

Minutes

Transportation Advisory Board



Meeting date: July 19, 2023

Time: 12:30 PM

Location: 390 Robert Steet

Members present:

Chair, James Hovland
1st Vice Chair, Mark Windschitl
2nd Vice Chair, Trista MatasCastillo
Doug Anderson
Myron Bailey
Deb Barber
Michael Barnes
Carl Crimmins
Peter Dugan
Amity Foster
Chris Geisler
Debbie Goettel
Gary Hansen
Mary Liz Holberg
~~Mathews Hollinshead~~

Mitra Jalali
Mark Jenkins
Julie Jeppson
Glen Johnson
Stan Karwoski
~~Frank Kohlasch~~ (Todd Biewen)
~~Emily Koski~~ (Elliot Payne)
Andy Lewis
William Lindeke
~~Randy Maluchnik~~
Brian Martinson
Becky Petryk

Jess Robertson
George Schember
Mark Steffenson
Jon Ulrich
~~Jeffrey Weisense~~
~~Janet Williams~~
Tom Workman

Staff

Elaine Koutsoukos, TAB
Jeni Hager, TAC
Charles Carlson, MTS Director

Call to order

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Hovland called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:32 p.m.

Agenda approved

It was moved by Anderson, seconded by Goettel to approve the agenda. Committee members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda. **Motion carried.**

Reports

1. TAB Chair's Report – Jim Hovland

Hovland reported that the tabled item from the June meeting was withdrawn and will be resubmitted and brought forward to TAB in August.

2. Agency Reports – MnDOT, MPCA, MAC, and Metropolitan Council

MnDOT

Barnes reported that there has been an alarming increase in speeding in work zones.

MPCA

Biewen reported about a grant program to be administered to encourage communities deploy air monitors.

MAC

Crimmins reported on a joint powers agreement between the airport and the Met Council for law enforcement. Crimmins also shared that the FAA is surveying homes for the impact the airport has on their sleep. Crimmins noted another recent award that the airport has received. Passenger traffic is back to 2019 levels.

Metropolitan Council

Barber reported that transit ridership has increased 19% over 2022.

Suburban Transit Providers

Hansen reported that MVST revenues appear to be on track and procurement of buses continues to be a struggle.

3. TAC Report – Jeni Hager, TAC Chair

Hager reported on TAC input and stated that the technical committees desire more time for discussing the additional money.

Approval of minutes

It was moved by Anderson, seconded by Goettel to approve the minutes of the (date), 2023, regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board. **Motion carried.**

Consent business

1. There were no items on the consent agenda.

Non-consent business

1. **2023-37:** 2024 Regional Solicitation Public Comments and Recommendations (*Jed Hanson and Steve Peterson, MTS*)

It was moved by Goettel, seconded by Bailey, that the Transportation Advisory Board accept the public comments for the 2024 Regional Solicitation. **Motion carried.**

Information

1. Regional Transportation Sales and Use Tax for Active Transportation Projects (*Steve Peterson, MTS*)

TAB members discussed the two options presented. TAB members debated the merits of paths forward. Members agreed to have the technical staff work to bring forward options.

2. Transportation System Performance Evaluation (TSPE) (*Liz Roten, MTS*)

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

3. Urban Freight Distribution Study (*Steve Elmer, MTS*)

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

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