was produce to successfully implement and update the new land use plan, zoning regulations and design guidelines.

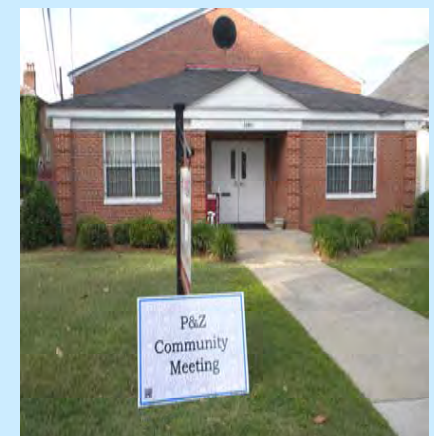
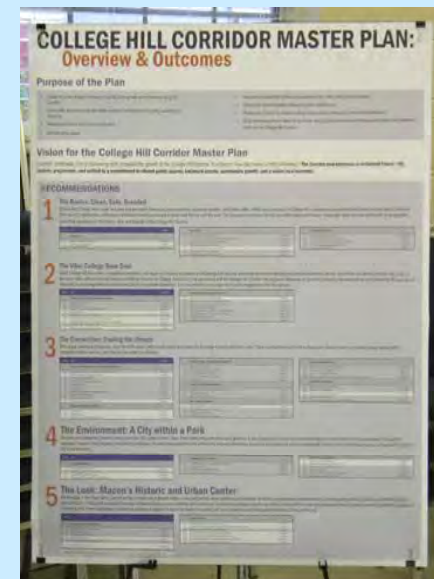
#### Future Meeting Dates:

**Charrette:** Thursday, June 16, 2011

**Stakeholder Meeting #3:** Monday, August 8, 2011

**Community Meeting #2:** Thursday, August 25, 2011

**Stakeholder Meeting #4:** Monday, October 10, 2011



## Transportation Improvement Program FY 2012—2015 Project Status



The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a four year capital improvement program drawn from the 2035 Transportation Plan. The current TIP outlines the roadway, airport and transit projects planned for the MATS Study Area during state fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

The TIP is the result of comprehensive transportation planning at the local level, combined with cooperation and assistance from state and federal officials. The TIP is updated each year and may be amended during the year if the amendments are consistent with the adopted Transportation Plan. Development of the Plan and TIP are guided by the FHWA/FTA Metropolitan Planning Regulations, 23 CFR Part 450 and the Transportation Conformity Rules (40 CFR Part 93). These regulations require the FY12-15 TIP to demonstrate financial constraint. The Financial Plan section of the TIP addresses this requirement by depicting both project costs and anticipated available funding, grouped by federal funding codes.

The Clean Air Act requires the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to designate areas throughout the country as attainment or non-attainment of an air quality standard. On April 15, 2004 and December 17, 2004 respectively, the USEPA designated Bibb County and part of Monroe County in non-attainment for the 8-hour Ozone Standard and the Annual PM 2.5 Standard. On May 18, 2006, the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, in coordination with the Environmental Protection Agency, issued a formal finding that the Transportation Plan and TIP conform to the transportation conformity requirements of the Clean Air Act as set forth in Title 40 CFR Part 93.

The FY 12-15 TIP is a subset of the currently conforming 2035 Transportation Plan. These projects are consistent with the project descriptions and timing reflected in the conforming Transportation Plan's emissions analyses. The Conformity Determination Report and FY12-15 TIP reflect the review and comment through the MPO's interagency consultation and public involvement processes. Following is a map which shows Transportation Improvement Projects throughout the City and County.



## Noise Barriers along Georgia Highways (Sample)



**Macon—Bibb County Georgia**

**I—475**



**Columbus—Muscogee  
County Georgia**

**I—185**

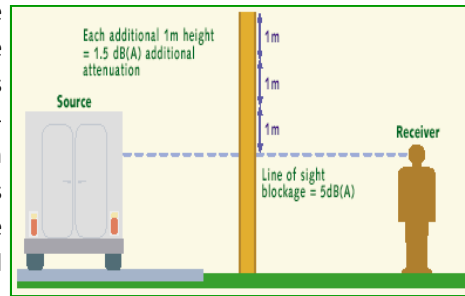


**Macon—Bibb County Georgia**

**I—475**

## Keeping the Noise Down: Highway Traffic Noise Barriers @ A Glance

With several road improvement projects currently underway through the City of Macon and Bibb County, the issue of Noise Barriers has been on the top of the list from concerned citizens. As these new road improvements are underway, most citizens are primarily concerned with esthetically pleasing noise barriers along the I-16 / I-75 Interchange; areas along I-75 south of the interchange from Hardeman Avenue to Mercer University; and areas I-75 north of the interchange along the Winship Hills area. Taken from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) website, the following text will provide general information in reference to noise barriers. According to FHWA, Noise barriers reduce the sound which enters a community from a busy highway by either absorbing the sound, transmitting it, reflecting it back across the highway, or forcing it to take a longer path over and around the barrier. A noise barrier must be tall enough and long enough to block the view of a highway from the area that is to be protected, the "receiver." Noise barriers provide very little benefit for homes on a hillside overlooking a highway or for buildings which rise above the barrier. A noise barrier can achieve a 5 dB noise level reduction, when it is tall enough to break the line-of-sight from the highway to the home or receiver. After it breaks the line-of-sight, it can achieve approximately 1.5dB of additional noise level reduction for each meter of barrier height. To effectively reduce the noise coming around its ends, a barrier should be at least eight times as long as the distance from the home or receiver to the barrier.



### Highway Traffic Noise Barriers:

- can reduce the loudness of traffic noise by as much as half;
- do not completely block all traffic noise;
- can be effective, regardless of the material used;
- must be tall and long with no openings;
- are most effective within 61 meters (200 feet) of a highway (usually the first row of homes);
- must be designed to be visually appealing;
- must be designed to preserve aesthetic values and scenic vistas;
- do not increase noise levels perceptibly on the opposite side of a highway; and
- substantially reduce noise levels for people living next to highways.

Noise barriers are solid obstructions built between the highway and the homes along a highway. They do not completely block all noise they only reduce overall noise levels. Effective noise barriers typically reduce noise levels by 5 to 10 decibels (dB), cutting the loudness of traffic noise by as much as one half. For example, a barrier which achieves a 10-dB reduction can reduce the sound level of a typical tractor trailer pass-by to that of an automobile. Barriers can be formed from earth mounds or "berms" along the road, from high, vertical walls, or from a combination of earth berms and walls. Earth berms have a very natural appearance and are usually attractive. They also reduce noise by approximately 3dB more than vertical walls of the same height. However, earth berms can require a lot of land to construct, especially if they are very tall. Walls require less space, but they are usually limited to

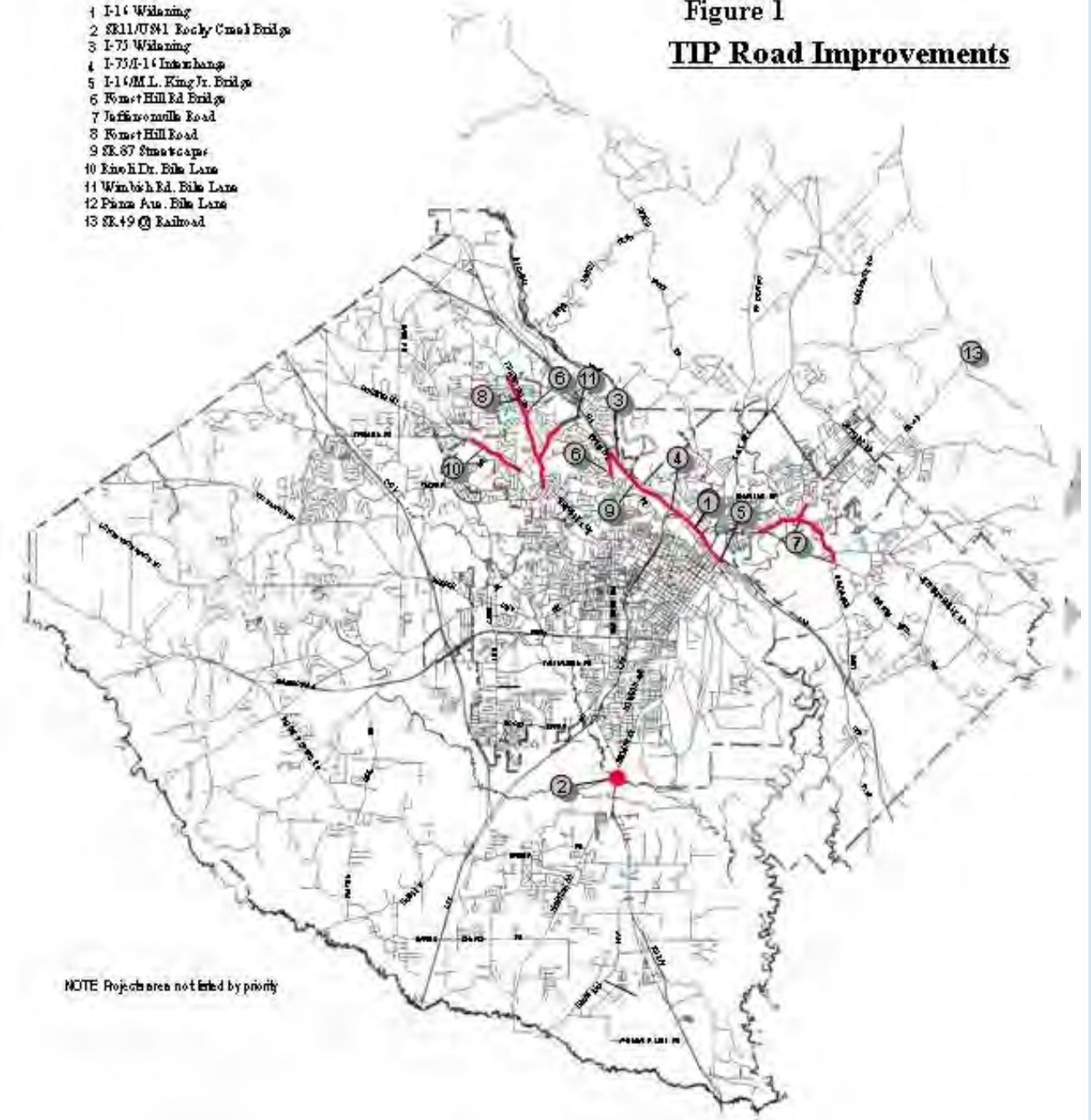
eight meters (25 feet) in height for structural and aesthetic reasons.

### When Are Noise Barriers Required?

Noise barriers are not always required at locations where an absolute threshold is met. There is no "number standard" which requires the construction of a noise barrier. Federal requirements for noise barriers may be found in Title 23 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 772, "Procedures for Abatement of Highway Traffic Noise and Construction Noise." The Federal Highway Administration noise regulations apply only to projects where a State transportation department has requested Federal funding for participation in the improvements. The State transportation department must determine if there will be traffic noise impacts, when a project is proposed for (1) the construction of a highway on new location or (2) the reconstruction of an existing highway to either significantly change the horizontal or vertical alignment or increase the number of through-traffic lanes. If the State transportation department identifies potential impacts, it must implement abatement measures, possibly including the construction of noise barriers, where reasonable and feasible. Federal law and Federal Highway Administration regulations do not require State transportation departments to build noise barriers along existing highways where no other highway improvements are planned. They may voluntarily do so, but they are solely responsible for making this decision. <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/keepdown.htm>. See next page for pictures of existing noise barriers along Georgia's highways.

Figure 1  
TIP Road Improvements

- 1 I-16 Widening
- 2 SR11/US41 Rocky Creek Bridge
- 3 I-75 Widening
- 4 I-75/I-16 Interchange
- 5 I-16/M.L. King Jr. Bridge
- 6 Forest Hill Rd Bridge
- 7 Jeffersonville Road
- 8 Forest Hill Road
- 9 SR 87 Streetscape
- 10 Enoch Dr. Bike Lane
- 11 Winship Rd. Bike Lane
- 12 Pizza Ave. Bike Lane
- 13 SR 49 @ Railroad



NOTE: Projects are not listed by priority

These maps were prepared by the  
MACON-BIBB COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION  
for the MACON AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

## Transportation Improvements Update

The Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration and the Georgia Department of Transportation are working diligently to make necessary road improvements on Macon and Bibb County Transportation networks to increase safety, security and connectivity. Below is a brief summary of the major road projects that are currently under construction in Macon—Bibb County:

PI # 0009821 - 55.3 miles of guardrail and cable barrier installation on I-16 from SR 87 to CR 96 (Thairdell Road), beginning in Bibb county, thru Twiggs, Bleckley and Laurens. Contract awarded to Anatek, Inc. for \$ 4,714,991.30; estimated completion date is December 31, 2012. This project will be managed by the Tennille office in District 2.

PI #'s M004271 and M004272 – 5.179 miles of milling, inlay, plant mix resurfacing on SR 247 beginning south of Echeconnee Creek and extending to Liberty Church Road and on SR 22 beginning at SR 11 (Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd) and extending south of the Ocmulgee River. Contract awarded to Reeves Construction Company for \$ 2,776,709.22; estimated completion date is February 29, 2012

### I-75 @ Sardis Church Road

The removal of the existing roadway slabs in the NB lanes has been completed. The next step is to setup the sub grade, grade to typical section, lay Graded Aggregate Base (GAB), then do the asphalt paving for the base to the new concrete paving. Concrete paving on the SB entrance and exit ramps has begun and should be completed by the end of June. Grading continues on the NB entrance and exit ramps with the concrete paving to be completed by the end of July. Work on Sardis Church Road including the new intersection with Frank Amer-son Parkway as well as the Skipper Road/ Nowell Road intersection is continuing and is anticipated to be completed the last quarter of 2011.

### Ocmulgee East Blvd: I-16 to Weaver Road

Paving on Weaver Road should be finished by June 15. Additional paving on Ocmulgee East Blvd will continue after that with all asphalt work with the exception of the final riding surface to be completed by July 1. Concrete paving on the exit ramp from EB I-16 to Ocmulgee East Blvd is continuing and will be completed by July 15.

### I-75 between Pierce Avenue and Arkwright Road

The contractor is on schedule for the current completion date of May 31, 2013. Pouring activities for the new bridge deck for Riverview Road are scheduled to begin next week and should be completed by the end of June with the entire bridge to be opened sometime around Thanksgiving or shortly thereafter. Work is continuing on the bridges over Sabbath Creek, Arkwright Road and Pierce Avenue. Placement of temporary asphalt for staging of traffic in the NB lanes is set to begin June 13 and traffic may be moved around in various configurations until this work is completed. Work on MSE walls and the sound walls has not begun and a proposed start- ing date for this work has not been submitted.

## DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING

### APRIL 4, 2011

**334 COLLEGE STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of a screened porch and sidewalk, HR-3 District. **Bickley Design Build Services, Applicant.** APPROVED as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

### APRIL 18, 2011

**743 ORANGE STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of a front porch, HC District. **James Amodeo, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

**905 HIGH STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow demolition of a structure and construction of a new building (classroom/gym), HR-3 District. **Kamal Azar/Azar Walsh Architects, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

**324 BUFORD PLACE:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of an addition to a sun room and exterior modifications, HR-1 District. **Shannon Fickling, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

### JUNE 6, 2011

**572-580 CHERRY STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to design approval of exterior modifications, CBD-1 District. **Robert Brown, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting with the following suggestions:

- The finish on the new storefront modification should consist of the same materials;
- Planters may be uses;
- Save materials on storefront to be used inside of the building; and
- Window and roll-up door may match in design, if desired

**179 ORANGE STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of a deck addition to an existing dwelling, HR-3 District. **Ken Hill, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

**301 WALNUT STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of exterior modifications (design and materials), CBD-1 District. **C. Terry Holland, Applicant.** The Design Review board made the following recommendations:

- Approval of demolition of two (2) buildings;
- Approval of design and materials for exterior modifications
- Reduce parking lot slope to 5%; and
- The design canopy was DEFERRED to allow the applicant to revise canopy design.

### JUNE 20, 2011

**707 PINE STREET/689 FIRST STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of a wall sign, CBD-1 District. **Kim Reeves/Macon Signs, Applicant.** Approved as submitted at the Design Review Board meeting.

**301 WALNUT STREET:** Certificate of Appropriateness to allow design approval of exterior modifications (design and materials of a gas canopy), CBD-1 District. **C. Terry Holland, Applicant.** DEFERRED

### Design Review Board

Robert Apsley  
Bob Burnham  
Cass Hatcher  
C. Terry Holland  
Russell "Rusty" Poss, II  
Rob Sumowski

### DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The regularly scheduled meetings for the Design Review Board are the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at 2:00PM. Meetings are held in the Willie C. Hill Annex Building—10th Floor, P & Z Conference Room at 682 Cherry Street, Macon, GA.

### Policy Committee

Chairman – Sam Hart, Chairman, Bibb County Commission  
Vice-Chairman – Robert Reichert, Mayor, City of Macon

#### Voting Members

- Elmo Richardson – Chairman, Bibb County Finance Committee
- Joe Allen – Chairman, Bibb County Public Works Committee
- Miriam Paris - President, Macon City Council
- Lonnie Miley - Chairman, City of Macon Public Works Committee
- Frank Amerson – Chairman, Macon Water Authority
- Tom Hudson – Chairman, Macon Transit Authority
- Sarah Gerwig—Moore – Chairman, Macon-Bibb County P & Z Comm.
- Dan Fischer – Chairman, MATS Citizen’s Advisory Committee
- Sharon Mobley – Mayor, Payne City
- Tommy Robinson – Commissioner, Jones County Commission
- Bert Liston – Commissioner, Jones County Commission
- Larry Childs – Commissioner, Jones County Commission
- Tom McMichael – Chairman, Middle Ga Regional Commission
- Vance Smith, Jr. – Commissioner, Ga Dept. of Transportation

#### Non-voting Members

- Jim Thomas – Exec. Director, Macon-Bibb County P & Z Comm.
- Thomas Thomas – Chief Adm. Officer, City of Macon
- Bill Causey – Manager, City Engineering Department
- Ken Sheets – Bibb County Engineer
- Nigel Floyd – Macon-Bibb County Traffic Engineer
- Clifford Whitby – Chairman, Macon-Bibb Co. Industrial Authority
- Bob Lewis – Chairman, Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority
- Milton Appling – Chairman, Jones County Planning Commission
- Ralph Nix – Executive Director, Middle Georgia Regional Commission
- Sidney Ross – 8th Dist. Rep., Ga. State Transportation Board
- Rodney Barry – Division Administrator, FHWA
- Vacant – Local Representative, State of Georgia

#### POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

The regularly scheduled meetings for the Policy Committee are the 1st Wednesday in February, April, August and November. Meetings are held at 9:30AM in the Bibb County Engineering Annex Building at 780 Third Street, Macon, GA.

### Macon Area Transportation Study Committee Policy Committee

**NOTICE:** The **MAY 18, 2011** meeting of the MATS (Macon Area Transportation Study) Policy Committee was held in the Bibb County Engineering Annex, 760 Third Street, Macon, Georgia 31201 beginning at 9:30AM.

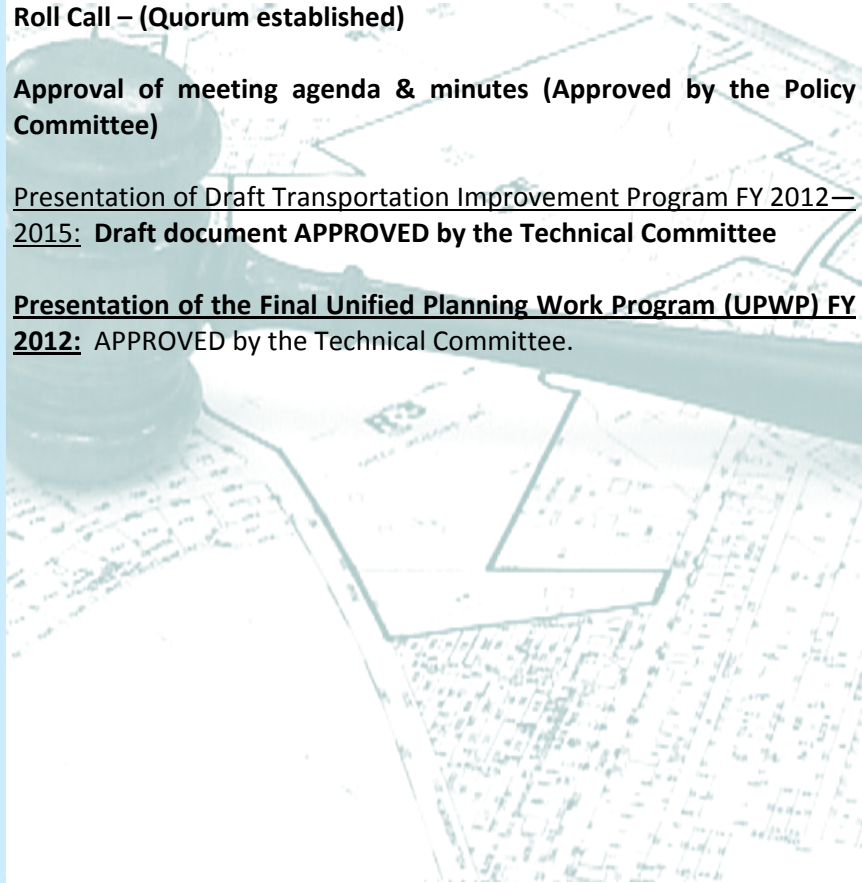
#### MATS POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING RESULTS SUMMARY FOR MAY 18, 2011

**Roll Call – (Quorum established)**

**Approval of meeting agenda & minutes (Approved by the Policy Committee)**

**Presentation of Draft Transportation Improvement Program FY 2012—2015: Draft document APPROVED by the Technical Committee**

**Presentation of the Final Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 2012: APPROVED by the Technical Committee.**



## Quarterly Rezoning Action

### April 2011—June 2011

April 25, 2011 Hearing - 1602 MONTPELIER AVENUE:

Proposal to rezone from C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District and R-3 Multi-Family Residential District to PDE, Planned Development Extraordinary District. The purpose of this rezoning is to allow mixed-use development (commercial and residential). **Sierra Development/ZT3 Placemaker Studio, Applicant.**



*Mercer Village: Phase 1*

## MBPZ COMMISSIONERS

Rev. Arthur L. Hubbard County Appointed '08 Term Expires: 12/31/12	Kamal Azar City Appointed '09 Term Expires: 12/31/13	Sarah Gerwig—Moore, Chair City Appointed '07 Term Expires: 12/31/14	Al Tillman City Appointed '11 Term Expires: 01/31/15	Jacqueline A. Hightower, Vice Chair City Appointed '06 Term Expires: 12/31/11
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The Macon-Bibb County Planning & Zoning Commission meets regularly each month on the second and fourth Mondays at 1:30PM in the City Council chambers located in City Hall, in addition to noon pre-meetings prior to each hearing. The five member Commission is appointed for 5-year periods, with the county and city governing authorities making the appointments in alternate years.

## Citizens Advisory Committee

**Chairman** – Dan Fischer, County District 3

**Vice Chairman** – Ron Lemon, County District 2

### Members

James H. Webb—City Ward 1

**Vacant – City Ward 2**

Michael Ryan – City Ward 3

Anthony E. Cunningham – City Ward 4

Stella Tsai – City Ward 5

**Vacant – County District 1**

**Vacant – County District 4**

Tim Thornton – County at large

Tony Blash – Jones County Representative

Lindsay Holliday, League of Women Voters Rep.

**Vacant – Older American Council Rep.**

**Vacant – Macon Housing Authority Rep.**

**Vacant – Board of Education Representative**

Willie Wright – Bike/Pedestrian Representative

David Scott – Transit Ridership Rep.

Susan Hanberry-Martin - Environmental Rep.

Mary Ann Richardson - Disabled Population Rep.

Yvonne Harvey – Disabled Transit User Rep.

Nicholas Pietrzak – Neighborhood Representative

### CAC MEETING SCHEDULE

The regularly scheduled meetings for the Citizens Advisory Committee are the 2nd Wednesday in January, March, July and October. Meetings are held at 5:00PM in the Willie C. Hill Annex Building—10th Floor, P & Z Conference Room at 682 Cherry Street, Macon, GA.

## Macon Area Transportation Study Committee

### Citizens Advisory Committee

**NOTICE:** The **MAY 11, 2011** meeting of the MATS (Macon Area Transportation Study) Citizens Advisory Committee was held in the 10<sup>th</sup> floor conference room of Macon – Bibb Planning and Zoning Commission, Willie C. Hill Annex Building, 682 Cherry Street, Macon, Georgia 31201 beginning at 5:00PM. The information below provides a summary of some of the action taken at the meeting.

### MATS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### MEETING RESULTS

#### SUMMARY FOR MAY 11, 2011

### Presentation of Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FY 2012-2015:

The CAC made several motions to be forwarded to the Policy Committee on this agenda item. A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Draft TIP as presented. During the discussion, the following amendments were presented:

Jeffersonville Road: **Motion #1:** Motion to eliminate the continuous left-turn (middle) lane and utilize the resulting space for bike/pedestrian lanes on both sides of the roadway for all 3 sections of Jeffersonville Road. **Motion Passed.**

Forest Hill Road: **Motion #2:** Motion to eliminate the continuous left-turn (middle) lane between Wimbish Road and Northside Drive and utilize the resulting space for bike/pedestrian lanes on both sides of the roadway; reduce the four-lane section from Wimbish Road to Ridge Avenue to 3 lanes and utilize the resulting space for bike/pedestrian lanes. **Motion Passed.**

**Page 64:** Project History: Forest Hill Road History – **Motion #3:** It was mentioned that the project history description of Forest Hill Road does not reflect all of the public's opposition. A motion was made and properly seconded that the Forest Hill Road Project History should reflect that opposition has been continuous, broad and growing. **Motion Passed.**

### Presentation of the Final Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP):

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the Final UPWP. **Motion Passed.**

### Presentation of Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendment:

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the amendment as presented. **Motion Passed.**

## Macon Area Transportation Study Committee Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

**NOTICE:** The **MAY 11, 2011** meeting of the MATS (Macon Area Transportation Study) Technical Coordinating Committee was held in the 10<sup>th</sup> floor conference room of Macon – Bibb Planning and Zoning Commission, Willie C. Hill Annex Building, 682 Cherry Street, Macon, Georgia 31201 beginning at 10:00AM.

### MATS TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

#### MEETING RESULTS

#### SUMMARY FOR MAY 11, 2011

### Roll Call (Quorum established)

Approval of Minutes (Minutes from previous meeting approved)

Presentation of Draft Transportation Improvement Program FY 2012—2015: **Draft document APPROVED by the Technical Committee**

Presentation of the Final Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) FY 2012: **APPROVED by the Technical Committee.**

## Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

**Chairman** – Jim Thomas, MATS Project Director

**Vice-Chairman** – Tony Rojas, Macon Water Authority Director

### Voting Members

Ken Sheets – Bibb County Engineer

Virgil Adams – Bibb County Attorney

Jerry Modena – Bibb County Sheriff

Bill Causey – Manager, City of Macon Engineering Department

J. Pope Langstaff – City of Macon Attorney

Gene Simonds – Director, City of Macon Central Services

Lee Smith – Director, City of Macon Bureau of Inspections & Fees

Wanzina N. Jackson – Director, Economic & Community Development

Scott Coffman – Manager, Middle Georgia Regional Airport

Larry Smallwood – Chief, Macon-Bibb Co. Fire Department

Austin Riley – Macon Police Department

Jim Thomas – Exec. Director, Macon-Bibb County P & Z Comm.

Don Tussing – Trans. Planner, Macon-Bibb County P & Z Comm.

Audrey Connely – Chamber of Commerce, Transportation Committee

Sid Cherry – Executive Director, Urban Development Authority

Kathleen Bowden – Executive Director, Industrial Authority

Rick Jones – Director, Macon Transit Authority

Tim Pitrowski – Zoning Director, Jones County Zoning Office

Ralph Nix – Executive Director, Middle Georgia Regional Commission

Bob Rychel – Planning Director, Middle Georgia Regional Commission

Bill Rountree – Pre-construction Engineer, GDOT

Kelly Gwin – Transportation Planner, GDOT

Steve Kish – Transit Program Manager, GDOT

Nigel Floyd – Macon/ Bibb County Traffic Engineer

### Non-Voting Members

Dan Fischer – Chairman, MATS Citizens Advisory Committee

Ann—Marie Day – Planning Engineer, FHWA

Wayne Fedora – District Administrator, FHWA

Russell McMurry – Urban Design Engineer, GDOT

David Coleman – Area Engineer, GDOT

### TCC MEETING SCHEDULE

The regularly scheduled meetings for the Technical Coordinating Committee are the 3rd Wednesday in January, March, July and October. Meetings are held at 10:00AM in the Willie C. Hill Annex Building—10th Floor, P & Z Conference Room at 682 Cherry Street, Macon, GA.