

**Minutes of the  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)**

Wednesday, April 15, 2015  
Metropolitan Council Chambers, 390 North Robert St., St. Paul

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Hovland, James, Chair	Fawley, Ethan	Butcher, Gerry
Crimmins, Carl	McBride, Scott	Hansen, Gary	Slawik, Nora
Van Hattum, David	Look, Matt	McKnight, Kenya	Miron, Fran
Janovy, Jennifer	Petryk, Becky	Maluchnik, Randy	Gunyou, John
d’Almeida, Anani	Ulrich, Jon	Tolbert, Chris	Rodriguez, Katie
Schwietz, Patricia	Swanson, Dick	Gaylord, Kathleen	Hamann-Roland, Mary
Laufenburger, Denny	Dugan, Peter	McGuire, Mary Jo	Reich, Kevin
Callison, Jan			
ABSENT:	Thornton, David	Goins, William	Miranda, Suyapa
	Miranda, Suyapa	Lilligren, Robert	Sanger, Sue
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Elaine Koutsoukos, TAB Coordinator		

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum was present when Chair Hovland called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:35 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, 2015.

**II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Hovland stated that MnDOT has requested that Action Item 2015-19 be removed from the agenda, and there has been an additional information item added – Update on Travel Demand Management (TDM) Projects. With these changes, a motion was made by Miron, seconded by Ulrich to adopt the 04/15/15 amended agenda. Motion carried.

There have been new TAB members appointed, Hovland asked the committee members to introduce themselves and state the area that they represent.

**III. PUBLIC FORUM**

Invitation to the public to address the Board about any issue not on the agenda. There were no members of the public present to address the TAB at today’s meeting.

**IV. REPORTS**

**1. TAB Chair’s Report**

Hovland reported that the TAB Executive Committee met prior to today’s TAB meeting. There was complex discussion regarding the Regional Solicitation funding and final scores, which will be part of the TAB discussions and recommendations at this TAB meeting.

The TAB Executive Committee also briefly discussed 2016 money, the discussion will continue at future meetings.

**2. Agency Reports (MnDOT, MPCA, MAC and Metropolitan Council)**

MnDOT: Scott McBride- nothing to report.

MPCA: David Thornton was not present at the meeting. No report.

MAC: Carl Crimmins – nothing to report

Metro Council: Katie Rodriguez reported that the Metropolitan Council approved the draft amendment to the 2040 Housing Policy Plan on March 25. The plan has three main components including an update of

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the allocation of affordable housing need and update of the criteria to develop the housing performance scores. The plan is out for public comment until May 15. On Thursday 4/09 updated local forecasts of population, employment and households went out to local governments. The forecasts will be out for public comment until May.

### 3. Technical Advisory Committee

Steve Albrecht reported there is one action item from the TAC, which is on today's TAB agenda.

## V. CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Callison, seconded by Petryk and passed to approve the consent item below.

1. Approval of the Minutes from March 18, 2015.

## VI. ACTION ITEMS

1. ~~2015-19: 2015-2018 TIP Amendment, MnDOT~~

This item was deleted from the agenda.

2. 2015-21: 2016-2019 TIP Schedule

Steve Albrecht presented this item. There were no questions from committee members.

Motion by Hamann-Roland, seconded by Hansen that the Transportation Advisory Board adopt the proposed schedule for the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Motion passed.

## VII. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Regional Solicitation Final Scores, and
2. Regional Solicitation Funding Discussion

Metropolitan Transportation Services Planning Analysts Carl Ohrn and Steve Peterson presented this item. For discussion, recommendations, and guidance, Steve Peterson noted the 8 funding options on page 5 a-h; these will be brought to Funding & Programming on 4/16. He described the scenario that was used to prepare the tables that were presented to TAB. Jim Hovland stated that prior to the TAB meeting today, the TAB Executive Committee looked at the 8 scenarios, and came to the conclusion that they would like F&P to look at: a) Mid-Level Base Scenario, and Mid Level Scenarios b) Expansion-Heavy and c) Modernization/Reconstruction-Heavy. Members also discussed including g) Transit-Heavy and h) Bicycle/Pedestrian-Heavy.

### Conclusions/directions from TAB:

Staff will look at options a, b, c and bring to F&P for recommendation, then to TAB.

Included with the look at options a, b, & c, staff will also look at what would happen in each scenario if a few roadway or bike/ped projects were brought in, and show which projects would go away in that instance.

### Below is a list of additional information requested from staff by TAB:

- A. Provide mapping and/or another column on the spreadsheet showing what projects fall into ACP or ACP 50; perhaps an overlay over the existing map.
- B. Add a column for total projects applied for in the County Summary
- C. Look at a broader timeframe (5, 10 years) to look at regional balance over time.
- D. Provide the same "summary" table for each funding option that is brought back to TAB
- E. As much as you can detail what we are looking at and the factors that made up what's in front of us would be helpful
- F. Provide a pie chart showing what percent of the TAB dollars for both transit and roads are funding projects in the region (show how much comes through the different funding sources)

- G. Provide a pie chart showing the percentage of roadway spending that goes toward biking and walking
- H. Staff to provide help with things that make sense. For example there are projects in different mode categories that go together, but don't necessarily have the same scoring (example: TH36/Hadley interchange in the roadway expansion category, and Gateway State Trail/Hadley Ave in the bike/ped category).
- I. Provide a list of Metro Council staff people who work in the various areas (sector reps? CM representatives for the different communities?)

3. TDM Project Update

Metro Transit Manager Commuter Programs Theresa Cain gave an update on the TDM programs that have been funded through TAB. She shared a handout with the status of the various projects.

4. Transit On-Board Survey Funding Request

Metropolitan Transportation Services Planning Analyst Jonathan Ehrlich presented this item. The Transit On-Board Survey was last performed in 2010 and is required every 5 years for forecasting. It benefits all transit providers and all routes. A proposal to use 2016 funds for this survey is scheduled to appear for action by the TAB at their May 2015 meeting.

**VIII. OTHER BUSINESS AND ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS**

None

**IX. ADJOURNMENT** - Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.