

May 2018
Item No. 11

ISSUE: Executive Committee Restructuring

REPORT and OPTIONAL VOTE: Consider approval of the Preferred Option to expand representation on the Executive Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The recent 2018 MPO Executive Committee election has once again raised the prospect of restructuring the Executive Committee. The concept was previously discussed by the Executive Committee in 2015 and 2016. At that time there was general consensus among the Executive Committee to expand membership the proposal that communities over 50,000 (Ankeny, Des Moines, and West Des Moines) as well as Polk County would receive automatic representation on the Executive Committee and communities under 50,000 collectively would receive representation.

MPO staff has reviewed and updated options for restructuring the Executive Committee. These options were reviewed at the February 7, 2018, meeting.

[A summary of the Preferred Option is located on the following page.](#)

Any changes to the structure of the Executive Committee will require an amendment to the MPO's Bylaws and 28E agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend approval of expanding Executive Committee representation.

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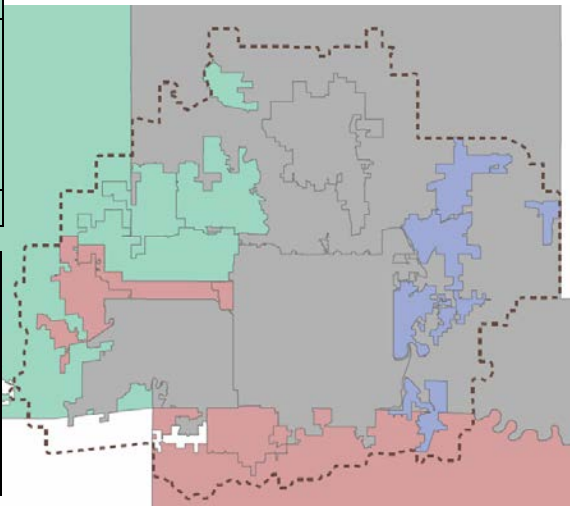
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Preferred Option – East/Northwest/Southwest Including Officers

Northwest (2 Rep)	
Dallas Co.	2,172
Grimes	11,909
Johnston	21,114
Polk City	4,428
Urbandale	43,018
Total	82,641

Southwest (2 Rep)	
Clive	17,546
Norwalk	10,590
Warren County	4,137
Waukee	19,284
Windsor Heights	4,983
Total	56,540

East (2 Rep)	
Altoona	17,938
Bondurant	5,796
Carlisle	4,249
Mitchellville	2,405
Pleasant Hill	9,750
Total	40,138



Committee Size = 11

- *Over 50,000 representatives: 4 (Des Moines x 2; Ankeny x 1, West Des Moines x 1)*
- *Polk County representative x 1*
- *Northwest community under 50,000 x 2*
- *Southwest community under 50,000 x 2*
- *East community under 50,000 x 2*
- *Officers chosen from among the geographic representatives*

The Preferred Option is set up to be implemented quickly with existing members on the Executive Committee:

- Chair Steve Gaer, West Des Moines (West Des Moines representative)
- Vice-Chair Joe Gatto, Des Moines (Des Moines representative 1)
- Secretary/Treasurer Gary Lorenz, Ankeny (Ankeny representative)
- Angela Connolly, Polk County (Polk County representative)
- Ted Weaver, Clive (Southwest community representative 1)
- Stephanie Riva, Norwalk (Southwest community representative 2)
- Tom Armstrong, Grimes (Northwest community representative 1)

All existing Executive Committee representatives would meet the requirements of this proposal. An additional Des Moines, Northwest community, and two East communities would need to be added.