

MEETING MINUTES

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Technical Committee

9:30 a.m., Thursday, January 4, 2024

The MPO TTC held a virtual meeting at 9:30 a.m., January 4, 2024. Before the meeting, the MPO staff emailed agenda packets to the TTC representatives and posted the agenda at the MPO office on December 29, 2023.

Representatives Present:

John Dostart | City of Altoona
Mark Mueller | City of Ankeny
Jeff May | City of Clive
John A Davis | City of Des Moines
Steve Naber | City of Des Moines
Mike Ludwig | City of Des Moines
Luis Montoya | DART
Tony Filippini | DART
Matt Ahrens | City of Grimes
Dave Wilwerding | City of Johnston
Elliott Klimowski | City of Norwalk
Madeline Sturms | City of Pleasant Hill
Aaron Putnam | Polk County
John Larson | City of Urbandale
Tim Hill | Warren County
Rudy Koester | City of Waukee
Eric Petersen | City of West Des Moines
Shelby Ebel | Iowa DOT

Representatives Absent:

Amy Quartell | City of Ankeny
John Horton | City of Bondurant
Mitch Holtz | City of Carlisle
Rita Connor | City of Cumming**
Murray McConnell | Dallas County
Angie Schaffer | City of Elkhart**
Charlie Dissell | City of Indianola**
Mike Hackett | Madison County
Paul Green | City of Mitchellville
Mike Schulte | City of Polk City
Dave Herman | City of Van Meter**
Karen Marren | City of West Des Moines
Justin Ernst | City of Windsor Heights
Julia Castillo | HIRTA
Kevin Foley | DSM International Airport *
Darla Hugaboom | FHWA*
Gerri Doyle | Federal Transit Administration*
* Non-Voting, Advisory Representative
** Non-Voting, Associate Representative

Staff Present:

Dylan Mullenix | Interim Executive Director
Zach Young | Planning Manager
Andrew Collings | Principal Planner
Gunnar Olson | Public Affairs Manager
Tracey Deckard | Office Manager
Zhi Chen | Senior Planner
Carl Saxon | Senior Planner

Others Present

Allison van Pelt | Polk County
Katie Lord | Mid-American Energy
Matt Ott | Mid-American Energy
Adam Streeeter | Mid-American Energy
Clifford Leonard | Public

1. **Call to Order**
TTC Chair recognized a quorum and called the January 4, 2024, meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda**
MOTION: A motion was made by Koester and seconded by Montoya to approve the MPO TTC's meeting agenda.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
MOTION: A motion was made by Koester and seconded by Dostart to approve the MPO TTC December meeting minutes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
4. **Presentation: Mid-American Energy Presentation**
Representatives from MidAmerican provided an overview of their experience and expertise in the construction and maintenance of Electric Vehicle (EV) infrastructure.
5. **Planning Area Boundary Update**
Projects Manager, Zach Young presented. Recommend approval of updated Planning Area Boundary. A suggestion was made to inquire if Mitchellville would be included. Staff will reach out.
MOTION: A motion was made by Dostart and seconded by May to approve updated Planning Area Boundary and to communicate with the City of Mitchellville.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
6. **Mobilizing Tomorrow- Funding Projections**
Projects Manager, Zach Young presented. Recommend approval of the funding projections for the development of Mobilizing Tomorrow, the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan.
MOTION: A motion was made by Dostart and seconded by Putnam to approve the funding projections for the development of Mobilizing Tomorrow
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
7. **Mobilizing Tomorrow- Project Solicitation**
Projects Manager, Zach Young presented. Update regarding project solicitation for the development of Mobilizing Tomorrow.
Report and discussion only.
8. **Iowa DOT 2020-2024 Safety Performance Targets (PM1)**
Senior Planner, Zhi Chen presented. Report on the Iowa DOT's 2020-2024 safety performance targets.
Report and discussion only.
9. **Fiscal Year 2025 Unified Planning Work Program and Budget**
Interim Executive Director, Dylan Mullenix presented. Report and discussion only.
10. **Norfolk Southern Rail Spur Track Assessment**
Interim Executive Director, Dylan Mullenix presented. Report and discussion only.
11. **2023 Regional Trail Pavement Condition Report**
Senior Planner, Carl Saxon presented. Discussion regarding updated regional trail pavement conditions.
Report and discussion only.

- 12. National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Formula Grant Program**
Senior Planner, Carl Saxon presented. Report on National Electric Vehicle infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Grant Program.
Report and discussion only.
- 13. Executive Director Search**
Public Affairs Manager, Gunnar Olson presented. Report on search and hiring process for a new Executive Director.
Report and discussion only.
- 14. Upcoming Events**
Information only.
- 15. Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee**
STBG and TAP applications posted on the MPO website. Applications are due back January 5, 2024. The Interim Executive Director advised that he would be reaching out to new members for MPO orientation.
Chair, Steve Naber will appoint a nominating committee for new officers.
There was also mention of the Perry School shooting.
- 16. Next Meeting Date**
The next meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 4, 2024.
- 17. Adjournment**
The MPO TTC's January 4, 2024, meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.