

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
Metropolitan Council
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Notes of a Meeting of the
TAC-PLANNING COMMITTEE
October 12th, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Holly Anderson, Jack Byers, Charlie Cochrane, Paul Czech, Bill Dermody, Innocent Eyoh, Jack Forslund, Lisa Freese, Jean Keely, Elaine Koutsoukos, Michael Larson, Joe Lux, Dan McCormick, Jason Pieper, Rachel Wiken

OTHERS PRESENT: Emily Jorgensen (Washington County), David Burns, Daniel Peña, Aaron Bartling, Tony Fischer, Connie Kozlak, Cole Hiniker, Steve Elmer.

1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Lisa Freese.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

3. Approval of the Minutes from the Sept 2017 meetings

Minutes were amended to note the excused absence of Jean Keely. Koutsoukos moved, Forslund seconded. Motion passed.

4. Action Item 2017-27 MPO MOU (Katie White)

Connie Kozlak presented for Katie White, who was on vacation.

In Nov 2016, the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration recommended in the Transportation Management Area Certification Review of the Met Council updating the memorandum of understanding between the Met Council MPO and MnDOT. The current MOU was from Dec 2008. With changes to policy and funding programs, the current MOU did not reflect current planning efforts. Lux moved, Eyoh second. Motion passed.

5. Info Items

1) Revised 2018 UPWP – Katie White

Connie Kozlak presented changes to the Unified Planning Work Program. After the UPWP had gone through committee for approval (including TAC Planning) the FHWA had asked for edits. Major edits included adding more description, rewriting the CMP chapter, and correcting typos/deadlinks.

2) RBTN Changes - Steve Elmer

Steve Elmer presented changes to the Regional Bikeway Transportation Network. These proposed changes came from input from city / county engineering and planning staff, review by bike/ped peer group, the regional solicitation process, and communication with local agencies since the last TPP update.

Elmer walked through maps highlighting new corridors and deleted corridors. He also provided a few copies of detailed list of changes by county. County level maps will be available online.

3) **TPP Update - Strategies Comments - Amy Vennewitz / Cole Hiniker**

At the September TAC Planning meeting, Cole Hiniker had handed out the strategies chapter and asked the committee to review. This month, Amy Vennewitz asked for feedback from the committee. The committee asked questions about the organization of the goals and strategies. There were several comments on clarifying language and better organization.

Chair Freese suggested based on the comments, including some duplication between commenters and what had been submitted, that staff provide a better system for interactive commenting, so that the committee could see what had been submitted and add to others' comments. Vennewitz said she would bring an update to the next meeting.

4) **TPP Update - Transit Investments Overview - Cole Hiniker**

Cole Hiniker presented a PPT highlighting the changes coming in the draft Transit chapter, which will be presented at TAC Planning in October.

The map of the Current Revenue Scenario Transitways was edited to show the removal of the CTIB priority projects, removal of Chicago Emerson Fremont BRT, and the addition of Rush Line.

The Increased Revenue Scenario still includes 1% expansion, which Hiniker clarified was 1% transit service expansion, not 1% funding expansion.

Hiniker also commented on the fiscal changes, including a new sales tax to replace the state share for capital funding.

Bill Dermody asked if the Riverview corridor would be shown going to the Ford Site. Hiniker replied that it would not until the Riverview study was complete. That change would be amended to the plan.

The full presentation can be seen here. https://metro council.org/Council-Meetings/Committees/Transportation-Advisory-Board-TAB/TAB-Technical-Advisory-Committee/TAC-Planning-Committee/2017/TAC-Planning-Committee-10-12-17/Oct_5_4_Transit-Investments-2017-10-12-TAC-Plannin.aspx

5) **TPP Update – Land Use Draft Chapter – Cole Hiniker**

Hiniker handed out the redlined chapter of the Land Use Chapter and asked for committee to provide feedback.

6) **Highway Revenue / Finance – Tony Fischer**

Tony Fischer quickly walked through a powerpoint explaining changes to highway revenues. Committee talked about construction cost index and how inflation prices were determined. As the meeting was already over time, the discussion was brief. Feedback encouraged to Fischer or Steve Peterson. Full PPT <https://metro council.org/Council-Meetings/Committees/Transportation-Advisory-Board-TAB/TAB-Technical-Advisory->

5. Other Business

none

6. Adjournment

Adjourn at 3:20pm