

Minutes

TAC Funding and Programming Committee



Meeting Date: May 19, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Virtual

Members Present:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bloomington - Karl Keel<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lakeville - Paul Oehme<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eden Prairie - Robert Ellis<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fridley - Jim Kosluchar<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maple Grove - Ken Ashfeld<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plymouth - Michael Thompson (Chair)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minneapolis - Nathan Koster<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> St. Paul - Anne Weber<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Met Council - Cole Hiniker<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metro Transit - Scott Janowiak | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TAB Coordinator - Elaine Koutsoukos<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT - Molly McCartney<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Metro District State Aid - Colleen Brown<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Bike/Ped - Mike Samuelson<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MPCA - Innocent Eyoh<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DNR - Nancy Spooner<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban Transit Assoc - Aaron Bartling | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anoka Co - Joe MacPherson<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carver Co - Angie Stenson<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dakota Co - Jenna Fabish<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hennepin Co - Jason Pieper<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ramsey Co – Scott Mareck<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Co - Craig Jenson<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wash Co - Joe Ayers-Johnson <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = present, E = excused</p> |
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Call to Order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Thompson called the regular meeting of the TAC Funding and Programming Committee to order at 1:00 p.m.

Agenda Approved

Chair Thompson noted that a roll call vote was not needed for approval of the agenda unless a committee member offered an amendment to the agenda. Committee members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Oehme, seconded by Pieper to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2022 regular meeting of the TAC Funding and Programming Committee. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comment on Committee Business

There were no public comments.

TAB Report

Koutsoukos reported on the May 18th, 2022 TAB meeting.

Business

1. **2022-24:** [Approve Draft TIP](#)

It was moved by Mareck, seconded by Koslucher, that the TAC Funding & Programming Committee recommend that TAC recommend to TAB adoption of the draft 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), with consideration for public comments.

Barbeau presented the Metropolitan Council's draft 2023 to 2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), noting it had been released for public comment. McCartney presented the Minnesota Department of Transportation's 2023 to 2026 draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Keel asked whether MnDOT has matches secured for the new IIJA funds. McCartney noted there is an increase of about 20 percent overall and that MnDOT is looking for matching funds from the legislature.

Eyoh said Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has the draft TIP and is evaluating it. Eyoh anticipates the conformity letter will be provided on or before May 27th.

Stenson noted a change that should be made in the draft TIP that shows incorrect project description. McCartney suggested Stenson provide an official comment and Barbeau agreed.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. **2022-25:** [2022 Regional Solicitation Qualifying Review](#)

It was moved by Ayers-Johnson, seconded by Ashfeld, that the TAC Funding & Programming Committee approves all submitted Regional Solicitation applications that meet the qualifying requirements and conditionally approve (17527) Brooklyn Park's Highway 252 and Humboldt Avenue/ 81st Avenue Pedestrian Bridge, contingent on federal funding eligibility as determined by FHWA.

Peterson presented the results of the 2022 Regional Solicitation qualifying review for the 155 projects submitted. This action does not go beyond the Funding & Programming Committee. There was only one application flagged for conditional acceptance, the Brooklyn Park Highway 252 and Humboldt Avenue/ 81st Avenue Pedestrian Bridge because it is a project within a larger project currently within an environmental impact statement (EIS). Peterson discussed the application will be scored, and if selected and funded, then the project would be kept out of the TIP until the EIS process was concluded. This may require a TIP amendment, scope change, or return the funding.

Keel noted that in previous cycles there were more applications flagged for disqualification and asked why this year there were so few. Peterson noted that the previous cycle there were a few projects that did not meet the requirements but that most were missing attachments that could be provided and were given additional time to submit (due to COVID-19).

Motion carried unanimously.

3. **2022-26:** [Program Year Extension Request: Hennepin County University Avenue](#)

It was moved by Mareck, seconded by Brown, that the Funding & Programming Committee recommend that TAB approve Hennepin County's program year extension request to move its University Avenue and 4th Street Bikeway (SP# 027- 636-012) from fiscal year 2022 to fiscal year 2023.

Barbeau presented Hennepin County's program year extension request. There was no discussion.



Motion carried unanimously.

Information

There were no informational items.

Other Business

Hiniker reminded the committee that there have been multiple announcements for funding opportunities, including MnDOT's active transportation planning assistance grants which are due June 10th. There are additional workshops, webinars, and training for upcoming funding opportunities. Barbeau added that if any agency has questions, they can contact him, and he will connect them to the correct person.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

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