NOTICE OF MEETING
Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Transportation Technical Committee (TTC)
Planning & Engineering Subcommittee
10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 1, 2018
Des Moines Area MPO Burnham Conference Room

TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. Call To Order
2. VOTE: Approval of Agenda
3. REPORT: Smart Cities Update .................................................................................................................. Page 5
   • Report and discussion regarding Smart Cities activities in the region.
4. REPORT: Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget Development .................. Page 6
   • Report on the process for developing the Fiscal Year 2019 work program and budget.
5. REPORT: Long-Range Transportation Plan Revenue Projections .................................................... Page 7
   • Report and discussion regarding the draft revenue projections for the Long-Range Transportation Plan update.
   • Discussion regarding best practices and trends in transportation presentation for the Long-Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee’s February meeting.
7. Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee
8. Next Meeting Date
   • Planning – 10:00 a.m., Monday, March 19, 2018, Des Moines Area MPO Office.
   • Engineering – 1:30 p.m., Monday, March 19, 2018, Des Moines Area MPO Office.
9. Adjournment

The established protocol for minutes of this meeting will be to list all attendees, and with each item on which a vote is conducted in the ordinary course in order to take formal action, those voting nay or abstaining will be identified by name. Any member who is absent from the meeting for any period of time during which a vote of the body is taken, is expected to notify the recording secretary at the conclusion of the meeting so that the absence can be duly noted in the minutes. Roll Call votes will be taken as required by law or upon the request of any member that is approved by the chair, and the vote of each member for or against the proposition, or abstention, will be incorporated in the minutes or recorded on a separate sheet attached to the minutes.

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ISSUE: Smart Cities Update

REPORT: Discussion regarding Smart Cities activities in the region.

BACKGROUND:

In December 2015, the U.S. Department of Transportation launched its Smart City Challenge. The purpose of the challenge is to encourage mid-sized cities across America to develop ideas for an integrated, first-of-its-kind smart transportation system that would use data, applications, and technology to help people and goods move more quickly, cheaply, and efficiently.

The Des Moines Area MPO was one of seventy-eight applicants to apply for the grant fund. Unfortunately, the application was unsuccessful. However, there is still a need for the region to continue discussing Smart Cities and thinking about how future changes in technology will impact transportation.

Staff will outline recent developments regarding Smart Cities and opportunities to move this initiative forward in Greater Des Moines.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Report and discussion only.

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ISSUE: Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget Development

REPORT: Discussion of the process to develop the next work program and budget.

BACKGROUND:

MPO staff is beginning to develop the Fiscal Year 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (FY 2019 UPWP) and budget, which will document all planning activities the MPO will perform from July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019. The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) requires the UPWP to describe the MPO’s proposed planning activities – including task objectives, previous work, project descriptions, and work products – as well as the budget and revenue sources to carry out the planning activities. The Iowa DOT requires the MPO to submit a draft UPWP by April 1, 2018, and a final UPWP by June 1, 2018.

The MPO staff asks for input from member governments and participating agencies on planning tasks for FY 2019 throughout the development of the UPWP. In particular, MPO staff would welcome any proposals for special studies, plans, or other activities, as well as requests for local planning assistance.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Report and discussion only.

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ISSUE: Long-Range Transportation Plan Revenue Projections

REPORT: Discussion regarding the draft revenue projections for the Long-Range Transportation Plan update.

BACKGROUND:

The MPO is required to update the region’s Long-Range Transportation Plan every 5-years. The next update is due in September 2019. Staff is currently working on developing preliminary revenue projections that will determine the fiscal capacity available for FFY 2020 through FFY 2050. The revenue sources considered in the projections include Federal (STBG and STBG Set-Aside), State (RUTF), and local (property taxes, bonds, etc.). Staff has also developed projections for Local Option Sale Tax (LOST) revenue.

Staff will present the preliminary revenue projections and methodology at the February 1, 2018, meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Discussion only.

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ISSUE: Best Practices and Trends in Transportation

REPORT: Discussion regarding best practices and trends in transportation presentation for the Long-Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee’s February meeting.

BACKGROUND:

The Long-Range Plan Steering Committee is meeting on February 28, 2018. Staff is preparing a presentation that will cover best practices, trends, and issues related to transportation. The purpose of this presentation is to get the committee up-to-speed on major issues that will likely impact transportation decisions in the future.

Staff will provide an overview of presentation topics and get feedback from the committee on issues that should be covered in the presentation.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Discussion only.

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