
*Transportation Advisory Board
Of the Metropolitan Council*

**Minutes of a Meeting of the
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, June 1, 2016
9:00 A.M.**

Members Present: Andrew Witter, Lyndon Robjent, Brian Sorenson, Carla Stueve, Tim Mayasich, Lisa Freese, Jan Lucke, Steve Bot, Elaine Koutsoukos, Mark Filipi, Michael Larson, Adam Harrington, Pat Bursaw, Amanda Smith, Bridget Rief, Kris Riesenber, Dave Jacobson, John Sheffner, Dave Tomporowski, Danny McCullough, Jean Keely, Steve Albrecht, Paul Oehme, Michael Thompson, Kim Lindquist, Bruce Loney, Jen Hager, Bill Dermody, Paul Kurtz (Excused: Jim Kosluchar, Jack Byers)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Steve Albrecht at 9:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Pat Bursaw moved and Mark Filipi seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

3. Approval of May Minutes

Mark Filipi moved and Pat Bursaw seconded. Motion passed.

4. TAB Report

Elaine Koutsoukos reported on the May 18, 2016 TAB meeting.

REPORTS

Agency Reports (MnDOT, MPCA, MAC and Metropolitan Council)

MnDOT: Scott McBride reported that reported there are only a few days left in the comment period for the Minnesota Statewide Multi-Modal Transportation Plan and the Minnesota Statewide Highway Investment Plan. McBride briefed the TAB on the specifics, priorities and investments/funding in the plans.

TAC Report

Steve Albrecht reported on that work is continuing on the Federal Fund Exchange (Defederalization) policy. Discussion will continue at the next TAB meeting. Steve also presented an overview of the 2016-19 Funding Reallocation information that was presented at TAC. Additional 2016 funds were used to pay back Advanced Construction projects. Staff will be developing options for re-allocating additional federal funds to projects in 2017. Additional funds in 2018 and 2019 will be added to the Regional Solicitation that is out right now.

ACTION ITEMS

1. 2016-33: Approved revision of TAB Bylaws. The TAB Bylaws will go to the Council for concurrence.

2. 2016-28: Approved the scope change for Hennepin County CSAH 46 Bridge (Godfrey Bridge), modifying the bridge design.
3. 2016-32: Approved the release of 2020-2021 MnDOT Metro District Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Solicitation

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Tour of A Line Bus Rapid Transit – The route travels on Snelling Avenue between Rosedale Transit Station and 46th Street Station (connecting to Hiawatha LRT)

5. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee (Steve Albrecht, Chair)

Steve Albrecht welcomed David Tomporowski and Kris Riesenberg to the day's meeting.

B. Planning Committee (Lisa Freese, Chair)

The Planning committee met in May with three information items.

2016-34 UPWP Administrative Amendment. Lisa Freese presented this item. There were no questions. Lisa Freese moved and Pat Bursaw seconded. There were no questions. Motion passes.

C. Funding and Programming Committee (Tim Mayasich, Chair)

2016-35 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program. Tim Mayasich introduced this item. Joe Barbeau, Mary Gustafson, and Lynne Bly followed with presentations on the contents of the TIP. There were no questions. Tim Mayasich moved the recommended motion and Paul Oehme seconded. Motion passes.

Update on Federal Funds Exchange. The work group is being reconvened to discuss DBE provisions. DBE specialists from the Council and MnDOT will attend the meeting.

6. Special Agenda Items

Principal Arterial Intersection Conversion Study. Steve Peterson, Paul Czech, and Doug Abere presented on the status of the study. There were no questions.

7. Agency Reports

Adam Harrington said that Metro Transit is starting service on the A Line on June 11. Additionally the 30 will begin weekend service and the 10 and 18 will begin 24 hour service.

Mark Filipi announced that there will not be a major reorganization of MTS, except office space will change. Arlene McCarthy's position will post soon for a replacement.

Elaine Koutsoukos said that the Regional Solicitation was released on May 19. Web grants training is underway. Brian Sorenson asked for additional information about the 'unique' project category. Elaine Koutsoukos responded that if your project doesn't fit into one of the ten categories, it should be submitted for consideration.

Steve Albrecht said that the July 6 meeting will fall during a holiday week but will have important action items, so please make sure someone from your department can attend.

8. Other Business and Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 9:49AM.

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