

MEETING MINUTES

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Executive Committee

11:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2015
Des Moines Area MPO | Mead Conference Room

The MPO Executive Committee held a meeting at 11:30 a.m., on March 11, 2015, in the MPO Meeting Mead Conference Room. Before the meeting, the MPO staff emailed agenda packets to the MPO Executive Committee's representatives and posted the agenda at the MPO office at 3:32 p.m., March 5, 2015. The fiscal year-to-date publication cost of meeting minutes for the MPO: \$246.80. 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.

Executive Members Present:

Tom Hockensmith | Polk County
Chris Coleman | City of Des Moines - via phone
Angela Connolly | Polk County
Steven Gaer | City of West Des Moines

Executive Members Absent:

Paula Dierenfeld | City of Johnston
Robert Mahaffey | City of Des Moines
Tom Armstrong | City of Grimes

Others Present:

Mike Clayton | Iowa Department of Transportation*
Clifford Leonard | Public

* Non-voting Representative

Staff Present:

Jonathan Wilson | MPO General Counsel - via phone
Dylan Mullenix | Principal Transportation Planner
Teva Dawson | Senior Transportation Planner
Zach Young | Senior Transportation Planner
Aaron Bartling | Associate Transportation Planner
Andrew Collings | Associate Transportation Planner
Mike Armstrong | Associate Transportation Planner
Tracey Deckard | Office Manager
Gunnar Olson | Communications Manager

1. Call to Order

MPO Chair Tom Hockensmith called the March 11, 2015, meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the March 11, 2015, Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Committee meeting agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the February 11, 2015 Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Committee meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Fiscal Year 2014 Audit

Executive Director Todd Ashby reported that the 2014 Audit had been completed.

MOTION: A Motion was made to approve the 2014 Audit.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Draft Fiscal Year 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget

Staff presented. Staff recommends that the MPO Board approve the draft Fiscal Year 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget for submission to the Iowa Department of Transportation for review and comment.

Chris Coleman requested information about other MPO's cost of administration. Staff will research and provide additional information.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Draft Fiscal Year 2016 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Priority Project List

Staff presented and recommends forwarding all projects submitted as priority projects. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: A Motion was made to approve the projects.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Surface Transportation Program Funding Recommendations

Staff presented. Discussion ensued.

8. Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Transportation Alternative Program Funding Recommendation

Staff presented. Discussion ensued.

9. Best Practice Series- Protected Bike Lanes

Staff presented. Discussion ensued.

10. Transportation Management Association Activities

Staff presented. Discussion ensued.

II. Growth Scenario Report

Staff presented. Discussion ensued.

12. Approval of the March 26, 2015, MPO Policy Agenda

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the MPO Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. *Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee*

Executive Director Todd Ashby discussed the National Stand Up for Transportation resolution that will be included on the MPO Agenda.

14. Next Meeting Date

11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 8, 2015, in the MPO Mead Conference Room.

15. Adjournment

Chair Hockensmith adjourned the meeting at 12:17 p.m.