MEETING MINUTES

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Long-Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee
3:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 22, 2018
Des Moines Area MPO Office
Burnham Conference Room
Des Moines, Iowa

Members Present:

Ruth Randleman, City of Carlisle, Chair
John Edwards, City of Clive
Stephanie Riva, City of Norwalk
Sara Kurovski, City of Pleasant Hill
Bob Andeweg, City of Urbandale
Tom Hadden, City of West Des Moines
Kent Sovern, AARP
Elizabeth Presutti, DART
Andrew Woodard, GDMP
Rick Kozin, Public Health

Members Absent:

Kyle Mertz, City of Altoona
Gary Lorenz, City of Ankeny
Chris Coleman, City of Des Moines
Frank Cownie, City of Des Moines
Matt Anderson, City of Des Moines
Angela Connolly, Polk County
Joshua V. Barr, Civil Rights, City of Des Moines
Teree Caldwell-Johnson, Public School
Gretchen Tegeler, Tax Payers Association

Staff Present:

Dylan Mullenix, Assistant Director
Zach Young, Principal Planner

1. Call to Order
   Chair Ruth Randleman called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda
   Subcommittee members voted to approve the meeting agenda.

3. Approval of the Meeting Minutes
   Subcommittee members voted to approve the May 23, 2018, meeting minutes.

4. Funding Categories and Target Percentages
   Staff provided an overview of the proposed funding categories and target percentages for the Long-Range Transportation Plan update. Staff noted that the changes to the funding categories and target percentages are being driven by the need to address bridges and roadways that need replacement. Staff also noted that due to limited resources there is a need to look at the most cost-effective solutions for addressing traffic issues.

   Based on these reasons, staff provided two alternatives to the current funding categories and target
percentages. After thorough discussion, the committee recommended approval of Alternative 1 which sets the following funding targets: 30% System Capacity, 20% Bridge, 25% Reconstruction/Replacement, 15% System Optimization, and 10% Transit.

Staff noted that these funding targets will be used to determine what projects make it into the plan update and will be used in the annual funding allocation process beginning in October 2019.

5. Project Evaluation Criteria

Staff provided an overview of draft project evaluation criteria. The committee provided feedback on the criteria and offered several suggested changes. Staff noted that they would update the criteria with the suggested changes and bring the evaluation criteria back for approval at the next meeting.

6. Spotlight Issues

Staff provided a brief overview of the spotlight issues. Elizabeth Presutti suggested that the age friendly spotlight issue focus more on housing and transportation. Staff noted that the intent of the age friendly theme was to focus on issues like housing and transportation.

7. Other Non-Action Items of Interest

None.

8. Next Meeting Date

October 30, 2018, at 3:30 p.m.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.