

**Louisville - Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project
Kentucky Historic Preservation Advisory Team
Meeting – April 19, 2007
CTS-GEC Conference Room**

Opening Remarks: Mr. Bart Bryant, KYTC Co-Chair; Ms. Janie-Rice Brother, KHC Co-Chair

Mr. Bryant started the meeting by explaining he was sitting in the Co-chair position for Ms. Wayna Roach as she was on vacation. Mr. Bryant and Ms. Brother then welcomed Ms. Donna Neary, the new KY-SHPO to the meeting.

Mr. Bryant indicated that KYTC was actively pursuing a presentation for the June KHPAT on the exploratory tunnel. He also added that an open house for the exploratory tunnel was tentatively scheduled for June 5, 2007 at Springdale Community Church.

Butchertown Final HPP Development: Mr. Kevin Senninger, CTS-GEC

Mr. Senninger noted the minor changes that have occurred in the Final HPP since the last meeting.

Mr. Segrest asked for clarification of the Kentucky Heritage Council letters to KYTC regarding the Witherspoon/Geiger alignment. Ms. Brother explained that the first letter was sent to request further consideration be given to the Geiger Street alignment as it would apparently benefit the neighborhood. The second letter was sent to acknowledge that the proposed alignment of Witherspoon would have no effect to the District. Mr. Segrest reiterated Butchertown's support for the Geiger Street Extension. The neighborhood feels the Witherspoon alignment is the most disruptive to the potential archaeological features that could be present.

Mr. Segrest also noted the HPP recommendation favors the Geiger Street Extension as does Louisville Metro Government. Mr. Bryant responded the Bi-State Management Team (BSMT) favors and will be advancing the Witherspoon Alignment and allowed recognition of Ratio's recommendation in the HPP.

Mr. Segrest expressed concern and stated the government should not limit professional opinions in the case of the Witherspoon/Geiger Street decision.

As discussions continued Ms. Betsy Merritt, National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP), stated she was uncomfortable adopting a plan that Butchertown did not endorse. Ms. Brother stated the HPP should reflect recommendations that can be adopted by Louisville Metro Government.

Mr. Segrest requested that the agenda return to him towards the end of the meeting at which time he should be ready to make a recommendation.

Country Estates of River Road/River Road Corridor (CERR/RRC) HPP Development: Mr. Michael Matts, CTS-GEC

Ms. Leslie Barras, River Fields requested that a working session be convened in the upcoming weeks to provide ample time for discussion of their comments. Upon discussion amongst the members and the Co-chairs, a work session was scheduled for May 11, 2007 from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM at CTS-GEC. The intent of the session would be to continue the review of the CERR/RRC Draft HPP.

River Fields feels the African American information in the Draft HPP is undervalued. It was requested that more information be incorporated into the plan as a separate piece. Also, it was clarified that Jacobs School Road is in the Prospect area and not in Prospect.

Ms. Barras requested the direct impacts be focused on, not just indirect and cumulative effects. It was asked that the Indirect/Cumulative effects that were addressed in the Area of Potential Effects (APE) during the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process be brought forward into the HPP rational for growth, and to assess growth management issues.

Ms. Barras and Ms. Merritt stated the CERR/RRC HPP should be treated as a national model for mega projects so the plan should be structured in more of a user friendly way.

It was questioned by several in attendance who would be the intended user(s) of this specific HPP; Louisville Metro Government and small cities/towns within the area.

Ms. Barras inquired as to the estimated timeframe for completing the HPP. Ms. Turn indicated that it was the goal to have an approved HPP by the end of the year 2007.

East End - SDC4 Update: Mr. Jerry Leslie, H.W. Lochner

Mr. Leslie explained the Emergency access alternate coming from River Road running parallel to the Section 4 design on the upper river side was chosen by the BSMT.

The contract for the exploratory tunnel will be let on June 22, 2007.

River Fields and the National Trust want to discuss blasting vibration impacts especially at Allison-Barrickman and Drumanard and Strater House. Mr. Leslie noted these properties are designated as no work zones. He also stated that KYTC monitored blasting for the relocation of the KY 841 ramps and modeled the area for possible sites of impact.

Further discussion will occur with River Fields and City of Prospect after the work session on May 11, 2007.

Final Comments: Mr. Jeff Vlach, CTS-GEC

As no further comments were made by the members, the meeting returned to Mr. Segrest regarding a recommendation for approval of the Butchertown HPP. Mr. Segrest made the motion to work with KHC/ KY-SHPO to resolve issue and bring a recommendation to the May 11, 2007 working session. Ms. Neary, KYSHPO agreed to a meeting with Butchertown aside from the KHPAT. He also stated a vote could be determined via email and carried to the BSHCT.

Mr. Vlach noted any comments for consideration by the Co-chairs should be made in writing by the close of business on May 4, 2007.

Mr. Vlach stated written comments should be sent to CTS-GEC, 305 N. Hurstbourne Ln. Ste. 100, Louisville, KY 40222.

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TEAM ATTENDEES**

Co-chairs: Bart Bryant – Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Janie-Rice Brother – Kentucky Heritage Council

Kentucky State Historic Preservation Officer: Donna Neary

City of Prospect: Ann Simms

Butchertown Neighborhood Assoc., Inc.: Jim Segrest

Louisville Metro Planning and Design: Aida Copic

Louisville Metro Historic Preservation: Richard Jett

River Fields, Inc.: Leslie Barras

National Trust for Historic Preservation: Betsy Merritt (on telephone)

CTS – GEC: Jeff Vlach
Christa Turner
Chad Costa
John Sacksteder
Kevin Senninger
Michael Matts

SDC 4: Jerry Leslie
Sandy Stevens

Audience: Lee Douglas Walker
Bill Hanson
Kristen Leggett
Chris Jones
Jenny Eggenpiller
Amanda Abner