

## NOTICE OF MEETING

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Funding Subcommittee

2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 31, 2021

[Virtual Meeting](#)

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## TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. **Call To Order**
2. **VOTE: Approval of Agenda**
3. **VOTE: Approval of Meeting Minutes**..... Page 2
  - Approve the March 18, 2021, meeting minutes.
4. **REPORT and VOTE: Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Funding Recommendation** ..... Page 4
  - Report and discussion on the award recommendation for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds; consider approval.
5. **REPORT and VOTE: Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Excess Funding**..... Page 6
  - Report and discussion on the award recommendation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 excess Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds; consider approval.
6. **REPORT and VOTE: Priority Project List for Greater Des Moines Partnerships Trip to D.C.**..... Page 8
  - Report and discussion on the projects submitted for the federal legislative agenda to be part of Greater Des Moines Partnership’s annual trip to Washington D.C.; consider approval.
7. **Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee**
8. **Next Meeting Date – TBD**
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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March 2021  
Item No. 3

**ISSUE: Approval of Meeting Minutes**

VOTE: Consider approval of the March 18, 2021, Funding Subcommittee meeting minutes.

**BACKGROUND:**

The minutes of the March 18, 2021, Funding Subcommittee meeting are included on the following pages.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the minutes of the March 18, 2021, Funding Subcommittee meeting.

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**MEETING MINUTES**

**Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
Funding Subcommittee  
9:30 a.m., Thursday, March 18, 2021  
Virtual Meeting**

The MPO Funding Subcommittee held a virtual meeting at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, March 18, 2021.

**Members Present:**

David Jones, City of Ankeny  
John Edwards, City of Clive  
Scott Sanders, City of Des Moines  
Tom Hadden, City of West Des Moines  
Ruth Randleman, City of Carlisle  
Bob Andeweg, City of Urbandale  
Stephanie Riva, City of Norwalk  
Marketa Oliver, City of Bondurant  
Tom Hockensmith, Polk County

**Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:**

Todd Ashby, Executive Director  
Zach Young, Planning Manager  
Sreyoshi Chakraborty, Senior Planner  
Zhi Chen, Associate Planner

**1. Call to Order**

Funding Subcommittee Chair Tom Hadden called the March 18, 2021, meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 18, 2021, Funding Subcommittee meeting agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. Approval of the Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 24, 2020, meeting minutes.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4. Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program**

The Funding Subcommittee heard presentations from project applicants.

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

**6. Next Meeting Date – TBD**

**7. Adjournment**

Chair Hadden adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

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Item No. 4

**ISSUE: Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program**

REPORT and VOTE: Consider approval of the award recommendation for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds.

**BACKGROUND:**

The deadline for submission of Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program applications was January 15, 2021. The MPO staff received 22 STBG applications, including six (6) system capacity projects, eleven (11) major reconstruction/replacement projects, one (1) system optimization project, three (3) bridge projects, and one (1) transit project. In addition, the MPO received six (6) application for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding.

[A summary of the applications is available on the MPO website \(click to access\).](#)

[The full packet of submitted applications is available on the MPO website \(click to access\).](#)

The FFY 2025 target for STBG funding is **\$12,729,000**. The target for Set-Aside funding is **\$1,164,000**. [The funding categories and targets table is available on the following page.](#)

[The list of STBG and TAP projects and corresponding scores is available on the MPO website \(click to access\).](#)

The MPO staff is hosting a public comment period that runs through March 31, 2021. Staff is collecting comments through an online comment forum.

[A summary of the comments received as of March 24, 2021, is available on the MPO website \(click to access\).](#)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend approval of the FFY 2025 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funding awards.

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**Funding Categories and Targets**

Category	Minimum Target %	Maximum Target %
System Capacity	0%	30%
Major Reconstruction/Replacement	25%	N/A
System Optimization	15%	N/A
Bridge Program	20%	N/A
Transit	10%	N/A

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**ISSUE: Federal Fiscal Year 2020 Excess Funding**

REPORT and VOTE: Consider approval of the award recommendation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020 excess Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds.

**BACKGROUND:**

The MPO's Excess STBG Funding Policy requires staff to review the excess funding that is available in the Iowa Department of Transportation's (DOT) Final Apportionment year. This number is the difference between what the amount that the MPO awarded to project in the FFY compared to the final target provided by the Iowa DOT.

In FFY 2020 the MPO awarded \$12,815,550 in STBG funding. The Final Apportionment for FFY 2020 is \$13,315,678. This means there is \$500,128 in Excess funding for FFY 2020 that is available to be awarded to projects.

According the MPO's Excess STBG Funding Policy, staff will provide the Funding Subcommittee with a list of eligible projects that are included in the last three years of the current Transportation Improvement Program. The Funding Subcommittee will develop a recommendation on how to award the Excess funding at their March 31, 2021, meeting.

Included, on the following page, is a list of projects that are eligible for excess STBG funding.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend approval of FFY 2020 Excess Funding Award.

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# AGENDA REPORT

## FUNDING SUBCOMMITTEE

TPMS #	Sponsor	Project Title	Program Year	Funding Awarded	Project Cost	Percent Funded by MPO
36673	Carlisle	Scotch Ridge Road and Highway 5 intersection south approx. 1,250 feet southwest	2022	\$1,837,000	\$3,249,000	57%
36675	Des Moines	Walnut Street Des Moines River Bridge Replacement (Water Street to E 1st Street)	2022	\$3,400,000	\$11,000,000	31%
37833	Des Moines	Intelligent Transportation Systems Upgrade Phase III	2022	\$500,000	\$15,000,000	3%
37834	Des Moines	Guthrie Avenue Viaduct Rehabilitation	2022	\$2,000,000	\$5,000,000	40%
36679	Polk County	Bridge No. 3606 Replacement on NE Frisk Drive	2022	\$543,000	\$920,000	59%
37444	Polk County	NE 22d Street Widening Project	2022	\$1,750,000	\$3,200,000	55%
37839	Urbandale	128th Street Maintenance, Douglas Parkway to Aurora Avenue	2022	\$750,000	\$1,000,000	75%
39390	Ankeny	NE Delaware Avenue Widening - NE 5th Street to NE 18th Street	2023	\$2,000,000	\$11,150,000	18%
39435	Des Moines	ITS Upgrade Phase 4	2023	\$500,000	\$12,500,000	4%
39461	Johnston	NW 100th Street Reconstruction	2023	\$750,000	\$10,841,000	7%
39397	Norwalk	IA 28 & Beardley Street Improvements	2023	\$700,000	\$2,190,000	32%
32581	Polk County	Bridge No. 6680 Replacement on NE 50th Ave 2200 ft west of NE 88 St.	2023	\$300,000	\$650,000	46%
38607	Polk County	Bridge No. 2444 Replacement on NW 86th Street - 1 mile north of NW 70th Ave	2023	\$600,000	\$1,100,000	55%
39395	West Des Moines	8th Street Improvements - I 235 South Ramp to Clegg Road	2023	\$2,000,000	\$5,570,000	36%
45479	Altoona	8th Street SW Reconstruction - Phase 2	2024	\$1,000,000	\$1,250,000	80%
45473	Clive	Interstate 35 / Interstate 80 / U.S. Highway 6 Interchange Project	2024	\$1,000,000	\$1,250,000	80%
39393	Des Moines	Southeast Connector-SE 30th Street to US 65	2024	\$7,600,000	\$13,950,000	54%
45476	Des Moines	Intelligent Transportation Systems Upgrade Phase 5	2024	\$500,000	\$12,500,000	4%
45477	Des Moines	Fleur Drive Bridge	2024	\$1,000,000	\$3,000,000	33%
45474	Polk City	N. 3rd Street Reconstruction, Trail, and Overlay	2024	\$393,000	\$2,000,000	20%
40171	Polk County	Bridge No. 6633 Bridge Replacement	2024	\$600,000	\$810,000	74%
45478	Polk County	Polk County Bridge 3618 Replacement	2024	\$350,000	\$525,000	67%
45475	Windsor Heights	73rd Street Reconstruction - Phase 1	2024	\$1,000,000	\$1,250,000	80%

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**ISSUE: Priority Project List for Annual D.C. Trip**

REPORT: Report on the priority projects and policies submitted for the Greater Des Moines Partnership's annual trip to Washington D.C

**BACKGROUND:**

The MPO staff annually works with MPO member governments and participating agencies to develop a list of priority transportation projects to discuss with congressional members during the Greater Des Moines Partnership's (GDMP) annual trip to Washington, D.C.

Staff will begin the project and policy solicitation process in October. Key dates in the process are as follows:

- October – Solicit changes to the existing project list from member governments. Changes were due on December 2, 2020;
- February – Draft project listing provided to MPO committees for discussion;
- March – Funding Subcommittee meets to identify priority projects from the assembled listing;
- April – MPO committees take action to approve the project listing and priority projects;
- April – GDMP publishes the Policy Book; and,
- September 2021 – GDMP Trip to Washington D.C.

[The complete list of priority projects is available on the MPO website \(click to access\).](#)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

None. Report and discussion only.

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