

**SIouxLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)  
Transportation Technical Committee (TTC)**

**Minutes**

January 3, 2018

1:30 P.M.

SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Aaron Lincoln, Chair	City of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
Dave Carney, Vice Chair	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Jill Wanderscheid	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Jeff Dooley	Dakota Dunes CID, South Dakota
Ted Cherry	City of North Sioux City, South Dakota
Mike Collett	City of Sioux City, Iowa / Airport
Jeff Harcum	City of Sioux City, Iowa / Transit
Robert Livermore	City of South Sioux City, Nebraska
Ben Kusler ( <i>Sub. for Mark Nahra</i> )	Woodbury County
Tom Rohe	Plymouth County, Iowa
Jeff Noteboom ( <i>Sub. for Jerry Buum</i> )	Union County, South Dakota

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Alyssa Silhacek	City of Dakota City, Nebraska
Fred Kellogg	Dakota County, Nebraska

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS:**

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Department of Transportation
Linda Langdale ( <i>Conf. Call</i> ) ( <i>Sub. for Paul Gavin</i> )	Nebraska Department of Roads
Jill Kuhel ( <i>Conf. Call</i> ) ( <i>Sub. for Paul Gavin</i> )	Nebraska Department of Roads
Justin Luther ( <i>Conf. Call</i> )	Federal Highway Administration, Nebraska
Brad Remmich ( <i>Conf. Call</i> )	S. Dakota Department of Transportation

**GUESTS:**

Jason Kjenstad	HDR Inc.
Colin Ryan	Woodbury County Hwy
Gordon Phair	City of Sioux City, Iowa

**STAFF:**

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Curt Miller, Transit Director	SRTS
Jacob Heil, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO

The TTC met on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 1:30 p.m., SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa. A quorum was present. *Chair Lincoln called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.*

I. **Introductions**

- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Lincoln asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 3, 2018 agenda as presented.

*Jeff Harcum moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Jill Wanderscheid. Motion carried all ayes.*

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Lincoln asked if there were any additions or corrections to the November 1, 2017 minutes as presented.

*Robert Livermore moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mike Collett. Motion carried all ayes.*

- IV. **Review Monthly Correspondence:** Michelle Bostinelos presented pertinent correspondence since the November 1, 2017 TTC meeting.

- V. **Transportation Improvement Progress Report:** Iowa Department of Transportation and member cities and counties updated the TTC on the progress of transportation improvements throughout the MPO region.

- VI. **Resolution 2018-7 MPO Targets for Safety Performance Measures:** Staff presented the resolution that sets the Safety Performance Targets for the MPO. This resolution supports all 3 states targets for safety performance (Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota).

*Mike Collett moved to approve the resolution presented, seconded by Dave Carney. Motion carried all ayes.*

- VII. **FY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment:** Staff presented the following amendment to the FY 2018-2021 TIP for recommendation to the Policy Board.

*The following language to be added to the FY 2018-2021 TIP:*

*Rather than setting its own 2014-2018 safety targets, the SIMPCO MPO has chosen to support the Iowa DOT's, Nebraska DOT's and South Dakota DOT's safety targets as published in the Iowa Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) 2017 Annual Report and the South Dakota HSIP 2017 Annual Report. The MPO supports those targets by reviewing and programming all Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) projects within the MPO boundary that are included in the DOT's Transportation Improvement Program. Any Iowa DOT or South Dakota DOT sponsored HSIP projects within the MPO area were selected based on safety performance measures and were approved by the Iowa and South Dakota Transportation Commissions. The Iowa and South Dakota DOTs conferred with numerous stakeholder groups, including the SIMPCO MPO, as part of its target setting process. Working in partnership with local agencies, Iowa and South Dakota DOT safety investments were identified and programmed which will construct effective countermeasures to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries. Iowa and South Dakota DOT projects chosen for HSIP investment are based on crash history, roadway characteristics, and the existence of infrastructure countermeasures that can address the*

types of crashes present. The Iowa and South Dakota DOTs continue to utilize a systemic safety improvement process rather than relying on “hot spot” safety improvements.

Dave Carney moved to approve the amendment as presented, seconded by Mike Collett. Motion carried all ayes.

VIII. **Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Application and Application Process:**

Staff presented the Iowa STBG application and application process to the TTC for recommendation to the Policy Board.

TTC agreed to proceed with STBG application without any changes to the application, qualifying criteria and scoring process. Dave Carney motioned to approve process, seconded by Aaron Lincoln. Motion carried all ayes.

IX. **Iowa Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Flex Allocation:** Staff asked the TTC to make a recommendation to the Policy Board regarding the allocation of TAP Flex to either STBG projects or TAP.

Dave Carney moved to approve the allocation to STBG, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried all ayes.

X. **Dakota Dunes/North Sioux City Planning Study:** Jason Kjenstad with HDR presented the final Dakota Dunes/North Sioux City Planning Study for recommendation to the Policy Board.

Ted Cherry moved to approve the planning study presented, seconded by Jeff Dooley. Motion carried all ayes.

XI. **MPO Officer Elections:**

Chair – Aaron Lincoln

Jeff Dooley moved to approve Lincoln as Chair for the MPO TTC, seconded by Jeff Harcum. Motion carried all ayes.

Vice Chair – Dave Carney

Jill Wanderscheid moved to approve Carney as Vice Chair for the MPO TTC, seconded by Mike Collett. Motion carried all ayes.

XII. **Additional Comments:** Next meeting – February 28, 2018

XIII. **Adjournment:** Mike Collett moved to adjourn the MPO TTC meeting, seconded by Jill Wanderscheid. Chair Lincoln adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

