

MEETING MINUTES

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Executive Committee

11:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 7, 2012

Des Moines Area MPO Meeting Room

Des Moines, Iowa

Amended Agenda

The MPO Executive Committee held a meeting at 11:30 a.m., on November 7, 2012, in the MPO Meeting Room. Before the meeting, the MPO staff sent agenda packets to the MPO Executive Committee's representatives and posted the agenda at the MPO office at 3:36 p.m., on November 1, 2012. The fiscal year-to-date publication cost of meeting minutes for the MPO: \$229.77. In addition to these published tentative minutes, there also may be additional meeting notes on file with the MPO staff that are public records and available upon request as provided by law. These tentative minutes reflect all action taken at the meeting.

Members Present:

Tom Hockensmith, Polk County
Angela Connolly, Polk County
Robert Mahaffey, City of Des Moines
Tom Armstrong, City of Grimes
Ted Ohmart, City of West Des Moines

Members Absent:

Chris Coleman, City of Des Moines
Paula Dierenfeld, City of Johnston

Others Present:

Mike Clayton, Iowa Department of Transportation*

Staff Present:

Todd Ashby, Executive Director
Jonathan Wilson, MPO General Counsel
Stephanie Muller, Executive Administrator
Dylan Mullenix, Principal Transportation Planner
Luke Parris, Senior Transportation Planner
Zach Young, Associate Transportation Planner
Bethany Wilcoxon, Senior Transportation Planner
Jennifer Roberts, Intern Transportation Planner

* Non-voting Representative

1. Call to Order

MPO Vice-Chair Hockensmith called the November 7, 2012, meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the November 7, 2012, Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Committee meeting agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the October 10, 2012, Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Committee meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. DART Federal Funding Transfer Request

MOTION: A motion was made to approve DART's request to transfer federal funding from FHWA to FTA.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Polk County Request for Surface Transportation Program Funding.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the request from Polk County for additional Surface Transportation Program funds for the Southwest Connector.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Union Pacific Projects in Des Moines

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Union Pacific Railroad's plans to expand their rail yard in Des Moines and potential MPO support for the project.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRECTED MOTION:

MOTION: A motion was made to approve deferring the motion until the next meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Priority Project Solicitation Process

MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 7.

8. Travel Time Equipment and Software

MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 8.

9. TIGER Grant Project Priorities

MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 9.

10. Update Small Member Surface Transportation Program Award Process

MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 10.

- 11. MAP-21 Funding Update**
MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 11.
- 12. US 65/Iowa 5 Interstate Designation Update**
MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 12.
- 13. The Tomorrow Plan Update**
MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 13.
- 14. Combat Hunger Initiative**
MPO staff presented; discussion only on item 14.
- 15. Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee**
- 16. Approval of the December 20, 2012, MPO Agenda**
- 17. Next Meeting Date**
11:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 12, 2012; in the MPO Mead Conference Room.
- 18. Adjournment**
Vice Chair Hockensmith adjourned the meeting at 12:17 p.m.