
*Transportation Advisory Board
Of the Metropolitan Council*

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
9:00 A.M.**

Members Present: Jack Forslund, Lyndon Robjent, Brian Sorenson, Ted Schoenecker, Carla Stueve, Lisa Freese, Jan Lucke, Elaine Koutsoukos, Steve Peterson, Michael Larson, Adam Harrington, Brian Isaacson, Amanda Smith, Bridget Rief, Dave Jacobson, Danny McCullough, Karl Keel, Paul Oehme, Michael Thompson, Kim Lindquist, Jen Hager, Jack Byers, Bill Dermody, Paul Kurtz (Excused: Jim Kosluchar, Steve Bot, Peter Dahlberg)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Freese at 9:04 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was moved by Dave Jacobson and seconded by Brian Isaacson. No discussion. Motion passed.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was moved by Elaine Koutsoukos and seconded by Brian Isaacson. Motion passed.

4. TAB Report

Elaine Koutsoukos reported on the January 17 TAB meeting.

Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee (Lisa Freese, Chair)

Lisa Freese reported on the Executive Committee meeting. Ted Schoenecker from Ramsey County will be the new TAC Vice Chair. A scope change committee has been established to work on the process to assist Funding & Programming.

B. Planning Committee (Jan Lucke, Chair)

Jan Lucke reported the results of the Planning Committee.

2018-16 Airlake Long Term Comprehensive Plan. Jan Lucke introduced the item. There were no questions. Michael Larson moved and Bridget Rief seconded the recommended motion. Motion passed.

C. Funding and Programming Committee (Paul Oehme, Chair)

2018-10 Scope Change: Minneapolis 6th Street HSIP. Paul Oehme presented the item. Jack Byers moved and Adam Harrington seconded the recommended motion. Jen Hager provided comments on 2018-10, 2018-11, 2018-12, and 2018-13, saying that projects should not have a reduction in federal awards due

to project elements moving into other, immediate projects. There is no reduction to public benefit. There is lack of clarity on when project elements can be added. Carla Stueve asked if the HSIP was proactive or reactive. Steve Peterson responded that it had a cost/benefit component, so it is reactive. Lyndon Robjert said that the scope change committee will be evaluating whether or not this kind of action is needed for such a low dollar value change.

Jen Hager moved an amendment to amend the scope with no reduction in federal funding, and was seconded by Lyndon Robjert. Motion passed.

Vote on the original motion passed.

2018-11 TIP Amendment: Minneapolis 6th Street HSIP. Paul Oehme presented the item. Paul Oehme moved and Michael Thompson seconded the recommended motion. The motion will be modified to reflect the result of 2018-10. Motion passed.

2018-12 Scope Change: Minneapolis Protected Bikeway. Paul Oehme presented the item. Jack Byers moved and Brian Isaacson seconded the recommended motion. Lyndon Robjert asked which project elements were removed. Jen Hager responded that the project was originally going to be paint and candlesticks, but the MnDOT work on the bridge is installing concrete barriers for the protected bikeway.

Jen Hager moved to reduce the project by the difference of the cost, approximately \$7,900. Brian Isaacson seconded. Amendment passed.

Original motion passed.

2018-13 TIP Amendment: Minneapolis Protected Bikeway. Paul Oehme presented the item. Paul Oehme moved and Jen Hager seconded. Motion passed.

2018-15 Regional Solicitation: Accept Public Comments. Paul Oehme presented the item. Ted Schoenecker moved and Michael Thompson seconded the recommended motion. Motion passed.

6. Special Agenda Items

Congestion Management Process Plan. (Dave Burns, MTS) Dave Burns presented on the CMP Plan RFP that will be released in the near future. Karl Keel suggested that the scope of the CMP should match the roadways under consideration for the Regional Solicitation. Ted Shoenecker asked what the CMP contributes that the TPP and Regional Solicitation do not do on congestion. Brian Isaacson responded that we have all the pieces, but they are currently not tied together. Ted Shoenecker asked how often this will be updated. Dave Burns responded that this is a continuous process; the CMP Plan will set the framework for the ongoing work. Lyndon Robjert and Brian Sorenson expressed concern with knowing in advance that the Regional Solicitation will have changes as a result of this work. Steve Peterson responded that all changes to the Solicitation will go through the standard process. Jan Lucke asked if the CMP will be used to evaluate MnDOT funding programs too. Steve Peterson responded that that remains unclear right now.

Lyndon Robjert said that it would be helpful to know if the historic percentage split between preservation and expansion should be changing. Steve Peterson said that the Council will be conducting

a before/after study this year to identify if projects have delivered what they promised. Lisa Freese said that Scott County does similar work on all of its projects.

7. Agency Reports

Adam Harrington thanked the local partners for the coordination for the Super Bowl.

Bridget Rief thanked the local partners for the coordination for the Super Bowl. 61,000 people used the MSP terminals on Monday, February 5. Having K9 units at TSA checkpoints was a significant help.

Brian Isaacson thanked the local partners for the coordination for the Super Bowl. On Saturday night before the game there were 229 plows on the road statewide, a new record. The I-94 project has a new manager, Gloria Jeffs. Corridors of Commerce projects have been collected and are currently being organized. Brian Isaacson will follow up with next steps for letters of support.

Jan Lucke announced that the Gold Line has moved into Project Development, thanks to the Council and other local partners.

8. Other Business and Adjournment

Elaine Kousoukos has TAB orientation meetings coming up; TAC members will be invited.

Steve Peterson thanked TAC members for comments on the TPP so far. Lyndon Robjent, Jack Lucke, and Lisa Freese thanked the Council for its outreach.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 10:09AM.

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