

**Louisville - Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project
Indiana and Kentucky Historic Preservation Advisory Team
Meeting – February 14, 2008
TARC Administration Building**

Opening Remarks: Mr. John Sacksteder, CTS-GEC

Mr. Vlach opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. The members in attendance were asked to identify themselves and their affiliation. Meeting attendees are included at the end of this summary.

Swartz Farm Rural Historic District Update - Mr. John Carr, IN SHPO and Ms. Mary Kennedy, INDOT

Mr. Carr and Ms. Kennedy stated that the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT), the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer (IN SHPO) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) were developing an amendment to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) due to the demolition of the Swartz Farm house by the property owner. A possible mitigation measure under consideration was relocation of the Central Passage House (CPH) to the Swartz Farm property.

Mr. Sekula questioned if negotiations with the Gottbrath family for the purchase of the property had been continuing prior to the demolition. Mr. Boone stated that the INDOT was pursuing this acquisition, but were waiting for an appraisal prior to proceeding. Mrs. Kennedy added that the property owners had rights to their property. Mr. Sekula acknowledged these rights, but questioned why INDOT did not pursue the acquisition of the property as a part of the Project. He also stated that the contributing houses in the Old Jeffersonville Historic District could face a similar fate if INDOT did not receive any prior notice of demolition.

Overhead Lighting Presentation for Section 5

Mr. Slade and Mr. Carr presented the results of the recommendations of the HPATs in regard to lightning for the East End Bridge. As a result of this input from Workshop #3 (December 13, 2007), SDC 5 recommended to the BSHCT on January 15, 2008 that Option #2 – Classic White be adopted and advanced to the BSMT for approval. The BSMT concurred with this recommendation, and it was advanced to the combined HPATs at this meeting. The following questions were asked of SDC 5:

- Are the renderings in the PowerPoint (PP) to scale?
- Will the concrete in the structure be colored? Is there still time to make comments on the choice of color? Are the colors that are proposed for use the choices preferred from the prior Workshops?

-Where is the beginning point for the pedestrian access across the bridge? Will the access point to the trail at River Road be constructed? It appears that this access point issue is not yet resolved.

Overhead Lighting Presentation for Section 1

Mr. Sutherland described the lighting recommendations of SDC 1 for use in the Downtown. SDC 1 had recommended to the BSMT that the following choices be adopted. With the concurrence of the BSMT, the recommendation were to be advanced to the KHPAT at this meeting. The BSHCT concurred with this course of action at their meeting of January 15, 2008. Therefore, SDC 1 recommended that these choices be adopted:

Lighting – High Pressure Sodium (HPS) for the mainline, ramps and at street level
Fixtures – Holophane Mongoose
Underpasses – Prismatic fixtures
Materials – Brushed aluminum which would resemble the limestone color of the Project area

Mr. Segrest requested that SDC 1 provide street level renderings of lighting patterns on the side streets. Mr. Sutherland stated that this was beyond their software program capabilities and could not be provided. Concern was also expressed that the lighting in the Downtown (Kentucky) would affect the viewshed from Jeffersonville (Indiana).

Discussion ensued about the use of the recommended fixture type. The KIM Archetype and the Holophane Mongoose were discussed for the interstate mainline and ramp environment. It was noted that the use of the Mongoose would require fewer poles. A motion was made and seconded for use of the Mongoose. A vote was taken of the KHPAT members and passed. It passed with the caveat that, if another type of fixture is found, the motion could be modified for consideration of that design type.

Final Comments: Mr. John Sacksteder, CTS-GEC

It was recommended that an update of the MOA status and changes that had been made in the five years since the signing of the MOA be made at the ensuing HPAT meetings. It was requested that a presentation be given that discusses each stipulation of the MOA. This presentation was requested after the distribution of each six month progress report.

A question was raised about the opportunity for the HPATs to comment on the proposed pedestrian access along the Big Four Bridge. It was stated that this could be an agenda item for the HPATs in April 2008.

A question was asked about the possible tolling of the bridges, specifically HPAT review and comment on the design of the tolling facilities. It was indicated that this was not a

part of the current design of any of the design consultants. If utilized, electronic tolling would (most likely) be used.

Mr. Sacksteder noted that any additional comments for consideration by the Co-chairs should be made in writing by the close of business on February 29, 2008. In addition, the final bridge design workshop (combined HPAT meeting) was scheduled for March 27, 2008 at 300 Spring Street in Jeffersonville.

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HPAT Co-chairs: John Carr – IN SHPO Representative; Mary Kennedy – INDOT;
Amanda Abner – KYTC; David Pollack – KY SHPO

INDOT: Paul Boone

KYTC: Matt Bullock; Jadie Tomlinson

Butchertown Neighborhood: Jim Segrest

Phoenix Hill Neighborhood: Doug Magee

City of Prospect: Ann Simms; Sandra Leonard

Louisville Metro Historic Preservation: Richard Jett

River Fields, Inc.: Meme Sweets Runyon

City of Jeffersonville: Jim Urban

Clark County: Carl Kramer

Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana: Greg Sekula

Jeffersonville Historic Preservation Commission: Laura Renwick

Rose Hill Neighborhood: Joe Rafferty

CTS – GEC: Jeff Vlach
Christa Turner
Bob Lauder

IN Ombudsman: Carl Percy

KY Ombudsman: Lee Douglas Walker

SDC 1: Glen Kelly; Richard Sutherland

SDC 5: Steve Slade; John Carr