

MEETING MINUTES  
Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
11:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 7, 2022  
Des Moines Area MPO | Virtual Meeting

The MPO Executive Committee held a hybrid live/virtual meeting at 11:30 a.m. on September 7, 2022, at the Des Moines Area MPO office and via Zoom. MPO staff emailed agenda packets to the MPO Executive and members on August 31, 2022. **In addition to these published tentative minutes, there also may be additional meeting notes on file with the MPO staff that are public records and available upon request as provided by law. These tentative minutes reflect all action taken at the meeting.**

**Executive Members Present:**

Bob Andeweg | City of Urbandale  
Stephanie Riva | City of Norwalk  
Elizabeth Burns Thompson | City of Altoona  
Mark Holm | City of Ankeny  
Ruth Randleman | City of Carlisle  
Ted Weaver | City of Clive  
Frank Cownie | City of Des Moines  
Joe Gatto | City of Des Moines  
Jeff Walters | City of Polk City  
Tom Hockensmith | Polk County  
Russ Trimble | West Des Moines  
Andy Loonan | IDOT

**Executive Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:**

Todd Ashby | Executive Director  
Dylan Mullenix | Assistant Director  
Zach Young | Planning Manager  
Allison van Pelt | Senior Planner  
Zhi Chen | Senior Planner  
Aspen Pflanz | Planner II  
Tracey Deckard | Office Manager  
Rhonda Miller | Accountant  
Scott Brennan | MPO General Counsel

**Others Present:**

Clifford Leonard | public

1. **Call to Order**

MPO Chair Bob Andeweg called the 9/7/2022, meeting to order at 11:31 a.m. A quorum was present.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Cownie and seconded by Gatto to approve the September 7, 2022, Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Committee meeting agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED**

3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Cownie and seconded by Gatto to approve the August meeting minutes.

**MOTION CARRIED**

4. **Approval of Contracts and Expenses**

Executive Director presented. Recommend approval of the Eco Counter Upgrades in the amount of \$3,037.50.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Hockensmith and seconded by Gatto to approve payment of all the Eco Counter Upgrades.

**MOTION CARRIED**

5. **Water Trails BUILD Grant Sub-Agreement Amendments**

Planning Manager presented. Recommend approval of the amended Water Trails BUILD grant sub-agreements. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Weaver and seconded by Randleman to approve the amended Water Trails BUILD grant sub-agreements.

**CITY OF ANKENY ABSTAINED.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

6. **FFY 2024 Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Applications**

Planning Manager presented. Recommend approval of the FFY 2024 Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Applications.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Riva and seconded by Randleman to approve the FFY 2024 Iowa clean Air Attainment Program Applications.

**MOTION CARRIED**

7. **Model Ordinance Regulating Bicycles and Personal Transportation Devices**

Staff presented. Presentation about the draft Model Ordinance Regulating Bicycles and Personal Transportation Devices. The Bike-Ped Roundtable held several special meetings with MPO member community staff and transportation professional to craft the initial ordinance language and revise it to address education and enforcement concerns. Copies provided.

Report and discussion only.

8. **2019 Greenhouse Gas Inventory Update**

Staff presented. Report on regional and community greenhouse gas emissions inventories process.

Report and discussion only.

9. **Proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Performance Measure**

Staff presented. Report on notice for proposed rulemaking (NPRM) on Greenhouse Gas Emissions Performance Measure. Report and discussion only.

10. **Purple Heart Highway**

Staff presented. Staff continues to work with the Greater Des Moines Partnership and other stakeholders to promote the Highway 5/US 65 Interstate designations. Received and updated Scope of Services from HNTB to develop the technical analysis of the corridor required before interstate designation can be requested. Scope is largely unchanged from previous. Cost of \$206,730.58. Will come back to Executive and Policy Committees for a vote in October. A meeting with the DOT leadership is scheduled for late September to discuss an implementation plan.

Report and discussion only.

11. **Legislative Issues Update**

Planning Manager presented. Discussion regarding FY 2023 Appropriations Bill, Inflation Reduction Act, Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, and a Competitive Grant Funding Matrix was also presented with links for additional information on the MPO website.

Report and discussion only.

12. **Upcoming Events**

Information only.

13. **Vote- MPO Policy Agenda**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Gatto and seconded by Cownie to approve the agenda.

**MOTION CARRIED**

14. **Other Non-Action Items**

Staff discussed the EV Community Ready meeting scheduled for October 4, proposed SUDAS Updates, and FEMA Unified Hazard Mitigation Grant Funding that is due 12/7/2022.

15. **Next Meeting Date**

October 12, 2022, beginning at 11:30.

16. **Adjournment**

Hearing no objection to the contrary, the Chair adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 12:20 p.m.