BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
OHIO-KENTUCKY-INDIANA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
JUNE 11, 2020 - 10:30 A.M.
TELECONFERENCE

AGENDA

• Call to Order
• Pledge of Allegiance

ITEM #1: ADMINISTRATIVE

A. President’s Announcements
   • FY 2021 Intermodal Coordinating Committee
     (Motion to concur with the President’s appointments)

B. Approval of May 14, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
   (Motion to approve and/or amend minutes)

C. Executive Director’s Report
   (No action required)

D. Finance Officer’s Report
   (Motion to accept and file report)

ITEM #2: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF THE COUNCIL FISCAL YEAR 2021 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS

The Council adopts a Budget annually which is used as an internal tool for measuring inflow of revenues and outlay of funds. It is also used as a management tool for the Board to evaluate programs and projects of the Council and review the outlay of funds against a benchmark. The attached Fiscal Year 2021 Budget is proposed to meet the federal requirements of the MPO as well as address the desires of the local elected officials.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution 2020-17
ITEM #3:  ADOPTION OF THE OKI 2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Staff will present the OKI 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for adoption. This Plan replaces the existing 2040 Plan and meets all the requirements related to the metropolitan transportation planning process prescribed in USC Titles 23 and 49.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-18

Item #4:  FEDERAL RAIL ADMINISTRATION CONSOLIDATED RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS (CRISI) PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATIONS

The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) issued a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) on April 17, 2020 for the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program aimed at improving transportation safety, efficiency, and reliability as authorized under the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

In late April, two private, Cincinnati-based companies, in partnership with the City of Cincinnati, CSXT and Genesee & Wyoming railroads, approached OKI staff about potential CRISI applications. OKI staff have been investigating:
• a potential submission with Cincinnati Bulk Terminals to construct an overhead conveyor system that would replace approximately 40,000 annual truck trips across Mehring Way in an existing Opportunity Zone; and,
• a potential submission with Benchmark River and Rail Terminals, LLC to improve at-grade rail crossing safety and traffic signal preemption along US 50 (River Road).

All local match will be covered by the private company or sub-recipient. OKI staff would provide critical grant planning and development and high-level administrative support. OKI will act as the pass through agent in the event of a CRISI award.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution 2020-19

ITEM #5:  RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES FOR THE COUNCIL

The success and cost effectiveness of this arrangement, leads staff to request authority to retain the professional services of HR Elements for Fiscal Year 2021. The consultant will continue to work in the OKI offices on a negotiated schedule.

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract for Fiscal Year 2021 services with HR Elements at a cost not to exceed $90,000.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution 2020-20
ITEM #6: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RETAINING 4BIS.COM AS SUPPORT FOR THE COUNCIL COMPUTER ADMINISTRATION

The Council has used the services of a consultant as a cost effective method of maintaining the OKI computer network and related technical computer issues. The consultant provides ongoing software and hardware services in an array of administrative and programmatic technical areas. The consultant works one day per week in the OKI offices and is available 24/7 as emergency needs require. The high competency level of this consultant and their knowledge of complex technical/administrative networks, leads staff to request authority to retain the professional services of 4BIS.com for Fiscal Year 2021, at authority level of $48,000. OKI Resolution 2020-21 requests authorization from the Executive Committee to retain the professional services of 4BIS.com during FY 2021 at a maximum amount not to exceed $48,000.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-21

ITEM #7: INTERMODAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Amendment #9 of the OKI Fiscal years 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program

The amendment reflected in the proposed resolution includes one transit project in Ohio. The project is exempt from air quality conformity requirements. The TIP is periodically amended, as needed, to reflect additions, deletions or revisions to programmed projects.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-22

B. Amendment #1 of the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

The amendment reflected in the proposed resolution includes one highway project in Ohio. The project is exempt from air quality conformity requirements. The TIP is periodically amended, as needed, to reflect additions, deletions or revisions to programmed projects.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-23

ITEM #8: FY 2021 SECTION 604(b) WATER QUALITY SUB GRANT (OHIO EPA)

The FY 2021 Ohio EPA Area wide water quality planning agreement includes federal pass-through funds in an amount of $51,657.14 under Section 604(b) of the federal Clean Water Act. OKI will develop a scope of services which details the water quality management planning activities that it will undertake in Ohio during SFY2021. The total cost for these activities, including OKI local funds for direct expenses, would not exceed $51,657.14.
Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-24

ITEM #9:  SFY 2021 OHIO WATER QUALITY AREAWIDE FUNDING AGREEMENT

The SFY 2021 Ohio EPA Area wide water quality planning agreement includes $75,000 of state pass-through funds from the state Biennium Budget. OKI will develop a scope of services which details the water quality management planning activities that it will undertake in Ohio during SFY2021. The total cost for these activities, including OKI local funds for direct expenses, would not exceed $75,000.

Action Recommended: Approval of Resolution OKI 2020-25

ITEM #10:  OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM #11:  ADJOURNMENT