

## Minutes

### SIouxLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO) METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)

#### Policy Board

*Thursday, November 6, 2025, 1:30 p.m.*

*SIMPCO, 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City IA & Zoom Conference Call*

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ken Beaulieu, Chair	Dakota Dunes CID, SD
Craig Anderson, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, IA
Mike Dailey	Union County, SD
Ron Hanson	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA
Randy Meyer	City of South Sioux City, NE
Julie Schoenherr	City of Sioux City, IA
Mike Tokarczyk	Sioux City Transit System
Brian Van Berkum	Dakota County, NE

#### **NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT & GUESTS:**

Sarah Gilkerson	Department of Transportation – SD
Wes Fopma	Congressman Feenstra

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planning Manager	SIMPCO
Brian Pearson, Transit Director	SIMPCO/SRTS
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner I	SIMPCO
Emily Guthrie, Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

The MPO Policy Board met on Thursday, November 6, 2025, 1:30 p.m., via Zoom and in person at SIMPCO, located at 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, Iowa. A quorum was present. Chair, Ken Beaulieu, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**I. Roll Call:** Chair Beaulieu opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.

**II. Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to November 6, 2025, regular meeting agenda.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda as presented, second by Randy Meyer.  
Motion carried all ayes.*

**III. Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September 4, 2025 regular meeting minutes.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the September 4, 2025 regular minutes as presented, second by Mike Tokarczyk. Motion carried all ayes.*

Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the October 9, 2025 special meeting minutes.

*Randy Meyer moved to approve the October 9, 2025 special meeting minutes as presented, second by Ron Hanson. Craig Anderson; Abstain. Motion carried.*

- IV. Review Monthly Correspondence:** Michelle Bostinelos provided an overview of current projects and staff activities outlined in the Director Report included in the meeting packet.
- V. Transportation Improvement Progress Report:** The Iowa Department of Transportation and members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the MPO area.
- VI. Resolution 2026 – 1 Approval of Highway Safety Improvement (HSIP) Performance Measure 1 (PM1) Targets: (Action Item)** Michelle Bostinelos presented the HSIP Performance Measure 1 (PM1) targets for final approval. Michelle noted the focus role is to ensure projects align with the state's targets, including fatalities, serious injuries, and non-motorized injuries. The resolution is an updated version that aligns with those measures. She noted the TTC made a positive recommendation for approval.
- Julie Schoenherr moved to approve Resolution 2026-1 as presented, second by Mike Dailey. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Mike Dailey: aye; Ron Hanson: aye; Randy Meyer: aye; Julie Schoenherr: aye; Mike Tokarczyk: aye; Brian Van Berkum: aye. Motion carried (8:0).*
- VII. Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), & Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Deadline and Application Process (Action Item)** Ryan Brauer presented the following for final approval of the application period and process for STBG, CRP, and TAP applications sent by January 9, 2026, and due back by February 6, 2026, followed by reviews in the March meeting with funding allocations based on Iowa DOT targets. Ryan noted selected projects would be included in the TIP, with the related application scheduled for spring review and final approval by July. Ryan also noted the TTC made a positive recommendation for approval. Ryan mentioned the website link to the TAP Application has been updated.

*Julie Schoenherr moved to approve the application period and application process for STBG, CRP, and TAP applications as presented, seconded by Ron Hanson. Motion carried with all ayes.*

**VIII. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Draft Chapters 6 & 8** (Information Item) Ryan Brauer presented draft Chapter 5 with Michelle Bostinelos presenting Chapter 8 for review and comments on the documents. Michelle mentioned a Public Input meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2025 at SIMPCO. Following the public input meeting final approval of the 2050 LRTP will be requested at the January 8, 2026 meeting.

**IX. Additional Comments:**  
**Next Meeting**

- Thursday January 8, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

- May 7, 2026

**X. Adjournment:** *Craig Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Randy Meyer.* Chair Ken Beaulieu adjourned the meeting at 2:27 p.m.