

Minutes

SIouxLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO) METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO) Policy Board

Wednesday, March 5, 2026, at 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
Chris Bogenrief	City of North Sioux City, SD
Mike Dailey	Union County, SD
Dave Dietrich	Woodbury County, IA
Randy Meyer	City of South Sioux City, NE
Mark Reinders	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA
Mike Tokarczyk	Sioux City Transit System
Brian Van Berkum	Dakota County, NE

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT/GUESTS:

Steve Gramm	Department of Transportation – SD
Sarah Tracy	Department of Transportation-IA
Wes Fopma	Congressman Feenstra

STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planning Manager	SIMPCO
Emily Guthrie, Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

The Policy Board met on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., via in person, at 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, Iowa and via zoom. A quorum was present. Chair Ken Beaulieu called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

I. **Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call/Introductions:** Chair Ken 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 March 5, 2026, regular meeting agenda.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda presented, seconded by Mike Dailey.
Motion carried.*

III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the regular meeting minutes of January 8, 2026.

Mike Dailey moved to approve January 8, 2026, regular meeting minutes presented, seconded by Randy Meyer. Motion carried. (Craig Anderson & Mark Reinders abstains).

IV. Review Monthly Correspondence: Regional Planning Manager, Corinne Erickson provided an overview of current projects and staff activities outlined in the Director's Report included in the meeting packet.

V. Transportation Improvement Progress Report: Members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the MPO area.

VI. FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Modification & Amendment (Action Item)

Michelle Bostinelos presented the following modification & amendment to the FY 2026 – 2029 TIP for final approval. She noted the TTC made a positive recommendation for approval.

Modification (Information Item)

1. Iowa DOT project: IA 12 – Gordon Dr Viaduct (TPMS #54553), Rustin St. to Virginia St. in Sioux City is programmed for a total estimated cost of \$212,092,000 with \$94,793,600 Federal participation (NHPP), \$50,098,400 in state funds (PRF), and \$67,200,000 grant application in FY 2027-2028.

Amendment (Action Item)

1. Sioux City Transit System Light Duty Bus (176"wb) (TPMS #12116) needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$198,700 with \$168,895 Federal participation (5310, 5339) in FY 2026.

Craig Anderson moved to approve the amendment as presented, seconded by Mike Tokarczyk. Motion carried all ayes.

VII. Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) and Carbon Reductio Program (CRP) balances and applications- (Action Item)

Michelle Bostinelos presented STBG, TAP, and CRP balances and applications for final approval. She noted the TTC made positive recommendations for approval.

STBG - Michelle Bostinelos reported that Staff received one (1) STBG (Bacon Creek Conduit Project) from City of Sioux City request totaling \$4,000,000 for FY 2030. The Iowa DOT has estimated the FY 2030 target for the Iowa portion of the MPO at \$3,107,000 leaving a STBG balance of \$3,301,877.

TTC recommendations

- **Move Sioux City Hamilton Blvd project in the amount** of \$1,356,000 to FY 26 – *this will require a formal TIP amendment at the May meeting.*
- **Program Sioux City 11th St. Reconstruction Project** for \$3,000,000 in FY 28 – *this is a reduction of \$1 million from what was previously programmed*
- **Program the Sioux City Gordon Drive Bacon Creek Conduit** project for \$2,994,177 in FY 28, \$4,107,000 in FY 29, and \$3,107,000 in FY 30. - *FY 28 remains unchanged, FY 29 is increasing from \$2,912,123, FY 30 new award*

Mike Tokarczyk *moved to approve the TTC recommendations presented, seconded by Brian Van Berkum. Motion carried all ayes.*

**** Brian Van Berkum left meeting****

CRP – Michelle Bostinelos reported that Staff received a total of two (2) CRP requests totaling \$413,000 for FY 2030 from the City of Sioux City. The Iowa DOT has estimated the FY 2030 target for the Iowa portion of the MPO at \$268,000 leaving a CRP balance of \$281,953.

TTC recommendations

- **Sioux City Bacon Creek Channel Multi-Use Trail:** Move FY 28 (\$614,000) and FY 29 (\$173,260) funds to FY 2030 in the amount of \$787,300 and an additional \$268,953 to FY 30, equaling total program amount of \$1,056,253.
- **Gordon Dr/Lewis Blvd Multi-Use Trail:** Combine FY 28 (\$286,313) and FY 29 (\$80,787) funds to FY 28 equaling \$367,100 and award new funds in the amount of \$13,000 to FY 29.

Mark Reinders moved to approve TTC recommendations presented, seconded by Dave Dietrich. Ayes: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Mark Reinder: aye; Dave Dietrich: aye; Chris Bogenrief: aye; Mike Tokarczyk : aye; Nays: Craig Anderson: nay; Randy Meyer: nay; Mike Dailey: nay. Motion carried (5-3)

TAP – Michelle Bostinelos reported Staff received two (2) TAP (1) City of Sioux City and (1) City of Sergeant Bluff requesting totaling \$702,020 for FY 2030. The Iowa DOT has estimated the FY 2030 with FY target for the Iowa portion of the MPO at \$303,000 leaving a balance of \$552,911.

1. Award Sioux City Viaduct Connector Trail Phase 2 \$344,187 in FY 30.
2. Award Sergeant Bluff S. Lewis Blvd Trail Loop Phase 1 \$208,724 in FY 30.

Mark Reinders motioned to approve the project request for the Viaduct Connector Trail Phase 2 \$344, 187 in 2030, and 208,724 for South Lewis Boulevard Trail Loop Phase 1 in 2030 with FY 2030 balance \$552,911. The motion was seconded by Chris Bogenrief.

Ayes: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Mark Reinder: aye; Dave Dietrich: aye; Chris Bogenrief: aye; Mike Tokarczyk: aye; Randy Meyer: nay aye; Nays: Craig Anderson: nay; Mike Dailey: nay. Motion carried (6-2)

VIII. South Dakota DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Applications (Action Item) – Michelle Bostinelos reported no application have been received. (No Action Taken)

IX. FY 27 Draft Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) (Information Item)– Michelle Bostinelos presented the draft FY 27 TPWP for review by the TTC and Policy Board. She noted a public meeting will be held after which final approval will be requested at the

May MPO meeting.

X. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Modification (Information Item)

Michelle Bostinelos presented the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) modification for review.

1. Hamilton and Tri-View Intersection Improvements in Sioux City is programmed in the illustrative project section of Appendix C at a total cost of \$4.3 million in FY 27.

XI. Additional Comments:

- **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, May 7, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

XII. Adjournment: *Craig Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded Randy Meyer. Chair Ken Beaulieu adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.*

Minutes prepared by Tonia Abell. (not in attendance) on March 9, 2026.