

Minutes

TAC Planning Committee



Meeting date: June 12, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Virtual

Members present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anoka Co – Jorge Bernal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hennepin Co – Dan Patterson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> St. Paul – Anton Jerve
<input type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn Park – Mark Culver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metro Transit – Patrick Haney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Co – John Rudolph
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carver Co – Drew Pflaumer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MAC – Eric Gilles (alternate for Bridget Rief)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban Transit Assoc – Sunita Kasichhwa
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chanhassen – Charlie Howley	<input type="checkbox"/> Minneapolis – Amy Barnstorff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TAB Coordinator – Elaine Koutsoukos
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met Council Community Development – Patrick Boylan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT – Gina Mitteco (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington Co – Sara Allen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met Council MTS – Dave Burns	<input type="checkbox"/> MPCA – Innocent Eyoh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Woodbury – Chris Hartzell
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dakota Co – Scott Peters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ramsey Co – Jennifer Jordan (alternate for Kevin Roggenbuck)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = present, <input type="checkbox"/> = excused
<input type="checkbox"/> FHWA – Vacant (ex officio)		

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Metropolitan Council acknowledges that the land we currently call Minnesota and specifically the seven-county region is the ancestral homeland of the Dakota Oyate who are present and active contributors to our thriving region. As part of the Metropolitan Council's commitment to address the unresolved legacy of genocide, dispossession, and settler colonialism and the fact that government institutions, including the Metropolitan Council, benefitted economically, politically, and institutionally after the forceable removal of the Dakota Oyate, the Metropolitan Council is dedicated to instilling Land, Water, and People Commitments in regional policy. These commitments support the Dakota Oyate, the eleven federally recognized Tribes in Minnesota, Ho-Chunk Nation, and the American Indian Communities representing over 150 diverse Tribal Nations that call the seven-county region home.

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Mitteco called the regular meeting of the TAC Planning Committee to order at 1:01 p.m.

Agenda approved

Committee members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Drew Pflaumer, Carver County, seconded by Charlie Howley, Chanhassen, to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025, regular meeting of the TAC Planning Committee. **Motion carried.**

Public comment on committee business

There were no public comments on committee business.

Business

1. **2025-23:** Review of Flying Cloud Airport 2040 Long Term Comprehensive Plan (Joe Widing, MTS Planning)

Joe Widing, MTS Planning, presented.

Charlie Howley, Chanhassen, asked why the operations forecast ends in 2021 and does not include actual data after 2021. Widing said that the forecasts were developed earlier in the planning process, which was current prior to a required Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) review process that delayed progress. Eric Gilles, Metropolitan Airports Commission, said that once the FAA approves these forecasts, the baseline remains static for the duration of the long-term planning process. Gilles said the actual activity is still monitored, and they are seeing a 0.4% annual growth rate, which has generally aligned with the FAA's terminal area forecasts. Widing provided an example where the data may be updated during an airport's long-term planning process, like the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the MSP Airport. Gilles said that while forecast data informs certain planning (e.g., based aircraft demand for hangar development), many changes (e.g., taxiway realignments or runway improvements) are more informed by historical activity.

Howley asked which advisory committees included the City of Eden Prairie. Widing said that the Flying Cloud Airport Advisory Committee is part of Eden Prairie's city government, and the stakeholder advisory panel also included Eden Prairie staff. Michele Ross, Metropolitan Airports Commission, confirmed these statements and mentioned inclusion in public events.

It was moved by Patrick Boylan, Met Council Community Development, and seconded by Pflaumer, to recommend to the TAC and TAB that the Metropolitan Council find that the Final Draft Flying Cloud Airport 2040 LTCP has a multi-city impact as well as conforms to the regional systems and is consistent with regional policies. **Motion carried.**

Information

1. 2026 Unified Planning Work Program: Consultant Study Review (Bethany Brandt-Sargent, Jed Hanson, and Amy Vennewitz, MTS Planning)

Bethany Brandt-Sargent, MTS Planning, presented.

Chair Mitteco observed that the greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction strategy development task was paused, and she asked what that project would have included and what needed to be further developed before proceeding with the project. Tony Fischer, MTS Planning, said the project vision was to perform scenario planning and provide information on different GHG reduction strategies, including their reduction potential, costs, and co-benefits. Brandt-Sargent said the comprehensive planning technical assistance task will provide some related guidance that will lay the groundwork for this project in the future. Chair Mitteco asked to confirm that this related comprehensive plan guidance is separate from the paused GHG strategy task, which Brandt-Sargent confirmed.

Other business

There were no other business items.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

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