

**Technical Coordinating
Committee Minutes**

City Department

Metropolitan Planning Organization

Meeting Location:

Annex Conference Room, Ground Floor

Date: November 13, 2008

Time: 10:30 a.m. Adjournment 10:50 a. m.

Committee Members Present:

Tracy Robertson (Saundra Hunter), Felton Grant, Ron Hamlett, Tom Queen (David Millen), Vance Beck (Steve Haynes), John Gwen (Angel Moore), Patti Cullen, David George

Committee Members Absent:

Rick Jones, David Arrington, Robert Hughes, Rick Gohde, Bubba Roberts, Kenneth Holloway, Ken Cush, Mark Oropeza

Felton Grant called the November 13, 2008 TCC Meeting to order. Annette Gore called the roll. Mr. Grant asked for a motion to approve the minutes from last meeting. Ron Hamlett made a motion to approve the minutes. Vance Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried. All approved.

Tom Queen gave the GA Highway Status Report.

Vance Beck gave the AL Highway Status Report.

Ron Hamlett asked about the section of US 280 between Opelika Rd north to the US 80 Off Ramp is extremely congested just after dark each day & in need for street lighting. While the Off Ramp @ US 280 has street lighting for this Intersection, the rest of this segment is completely dark. I have personally experienced uncertainty trying to find the median break to travel from southbound US 280 to turn left onto the US 80 On Ramp to travel back toward Columbus. You not only have difficulty finding the median break, but you also have trouble determining if the northbound vehicles are in the right turn lane for the ramp or in the thru lane headed toward Opelika.

The installation of street lighting along this segment will greatly improve the safety & efficiency during night time travel. As a member of the Columbus Phenix City Technical Coordination Committee, I request that the Alabama DOT & Phenix City Engineering make a serious attempt in finding funding for this street lighting project.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.