

## Minutes of the

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

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

#### Committee Members Present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Hovland, James (Chair)	Anderson, Doug	Bailey, Myron
Barber, Deb	Barnes, Michael	Boyles, Frank	Dugan, Peter
Foster, Amity	<del>Fox, Nick</del> (Martinson, Brian)	Geisler, Christopher	Goettel, Debbie
<del>Giuliani Stephens, Mary</del> (Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Amanda)	Hansen, Gary	Holberg, Mary Liz	Hollinshead, Mathews
Jeppson, Julie	Karwoski, Stan	Kealey, Dan	<del>Lindeke, William</del> (Watson, Shannon)
Look, Matt	<del>McDonnell, Craig</del> (Biewen, Todd)	McGuire, Mary Jo	Narayanan, Ashwat
Petryk, Becky	Reich, Kevin	Sanger, Sue	Steffenson, Mark
Ulrich, Jon	Williams, Janet	Windschitl, Mark	<del>Workman, Tom</del> (Udermann, Matt)
ABSENT:	Crimmins, Carl	Schember, George	Tolbert, Chris
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Koutsoukos, Elaine TAB Coordinator	Solberg, Jon TAC Chair	Vennewitz, Amy MTS Acting Director

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Hovland called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:04 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21, 2021.

#### II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda.

#### III. REPORTS

##### 1. TAB Chair's Report

Hovland reported on Regional Solicitation and Unique Projects. The Regional Solicitation application will be before TAB in September as action items. It is preferred that TAB members discuss policy issues this month in July and clean up any final items at the August meeting, if needed. This will give the technical committees adequate time to discuss any potential changes TAB is considering and its impact on other parts of the application. Action items start at TAC Funding and Programming the day after August TAB meeting. The Unique Projects application is entirely new so requires additional time to build the application materials before public release. TAB needs to know if there are any major concerns that staff can provide options to get final direction at August meeting.

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

MnDOT, Mike Barnes:

Barnes reported on funding updates. The Central Office staff is working on an equity definition and are currently getting feedback.

MPCA, Todd Biewen:  
Biewen reported on electric chargers and maintenance.

MAC, Carl Crimmins:  
Koutsoukos reported on behalf of Crimmins that MSP's average daily departures for July are 420, a 69 % increase over July of 2020 and a 4% increase from June. Delta Airlines resumed service to Paris on July 7th. July active routes will increase to 189; 180 domestic & 9 international flights. August schedule shows a slight decrease to 412 average daily departures. Popup vaccination sites in Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 are planned through August 5. Covid testing is currently available in the Blue parking ramp.

Metropolitan Council, Deb Barber:  
Barber reported on officer hiring. Foster asked about the pivot to an increase of armed officers. Metropolitan Council Chair Zelle said the community service officers are not police even though they coordinate with the Metro Transit police. Sanger asked about the safety phone number.

## IV. ACTION ITEMS

### Consent

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

1. **Approval of Minutes from June 16, 2021**
2. **2021-21** Streamlined 2021-2024 TIP Amendment for MnDOT: I-35W Frontage Road Turnback

Motion: That the Transportation Advisory Board recommend adoption of an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP to increase the cost and scope of MnDOT's I-35W turnback in Bloomington (SP # 2782-363).

Aye: 28 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Biewen, Boyles, Dugan, Foster, Geisler, Goettel, Hansen, Hemmingsen-Jaeger, Holberg, Hollinshead, Jeppson, Karwoski, Kealey, Look, Martinson, McGuire, Narayanan, Petryk, Sanger, Steffenson, Ulrich, Watson, Williams, Windschitl  
Nay: 0  
Absent: 5 Crimmins, Reich, Schember, Tolbert, Workman  
Not Recorded: 0

### Non-Consent

1. There were no items on the non-consent agenda.

## V. INFORMATION

1. Equity in Transportation

USDOT Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Charles Small and Senior Advisor in the Office of the Secretary Maurice Henderson II presented this item.

Sanger brought up the Rondo project. Smalls and Henderson noted the need for collective effort. Henderson talked about helping small businesses get certified.

## 2. 2022 Regional Solicitation

Metropolitan Transportation Services Planning and Finance Deputy Director Amy Vennewitz and Multi Modal Planning Manager Cole Hiniker, Highway and TAB/TAC Process Manager Steve Peterson, and Senior Planner Joe Barbeau presented this item.

Foster asked for term clarification. Narayanan asked about cycle timing and voiced concern about funding. Martinson brought up multimodal transportation and the impact on climate. Karwoski asked about the funding of interchanges. Karwoski said a couple cycles should be gone through before recalibrating. Reich mentioned sending back to the TAC for differentiation. Holberg brought up density and the need for infrastructure. Windschitl said expansion should not be ignored metro-wide. Goettel mentioned the need for progress on safety so that more can be put toward climate. Udermann also touched on expansion. Goettel and McGuire brought up the needs and expenses of bridges. Kealey said he would like a higher allocation for BRT for the STPs. Members debated the adjustment of funding levels. Watson asked about weighting to criteria.

The Geographic Balance presentation was tabled until the August meeting.

## **VI. ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS**

## **VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Jenna Ernst  
Recording Secretary