

# Meeting Notes

2050 TPP Technical Working Group



**Meeting Date:** December 8, 2022

**Time:** 1:35 PM

**Location:** Virtual

## Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7W - Andrew Whitter                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council, Research - Todd Graham                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Move Minneapolis - Tiffany Orth                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anoka Co - Jack Forslund                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metropolitan Airports Commission - Bridget Rief | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ramsey Co - Scott Mareck (Chair)                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burnsville - Regina Dean                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metro Transit - Steve Mahowald                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> St. Paul - Bill Dermody                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carver Co - Angie Stenson (Vice Chair)         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Minneapolis - Jasna Hadzic-Stanek               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stillwater - Tim Gladhill                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centerville - Mark Statz                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DEED - Ed Hodder                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Co - Nathan Abney                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chanhassen - Charlie Howley                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MDH - Ellen Pillsbury                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban Transit Assoc - Ben Picone               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coon Rapids - Tim Himmer                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DNR - Nancy Spooner-Walsh                       | <input type="checkbox"/> TAB Coordinator - Elaine Koutsoukos                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dakota Co - Gina Mitteco                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Freight - Andrew Andrusko                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TAC Chair - Jon Solberg                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FHWA - Vacant   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Metro District - Michael Corbett          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TC Shared Mobility Collaborative – Will Schroerer |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hennepin Co - KC Atkins                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT OTSM - Joe Klein                          | <input type="checkbox"/> UMN CTS - Kyle Shelton                                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Community Development - Michael Larson | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Sustainability - Nissa Tupper             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington Co - Maddie Dahlheimer                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council MTS - Dave Burns                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MnDOT Traffic Safety - Derek Leuer              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> West Saint Paul - Ross Beckwith                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council, MTS Planning Director - Amy Vennewitz | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MPCA - Innocent Eyoh                            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> = present   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Council, Parks - Emmett Mullin                            |   |   |

## Opening

Chair Scott Mareck, Ramsey County, opened the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

## Update on Regional Values, Vision, and Goals

Michael Larson, Community Development – Local Planning Assistance, presented an update on engagement and development of the values, vision, and goals for the next Regional Development Guide.

The working group offered no questions or comments.

## Update on the Regional Travel Demand Management (TDM) Study

Cole Hiniker, MTS Planning, presented an update on the Regional TDM Study, including study tasks, progress on study deliverables to date, and TDM framework goals.

Chair Mareck said that the group can appreciate there is not enough money to build the region's way out of congestion, so different strategies need to be thought about. He said the key will be finding actionable strategies to elevate this topic among cities, counties, and within the Met Council.

Andrew Andrusko, MnDOT Freight, asked for clear differentiation between single-occupancy vehicle parking minimums and commercial vehicle parking. He noted encouragement from the Biden administration to provide for on-street commercial vehicle parking. He asked what land use policy levers can be used to reduce industrial trip length. Cole Hiniker asked if these comments can be answered in the MnDOT Metro Freight Study. Andrew Andrusko answered that they could be, and the intent is to have a Metro District Freight Plan that focuses on aligning freight needs

with future investments. Andrew Andrusko said the American Trucking Associations is seeing increased levels of ecommerce goods deliveries substituting shopping trips.

KC Atkins, Hennepin County, asked if the Met Council is working to identify ways to fund transit only lanes. She said raising local funds for these can be a challenging and the funding provided by the Met Council only covers station locations. Cole Hiniker answered that Metro Transit is the primary transit implementing point of contact. He said the Regional Solicitation awards points for multimodal facilities in the Roadway Modernization category and that bus lanes are eligible in Transit Expansion and Transit Modernization categories. KC Atkins also said that state aid allows implementation of transit lanes but does not allow paying for maintenance of transit only lanes, as they are not considered motor vehicle travel lanes. KC Atkins said there is need for elderly users to get around by means other than transit. Steve Peterson, MTS Planning, said the Bielenberg Drive Gold Line project received Regional Solicitation funding for transit lanes. He also mentioned road diet projects have been funded in the Roadway Modernization category, but he said applicants may be hesitant to commit to using that space for transit lanes prior to completion of environmental review, alternatives development, and community engagement.

Chair Mareck said COVID-19 travel behavior, telework norming, and growth change may impact how the region implements travel demand management.

## Closing

Chair Mareck closed the meeting at 2:36 p.m.

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