

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
Metropolitan Council
390 N. Robert St., St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1805

Notes of a Meeting of the
TAC-PLANNING COMMITTEE
March 8th, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT: Holly Anderson, Jack Byers, Paul Czech, Bill Dermody, Innocent Eyoh, Jack Forslund, Nate Hood, Jarrett Hubbard, Elaine Koutsoukos, Michael Larson, Steve Mahowald, Dan McCormick, Kevin Roggenbuck, Katie White, Rachel Wiken

OTHERS PRESENT: Loren Olson (City of Minneapolis), Steve Elmer, Amy Vennewitz, Cole Hiniker, Tony Fischer, Dave Burns, Aaron Barton (MVRTA), Andrew Emanuele (FHWA), Heidi Schallberg, Jonathan Ehrlich, Joe Barbeau, Russ Owen, Nick Thompson

1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order by Kevin Roggenbuck, filling in for Chair Lucke

2. Adoption of the Agenda

3. Approval of the Minutes from the Feb 2018 meetings

4. Action Item

1. 2018-24 Release TPP for Public Comment (MTS Staff)

Amy Vennewitz began by discussing the schedule for the Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) approval and release. MnDOT will be releasing information about Corridors of Commerce projects in May. These will be incorporated into the TPP, including rerunning the forecast model and air conformity. The new version, including Corridors of Commerce will come back to TAC Planning this summer. Kevin Roggenbuck expounded on the idea that this document is not static, still evolving with new data and changes. Vennewitz added that this Committee could recommend release of the document as is, or with changes.

Vennewitz noted that staff received very few comments on the Overview and asked the Committee to comment further on that section. After discussion, language about electric cars and charging stations was recommended for addition.

Staff presented a powerpoint highlighting the changes to the chapters. <https://metro council.org/Council-Meetings/Committees/Transportation-Advisory-Board-TAB/TAB-Technical-Advisory-Committee/TAC-Planning-Committee/2018/TAC-Planning-3-08-18/Presentation-on-Changes.aspx>

Cole Hiniker began with Chapters 1 and 2. Chapters 2, Strategies, included a long discussion of strategy C9. The committee recommended rewriting this strategy.

Amy Vennewitz presented Chapter 4, Transportation Finance.

Tony Fischer presented on Chapter 5, Highways, highlighting updated maps and funding charts. Staff is waiting on congestion maps and updated model runs.

Hiniker presented on Chapter 6, Transit, highlighting additions from the park and ride model study, new language emphasizing Chicago – Emerson – Freemont line as highest priority for ABRT funding, and updated Hwy 169 BRT info. Many maps updated.

Steve Elmer presented on Chapter 7, Bike / Ped, highlighting the restructured bike barrier study results.

Elmer also presented on Chapter 8, Freight, highlighting new language that is more neutral about automated trucks.

Russ Owen presented on Chapter 9, Aviation.

Heidi Schallberg presented on Chapter 10, Equity and Environmental Justice and Chapter 11, Environment and Air Quality.

Dave Burns presented on Chapter 12, Congestion Management Process and Chapter 13, Performance Outcomes.

Katie White presented on Chapter 14, Work Program.

Vennewitz ended the presentation by walking through the schedule again. If TAC Planning approves, TPP will go to TAC and TAB in April. May and June would include adding Corridors of Commerce information. July and August would be public comment period. August and Sept, public comment report and revisions. Approval of full document by Metropolitan Council in October of 2018.

Bill Dermody asked for clarification on the motion to approve for release. Staff responded that the motion to release the TPP would include the changes discussed during this TAC planning meeting, including AV / electric vehicles language additions, rewording Strategy C9, Metro Mobility Task Force language additions, and adding Corridors of Commerce when available.

Motion to approve, vote was unanimous.

5. Other Business

6. Adjournment

Adjourn at 2:36