

## MEETING MINUTES

**Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
Freight Roundtable (FRT)  
3:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 19, 2018  
Des Moines Area MPO Large Conference Room**

The MPO Freight Roundtable (FRT) held a meeting at 3:00 p.m., on September 19, 2018, at the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Burnham Conference Room. Before the meeting, the MPO staff sent agenda packets to the MPO FRT representatives and posted the agenda at the MPO office on September 12, 2018.

### **Representatives Present:**

John Wahlert, Bridgestone  
Andy Laurent, Iowa Interstate Railroad  
Ryan Carroll, Greater Des Moines Partnership  
Kelli O'Brian, Union Pacific  
Michael Johns, Progressive Rail  
Greg Dickinson, Merchants Distribution  
Jack Sawyer, Des Moines Transportation  
Peggy Kerr, IEDA  
Ron Devries, Ruan Transport  
Dave Kolbe, Ruan Transport  
Ted Brackett, Neuman Brothers  
James Windsor, Citizen

### **Staff Present:**

Andrew Collings, Senior Planner  
Zach Young, Principal Planner

#### **1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the September 19, 2018, meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

#### **2. Welcome and Introductions**

The group introduced themselves to one another.

#### **3. Approval of Agenda**

No issues were reported with the September 19, 2018 agenda.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

No issues were reported with the July 18, 2018 meeting minutes.

**5. Des Moines Transload Facility**

Zach Young was present to give an update on the proposed transload facility.

**6. Container Locator Project Update**

Staff gave an update on the Container Locator project.

**7. Urban Freight Initiatives: State of the Art and State of the Practice**

ISU professor Johanna Amaya Leal presented on the findings of a series of two papers that analyze the state of the art and state of the practice of Urban Freight Initiatives.

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

**9. Next Meeting: Wednesday November 14, 3:00 p.m.**

**10. Adjournment**

The FRT meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.