

Minutes of the

REGULAR MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Committee Members Present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Hovland, James (Chair)	Anderson, Doug	Bailey, Myron
Barber, Deb	Barnes, Michael	Boyles, Frank	Crimmins, Carl
Dugan, Peter	Foster, Amity	Fox, Nick (Martinson, Brian)	Geisler, Christopher
Giuliani Stephens, Mary	Goettel, Debbie	Hamann-Roland, Mary	Hansen, Gary
Holberg, Mary Liz	Hollinshead, Mathews	Karwoski, Stan	Lindeke, William
Look, Matt	Maluchnik, Randy	McDonnell, Craig (Biewen, Todd)	McGuire, Mary Jo
Narayanan, Ashwat	Reich, Kevin	Sanger, Sue	Schember, George
Steffenson, Mark	Tolbert, Chris	Ulrich, Jon	Windschitl, Mark
Wosje, Jeff			
ABSENT:	Petryk, Becky	Swanson, Dick	
LIAISON/STAFF PRESENT:	Koutsoukos, Elaine TAB Coordinator	Freese, Lisa TAC Chair	Thompson, Nick MTS Director

I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chair Hovland called the regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board to order at 12:34 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

Motion by Hamann-Roland, seconded by McGuire, to approve the agenda of the October 21, 2020, regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board. **Motion carried.**

Aye: 29 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Biewen, Boyles, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, Martinson, McGuire, Narayanan, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Ulrich, Windschitl, Wosje
Nay: 0
Absent: 2 Petryk, Swanson
Not Recorded: 2 Steffenson, Tolbert

III. REPORTS

1. TAB Chair's Report

Hovland reported that the Executive Committee still needs representatives. Hovland reported on the I-94 Manning Park and Ride Lot turnback as well. Hovland also mentioned the MPO function of the Metropolitan Council.

2. Agency Reports MnDOT, MPCA, MAC, and Metropolitan Council

MnDOT, Mike Barnes:

Barnes reported that Scott Peterson will be retiring. Highway 5 by the airport is now open and the construction season is mostly wrapped up. The freight program results will be out in December.

MPCA, Biewen:

Biewen reported that a new grant is out to install new electric vehicle charging stations. Clean Cars MN rulemaking continues.

MAC, Carl Crimmins:

Crimmins reported that the airport has again been the recipient of awards. There is also a new COVID testing site that is free to MN citizens and results are emailed within 24 hours. Budget will be submitted to the legislature soon.

Metropolitan Council, Deb Barber:

Barber reported that the TPP will come before the Transportation Committee and Council this month. Barber also mentioned the Transit Service Allocation Study Workshop. Foster asked about the MTPD role in mask enforcement. Barber said new messaging is being put out.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2020

Motion by Hamann-Roland, seconded by Anderson, to approve the amended minutes of the October 21, 2020, regular meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board. **Motion carried.**

Aye: 29 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Biewen, Boyles, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Holberg, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Maluchnik, Martinson, McGuire, Narayanan, Reich, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Tolbert, Ulrich, Windschitl
Absent: 2 Petryk, Swanson
Not Recorded:2 Look, Wosje

V. ACTION ITEMS

Consent

There were no items on the consent agenda.

Non-Consent

There were no items on the non-consent agenda.

VI. INFORMATION

1. Arterial BRT Engagement Update

Metro Transit TSD Administration Director Robin Cauffman and BRT Projects Assistant Director Katie Roth presented this item.

Goettel brought up second-ring suburbs with equity issues as well. McGuire questioned the demographics of who the survey responses come from. Cauffman detailed the current ways distribution takes place. Foster asked about city and county council member engagement. Maluchnik commented on the improvement this is over previous years. Sanger noted that most communities have a human rights commission and reaching out to the commission directly would be helpful. Windschitl mentioned the importance of the suburban transit provider funding.

2. Funding Scenarios for the Regional Solicitation

Metropolitan Transportation Services Highway and TAB/TAC Manager Steve Peterson and Senior Planner Joe Barbeau presented this item.

Karwoski asked to table the item since it was added shortly before the meeting. Hovland proposed hearing the scenarios and then discussing tabling. I-94 Manning Park and Ride Lot was brought up and MTS Director Thompson stated the staff recommendation is to hold off on deciding until after the Solicitation has closed. Barnes mentioned that planning staff looked at funding that MnDOT could provide as local match to awarded projects and \$20 million total was the tentative number. Ulrich said he can't recall a county not getting a project and that Scott County would be able to fund the local match for their project, if it is selected to receive federal funds. Hamann-Roland asked for historical context and if the decision could be made in December. Thompson said there was a commitment made to TAB that the decision would be made by December and because there's old money there are more options than typical hence more pros and cons than in previous years. Sanger brought up the ease of counties to fund smaller projects.

Motion by Maluchnik, seconded by Goettel, to adopt the staff recommendation to wait on allocating the returned funding until after the Regional Solicitation projects are selected. **Motion carried.**

Aye: 28 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Biewen, Boyles, Crimmins, Dugan, Foster, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, Martinson, McGuire, Narayanan, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Tolbert, Ulrich, Windschitl
Absent: 2 Petryk, Swanson
Not Recorded:3 Holberg, Reich, Wosje

Motion by Maluchnik, seconded by Hamann-Roland, to move forward with scenario option 1B. **Motion carried.**

Aye: 25 Anderson, Bailey, Barber, Barnes, Biewen, Dugan, Foster, Geisler, Giuliani Stephens, Goettel, Hamann-Roland, Hansen, Hollinshead, Karwoski, Lindeke, Look, Maluchnik, Martinson, McGuire, Narayanan, Sanger, Schember, Steffenson, Ulrich
Nay: 2 Holberg, Windschitl
Absent: 2 Petryk, Swanson
Not Recorded:4 Boyles, Crimmins, Tolbert, Wosje

VII. ITEMS OF TAB MEMBERS

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

Jenna Ernst
Recording Secretary