

Minutes

TAB Technical Advisory Committee



Meeting Date: December 7, 2022

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Virtual

Members Present:

- Jon Solberg, Chair, MnDOT
- Joe MacPherson, Anoka Co
- Lyndon Robjent, Carver Co
- Erin Laberee, Dakota Co
- Scott Mareck, Ramsey Co
- Carla Stueve, Hennepin Co
- Lisa Freese, Scott Co
- Lyssa Leitner, Washington Co
- Andrew Witter, 7W

- Karl Keel, Bloomington
- Charlie Howley, Chanhassen
- Robert Ellis, Eden Prairie
- Jim Kosluchar, Fridley
- Paul Oehme, Lakeville
- Ken Ashfeld, Maple Grove
- Ross Beckwith, West Saint Paul
- Michael Thompson, Plymouth
- Jenifer Hager, Minneapolis
- Jim Voll, Minneapolis
- Paul Kurtz, Saint Paul
- Bill Dermody, Saint Paul

- Steve Peterson, Council MTS
- Michael Larson, Council CD
- Elaine Koutsoukos, TAB
- Innocent Eyoh, MPCA
- Bridget Rief, MAC
- Matt Fyten, STA
- Adam Harrington, Metro Transit
- Praveena Pidaparathi, MnDOT
- Colleen Eddy, DEED
- Vacant, MN DNR
- Danny McCullough, Bicycle
- Vacant, Pedestrian
- Vacant, FHWA (ex-officio)

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Call to Order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Solberg called the regular meeting of the TAB Technical Advisory Committee just after 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

The committee approved the agenda with no changes. Therefore, no vote was needed.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Eyoh and seconded by Harrington to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2022, regular meeting of the TAB Technical Advisory Committee. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment on Committee Business

None.

TAB Report

Koutsoukos reported on the November 16, 2022, Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

Business – Committee Reports

Executive Committee (Jon Solberg, Chair)

Chair Solberg reported that the TAC Executive Committee met prior to the TAC meeting and discussed the meeting agenda and the nomination for the next chair. He said that the nominating process resulted in the recommendation of Jenifer Hager as the next TAC chair. It was moved by

Thompson and seconded by Freese to support appointment of Jenifer Hager as the next TAC chair. **Motion carried.**

Barbeau stated that the Bicycle/Pedestrian working group will provide its members soon, making this McCullough's last meeting. He added that Ross Beckwith from West St. Paul has replaced Marc Culver as a Metro Cities representative.

Planning Committee/TPP Technical Working Group (Scott Mareck, Chair)

TAC Planning Committee chair Scott Mareck provided an update on the TPP Technical Working Group meeting that occurred on November 10, 2022, along with future meeting topics.

1. [2022-48: Review of Metropolitan Airports Commission \(MAC\) 2023-2029 Capital Improvement Program \(CIP\)](#)

Mareck introduced Cole Hiniker, MTS, who provided a presentation on the MAC CIP. Hiniker said that TAC will review a larger project next year as part of the CIP action.

Motion by Mareck and seconded by Hawley to recommend acceptance of the staff analysis of MAC's 2023-2029 CIP and forward of these comments to the Metropolitan Council for its consideration. **Motion carried.**

Hiniker said that more detail will be provided on this topic at the December 21, 2022, TAB meeting.

Funding & Programming (Michael Thompson, Chair)

The November 17, 2022, committee meeting was cancelled. Thompson said that the December 15, 2022, meeting will be cancelled.

Information

1. [Congestion Management Plan Corridor Analysis Handbook](#) (Dave Burns, MTS)

Dave Burns, MTS, provided the linked presentation. He said that the handbook is anticipated to be released soon. Solberg asked who agency representatives should contact to pursue assistance, to which Burns replied that he can be contacted.

Mareck suggested consideration of how transit-oriented development can contribute to congestion reduction. Harrington added that coordination with the TPP's transit chapter would be valuable to that end.

Eyoh asked how this handbook will contribute to reducing greenhouse gases and the impact on climate change. Burns replied that this question is more related the policy-oriented Congested Management Process (CMP) Policy and Procedures Guide. Eyoh suggested examining the link between congestion management with the Climate Change Action Framework.

Freese suggested that there has been a lot of change in terms of how people commute to office jobs, while people are still going to warehouses and factories. She said that the work done in the planning field does not evolve as fast as changes on the ground and suggested that that an update on travel patterns be provided.

2. [Regional Transportation and Climate Change Multimodal Measures Study](#) (Tony Fischer, MTS)

Tony Fischer, MTS, provided the linked presentation.

Solberg asked whether this refines, as opposed to replaces, greenhouse gas estimations being done in environmental documents. Fischer replied that this serves a different purpose.

Solberg requested that Fischer provide an email to members highlighting the effort and expectations of participants. Fischer agreed and added that he is coordinating with MnDOT,

which is doing similar work, especially in development of the carbon reduction strategy due in November 2023.

3. [Climate Action Work Plan](#) (Jeff Freeman, Metro Transit and Tony Fischer, MTS)

Jeff Freeman, Metro Transit and Tony Fischer, MTS, provided the linked presentation.

Eyoh said he did not see a lot of detail regarding land use coordination, which has a great impact on climate change and greenhouse gas reduction. He asked how the effort will coordinate with local government on these topics. Freeman replied that this plan is internal and therefore the regional development framework is the place to examine land use, adding that the work with local governments will come from elsewhere at the Council.

Other Business

Peterson said that staff is programming 2022 Regional Solicitation projects into specific years and funding sources. He said that earlier-year money has been difficult to assign, particularly about \$6.5M in 2024 funds. He asked that project sponsors that may be able to move a project up into 2024 reach out to Council and MnDOT State Aid staff. Koutsoukos added that 2024 money will be available in October of 2023 and Peterson added that federal authorization would need to be by June 30, 2024. Solberg added that plan sets would need to be turned in by March 2024.

Solberg thanked Hager for taking over as chair of the committee and said that April Crocket will replace him on the committee. Thompson thanked Solberg for his service as chair.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned.

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