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3	January 23, 2024		
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7		politan Planning Organization Board met on	
8	January 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Long Leaf Conference Room located at Central		
9	Pine Regional Council. The following peo	ople were in attendance:	
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11	Karen Howard Board Chair	City of Durham	
12	Javiera Cabellero Board Vice Chair Carl Rist*	Town of Carrboro	
13	Camille Berry*	City of Durham Town of Chapel	
14 15	Jamezetta Bedford	Orange County	
15	Wendy Jacobs	Durham County	
10	Danny Nowell	Town of Carrboro	
18	Michael Parker	GoTriangle	
19	Mark Bell	Town of Hillsborough	
20	Yolanda Jordan	Federal Highway Administration	
21	Lisa Mathis	NC Board of Transportation	
22	Melissa McCullough	Town of Chapel	
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24	Brandon Jones *	NCDOT, Division 5	
25 26	Chad Reimakoski*	NCDOT, Division 7	
26 27	Bryan Kluchar* Darlene Weaver*	NCDOT, Division 8 Orange County	
27	Amy Fowler*	Orange County	
28 29	Tina Moon*	Town of Carrboro	
30	Josh Mayo*	Town of Chapel Hill	
31	Ben Berolzheimer*	Town of Chapel Hill	
32	Bergen Watterson*	Town of Chapel Hill	
33	Caroline Dwyer*	Town of Chapel Hill	
34	Matt Cecil*	Chapel Hill Transit	
35	Matt Day	Central Pines Regional Council	
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37	Jay Heikes*	GoTriangle	
38	Geoff Green* Eric Vitale*	GoTriangle	
39 40	Bill Judge*	City of Durham City of Durham	
40 41	Tom Devlin*	City of Durham	
42	Matt Efird*	Town Hillsborough	
43	Julie Bogle*	NC Department of Transportation	
44	Thanh Schado*	Chatham County	
45	Ed Harrison*	•	
46	Catherine Fray*	Town of Carrboro	
47	Bryan Murphy	NCDOT- Traffic Safety Unit	
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55		Yanping Zhang	DCHC MPO
56		KC Chae	DCHC MPO
57		Jean Debnam	DCHC MPO
58 59		Madeline Galliano	DCHC MPO
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61		Quorum Count:	9 of 10 Voting Members
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63 64		Chair Karen How	ard called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A roll call was performed.
65	The V	oting Members and	Alternate Voting Members of the DCHC MPO Board were identified
66	and ar	e indicated above.	
67			PRELIMINARIES:
68	1.	Ethics Reminder	
69		The ethics remind	ler was not read aloud.
70	2.	Roll Call	
71		The roll call was p	performed by Doug Miller.
72	3.	Adjustments to	he Agenda
73		Chair Karen How	ard asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda. There were
74	no adj	ustments to the ag	enda.
75	4.	Public Commen	<u>ts</u>
76		Chair Karen How	ard asked if there were any members of the public comments. There
77	were r	no public comment	5.
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79			CONSENT AGENDA:
80 81 82	5.	<u>Approval of the</u> Jean Debnam, M	<u>December 13, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes</u> PO Staff

83 84 85 86 87	6. <u>FY 2024 UPWP Amendment #5</u> David Miller, MPO Staff Madeline Galliano, MPO Staff
88 89 90	7. <u>Triangle Mobility Hub Letter of Support</u> Jay Heikes, GoTriangle
91 92 93 94 95	8. <u>City of Durham Letter of Support Request to RAISE 24 for USDOT Grant</u> <u>Application</u> Eric Vitale, City of Durham
96	Javiera Cabellero made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Michael Parker
97 98 99	seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
100 101	ACTION ITEMS:
102 103 104 105	9. <u>Target for Safety Performance Measures</u> David Miller, MPO Staff Brian Murphy, NCDOT Traffic Safety Unit
105	David Miller gave an overview of the targets for safety performance measures stating
107	that MPOs may either agree to support the targets developed by the state, or they may
108	develop and adopt their own. The MPO must adopt the safety performance measures by
109	February 27, 2024. Mr. Miller introduces Brian Murphy, Traffic Safety Systems Engineer from
110	NCDOT's Traffic Safety Unit, who provided an overview of the safety performance measures
111	and share safety data specific to the DCHC MPO urbanized area. MPO staff recommends
112	supporting the state's safety targets by resolution. The attached resolution includes NCDOT's
113	safety performance measure targets, and the attached presentation provides additional
114	background and information.
115	Brian Murphy walked the Board through the statewide safety data trends and how the
116	trends correspond to the safety targets. He stated whether the MPO adopts the State plan or
117	not, it is all guided by the 2019 State Highway Strategic Plan whose Goal is the reduce all
118	fatalities by 2035. The last assessment revealed that the we did not meet or make significant
119	progress towards those performance targets. Melissa McCullough stated given the vehicle
120	crash rate is much greater if a vehicle is big, she would like to see the type of vehicles on the
121	crash rate report.
122	Michael Parker asked about changes has NCDOT made to try to do better at meeting
123	the target goal. Brian Murphy answered that the consequences for not meeting those goals is

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NCDOT must spend all their federal safety funding and also, they have to do more reporting and develop a plan each year to state how they plan to spend the funding. Mr. Murphy said

126 NCDOT can focus on low-cost efforts in rural areas that have tremendous impacts on safety.

127 Michael Parker asked why the state was raising speed limits when it is evident that 128 speed has a negative impact that increases fatalities.

Wendy Jacobs said we should get serious about our safety. Ms. Jacobs referred the board to an article from the New York Times "Why are Americans driving so deadly". The article agrees with the MPO's discussion that we are designing speedways, and speed is not being enforced and the behaviors of motorist. Wendy Jacobs said more people died in Durham riding bikes and crossing streets than due to gun violence.

Javiera requested to add data from other states who have been aggressive with their
 safety efforts so we can see how other communities are tackling the safety issue.

Camille Berry asked if Mr. Murphy could look at presenting different opportunities for setting more realistic goals. Ms. Berry also suggested we consider having two visits not so close to the end of the year to discuss these issues.

Doug Plachcinski commended NCDOT for their work on vision zero action and he plans to coordinate some return visits to this discussion and to gather information from the Safe Streets for All grant. Through the SS4A grant we have letters of interest for consultants and a broad supported stakeholder process set up with the hopes of having a consultant by March. This process should help with improving our process.

144 Chair Karen Howard asked for Chatham County numbers to be added to the report and 145 she asked if we could see percentages based on the population growth.

Javiera Cabellero requested adding whether drivers were insured or uninsured. Brian
 responded that he could investigate all these requests.

Michael Parker made a motion to adopt the resolution that supports state safety targets.
Jamezetta Bedford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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## 151 **10.** Public Hearing: Amendment #1 to the FY 2024-2033 Transportation Improvement 152 Program (TIP) 153 Filmon Fishastion, MPO Staff

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Colleen McGue filled in for Filmon Fishastion. Mrs. McGue asked for a motion to open the public hearing. Javiera Cabellero moved to open the public hearing. Jamezetta Bedford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Colleen asked for public comments. There were no public comments. Javiera Caballero moved to close the public comments. 159 Jamezetta Bedford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Colleen discussed

- Amendment #1 to the FY2024-2033 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which included
- the addition of funding to existing projects as well as adding new projects from the FY24 Call for
- 162 Projects. The amendment also includes carryover adjustments from FY2020-2029 TIP
- Amendments 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, and 16. These amendments were already approved by the Board in previous meetings and are reissued for administrative purposes to reconcile data between the
- old and new plans, ensuring a more seamless transition into the State TIP (STIP).
- Additional projects in this amendment include Item N updates from NCDOT (state provided amendments and modifications), and other such project updates that fall under administrative modifications. Two projects from Item N are not being amended into the TIP at this time as they are not in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); they are HN-0013 Erwin Road turn lanes, and HN-0014 Cornwallis Road turn lanes.
- Jamezetta Bedford made a motion to approve Amendment #1. Javiera Cabellero
   seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
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## 174 **11.** <u>FY2024 UPWP Draft</u> 175 **David Miller, MPO Staff** 176 **Madeline Galliano, MPO Staff**

177 David Miller presented the FY 2024 Draft and explained that the DCHC MPO is 178 required by federal regulations to prepare an annual Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) 179 that details and guides the urban area transportation planning activities. Funding for the UPWP 180 is provided by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. The 181 UPWP must identify MPO planning tasks to be performed with the use of federal transportation 182 funds. Mr. Miller discussed a few of the priorities of the UPWP. 183 Wendy Jacobs asked if the Chapel Hill Transit High-Priority Transit Corridor Feasibility 184 185 Study would interface with what Durham is doing with their corridors. Doug Plachcinski said 186 there will be it is part of the Scope Development Study. 187 Carl Rist asked for an explanation of the Fast Study 2 and The Local Project Delivery 188 Study. Doug Plachcinski explained both studies. Mark Bell made a motion to release the FY2024 UPWP draft for public comment. Lisa 189 190 Mathis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 191 192 193 194

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## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

## 12. <u>Public Hearing and Destination 2055 Goals and Objectives Engagement Updates</u> Kelly Fomenko, MPO Staff Andy Henry, MPO Saff Colleen McGue, MPO Staff

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Karen Howard asked for a motion to open the public hearing. Javiera Cabellero made a motion to open the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Lisa Mathis. The motion passed unanimously. Kelly Fomenko asked if there was anyone who wished to speak. There was no one present or online. Lisa Mathis made a motion to close the public hearing. Javiera Cabellero seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

207 Kelly Fomenko gave an overview of the Destination Goals and Objectives Engagement 208 updates she reminded the Board that the 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is the 209 long-range transportation plan that covers the Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO) and the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization 210 (CAMPO) regional boundaries. This plan is updated every four years and this update is being 211 led with the campaign name of "Destination 2055". The update of this plan is extensive and 212 generally takes two years to complete. Engagement is guided through a Public Engagement 213 Strategy which was approved for use by both MPO Boards in late 2023. 214 The first engagement phase for Destination 2055 starts with the visioning process, 215 which looks at the goals and objectives of the plan. The goals and objectives survey was 216 publicly released on November 16, 2023 and closed on January 15, 2024. Public hearings 217 were scheduled at the CAMPO Board meeting on January 17 and at the DCHC MPO 218 Board meeting on January 23, prior to the joint CAMPO and DCHC MPO Board 219 220 meeting to occur on January 31. Other engagement efforts included: pop-up events at Durham Station, the Boxyard, and 221 222 the Regional Transit Center; newspaper advertisements in the Triangle Tribunal, Que Pasa, 223 and the News & Observer; and direct outreach to community groups. 224 **REPORTS**: 225 226 13. Report of Board Chair 227 Karen Howard, DCHC MPO Board Chair 228 229

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- There was no report from the Chair.
- 14. <u>Report from the Technical Committee Chair</u> Nishith Trivedi, TC Chair

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235	There was no report from the TC Chair.
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237	15. <u>Report from the MPO Staff</u>
238	Douglas Plachcinski, AICP, CFM, DCHC MPO Executive Director
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240	Doug Plachcinski reported has new members joining the MPO Staff in March. And
241	gave and update on the Safe Streets for All.
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243	16. <u>NCDOT REPORTS</u>
244	Lisa Mathis, NCDOT Board Transportation
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245	Lisa Mathis reported that under the new teen drivers' law, the Level I license has
216	increased nine months. Mrs. Mathis also gave Booze it or lose it campaign and the Governors
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247	Highway Safety Program.
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257	Reuben Blakley, NCDOT Division 8
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269	Nick Morrison, NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division
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273	17. <u>Recent News Articles</u>
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275	ADJOURMENT:
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