

# Minutes of the

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

### Committee Members Present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Hovland, James (Chair)	Anderson, Doug	Bailey, Myron
Barber, Deb	Barnes, Michael	Crimmins, Carl	Dugan, Peter
Foster, Amity	Fox, Nick	Geisler, Christopher	Giuliani Stephens, Mary
Goettel, Debbie	Hamann-Roland, Mary	Hansen, Gary	Holberg, Mary Liz
Hollinshead, Mathews	Karwoski, Stan	Lindeke, William	Look, Matt
Maluchnik, Randy	McGuire, Mary Jo	Narayanan, Ashwat	Petryk, Becky
Reich, Kevin	Sanger, Sue	Schember, George	Steffenson, Mark
Tolbert, Chris	Ulrich, Jon	Windschitl, Mark	Wosje, Jeff
ABSENT:	Boyles, Frank	McDonnell, Craig	Swanson, Dick
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Koutsoukos, Elaine TAB Coordinator	Freese, Lisa TAC Chair	Thompson, Nick MTS Director

### I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Hovland called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:35 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

### II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

There were no changes to the agenda.

Aye: 29 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Fox, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, McGuire, Narayanan, Petryk, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Ulrich, Windschitl, Wosje  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 3 Boyles, McDonnell, Swanson  
Not Recorded: 1 Tolbert

### III. REPORTS

#### 1. TAB Chair's Report

Hovland reported that October should show Regional Solicitation scenarios, he commented on the LRT system being built with the grant coming through, and the ABRT policy group meeting.

#### 2. Agency Reports MnDOT, MPCA, MAC, and Metropolitan Council

MnDOT, Mike Barnes:

Barnes reported that the Freight Program Solicitation is open. The airport detour is in its final stage.

MPCA, Hovland:

Hovland shared that MPCA had nothing to report.

MAC, Carl Crimmins:

Crimmins reported that the passenger levels are down but airport work is being completed quickly due to the lack of traffic. The airport has not need to touch reserves and has been able to give rent waivers. Delta remains the only airline committed to not selling the middle seat.

Metropolitan Council, Deb Barber:

Barber reported on the advancement of the SWLRT, and the Metropolitan Council budget, as well service levels.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### V. ACTION ITEMS

##### Consent

Motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Bailey and carried, to approve the following consent items:

##### 1. Approval of Minutes from June 17, 2020

Aye: 28 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Fox, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Look, Maluchnik, McGuire, Narayanan, Petryk, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Ulrich, Windschitl, Wosje  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 3 Boyles, McDonnell, Swanson  
Not Recorded:2 Lindeke, Tolbert

##### Non-Consent

##### 1. 2020-26 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Comments

TAC Chair Lisa Freese Metropolitan Transportation Service Planning and Finance Deputy Director Amy Vennewitz and Metropolitan Council Outreach Coordinator Sara Maaske presented this item.

Narayanan asked about incorporating public comments earlier. Vennewitz said the package went out for public comment earlier. Maaske shared that when a group has a large response to a public document it often indicates they feel their voice has not been heard and it is a good opportunity to engage. Sanger brought up having a separate category for climate issues. For transparency, the TAB requested to have the public comments appended to the document. Reich said this ought to be an initial conversation-starter for future planning.

It was moved by Hamann-Roland, seconded by Maluchnik that:

The Transportation Advisory Board accept the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Public Comment Report.

##### Motion carried.

Aye: 30 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Fox, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, McGuire, Narayanan, Petryk, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Tolbert, Ulrich, Windschitl, Wosje  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 3 Boyles, McDonnell, Swanson  
Not Recorded:0

**1. 2020-27** Adopt 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

TAC Chair Lisa Freese presented this item.

There were no questions or comments from TAB members.

It was moved by Maluchnik, seconded by Goettel that:

The TAB recommend adoption of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Metropolitan Council, inclusive of changes recommended in the public comment report (AT No. 2020-26) with the public comments appended.

**Motion carried.**

Aye: 29 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Fox, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, McGuire, Narayanan, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Tolbert, Ulrich, Windschitl, Wosje  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 3 Boyles, McDonnell, Swanson  
Not Recorded:1 Petryk

**VI. INFORMATION**

**1. Regional Solicitation: ABRT Update**

Metropolitan Transportation Services Director Nick Thompson and Metro Transit BRT Projects Director Charles Carlson presented this item.

Karwoski said Washington County is supportive of the delay. Barber commented that this provides an opportunity to integrate transit values. McGuire and Steffenson agreed on the importance of regional balance. Foster brought up the importance of public engagement. Holberg mentioned the change in commuter behavior and the need to engage the business community. Barber shared the outreach strategy and the trends that are being watched.

**2. Regional Solicitation: Scoring Process Update**

TAB Coordinator Elaine Koutsoukos presented this item.

Geisler mentioned a summary of questions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Jenna Ernst  
Recording Secretary