Minutes
TAC Planning Committee

Meeting Date: August 11, 2022  Time: 1:00 PM  Location: Virtual

Members Present:
☐ Anoka Co - Jack Forslund  ☒ Carver Co - Jack Johansen
☐ Chanhassen - Charlie Howley  ☒ Council Community Development - Michael Larson
☒ Council MTS - Dave Burns  ☒ Dakota Co - Gina Mitteco
☐ FHWA - Vacant (ex-officio)  ☒ Hennepin Co - Jason Gottfried
☐ Metro Transit - Steve Mahowald  ☐ MAC - Bridget Rief
☐ Minneapolis - Jim Voll  ☐ MnDOT - Michael Corbett
☐ MPCA - Innocent Eyoh  ☐ Ramsey Co - Scott Mareck (Chair)
☐ Roseville - Marc Culver  ☒ St. Paul - Bill Dermody
☒ Scott Co - Nathan Abney  ☒ Suburban Transit Assoc - Ben Picone
☒ TAB Coordinator - Elaine Koutsoukos
☒ Washington Co - Lyssa Leitner
= present, E = excused

Call to Order
A quorum being present, Committee Chair Mareck called the regular meeting of the TAC Planning Committee to order at 1:02 p.m. on roll call. He also notified the committee he would serve as Chair and Angie Stenson would serve as Vice Chair; former Chair Emily Jorgensen has taken on a new role at Washington County.

Agenda Approved
Chair Mareck 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 David Burns, seconded by Jason Gottfried to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2022 regular meeting of the TAC Planning Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment on Committee Business
There were no public comments.

Business
1. 2022-31: 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
   David Burns presented this business item. The draft 2023 UPWP and slides are posted on the agenda.
   Chair Mareck asked how staff are monitoring change in transit ridership relative to COVID-19 recovery. David Burns said this is being monitored closely, including through the Transit On-Board Survey, which is funded by sources other than Consolidated Planning Grants. Jonathan Ehrlich, MTS Planning, said staff is monitoring ridership and traffic data, and staff is deploying surveys on overall travel behavior and transit patterns that will be available in
the spring.

Gina Mitteco said the pandemic has changed bicycle commuting patterns and the Regional Bicycle Transportation Network was based on getting people to job centers. She asked if that is still the major need today with where and how people are working, if people are making more local trips to replace reduced transit service, and if these questions can be rolled into a post-pandemic analysis of travel patterns. Jed Hanson, MTS Planning, read a related chat comment from Michael Corbett that said another round of Metro Transit service changes take place August 20th partly in response to recent trends. David Burns said the suggestion was appreciated and would be further discussed.

It was moved by Lyssa Leitner, seconded by Bill Dermody, that the TAC Planning Committee recommend that TAC recommend adoption of the 2023 Unified Planning Work Program.

**Motion carried** unanimously.

**Other Business**
There was no other business.

**Adjournment**
Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

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