

Minutes

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

Wednesday, September 3, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Aaron Lincoln, Chair	City of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
Tom Rohe, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, Iowa
Jason Allen	City of Sioux City, Iowa / Transit System
Jerry Buum	Union County, South Dakota
Mike Collett	City of Sioux City, Iowa / Airport
Lance Hedquist	South Sioux City, Nebraska
Bob Kratky	City of Dakota City, Nebraska
Gordon Phair	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Laura Sievers	Woodbury County, Iowa
Jill Wanderscheid	City of Sioux City, Iowa

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT/GUESTS:

Sarah Tracy	Department of Transportation – IA
Sarah Gilkerson	Department of Transportation – SD
Jarrold Walker	Department of Transportation-NE

STAFF PRESENT:

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

The TTC met on Wednesday, September 3, 2025, 1:30 p.m., via in person, at 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, and via zoom. A quorum was present. Chair Aaron Lincoln called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

- I. **Roll Call/Introductions:** Chair Aaron Lincoln opened the meeting with a roll call.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Aaron Lincoln asked if there were any additions or corrections to the regular meeting agenda of September 3, 2025.

*Tom Rohe moved to approve the agenda presented, seconded by Lance Hedquist.
Motion carried with all ayes.*

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Aaron Lincoln asked if there were any additions or corrections to the regular meeting minutes of June 25, 2025.

Lance Hedquist moved to approve of the meeting minutes presented, seconded by Gordon Phair. Motion carried with all ayes.

- 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 Amendments & Administrative Modifications (Action Item)** – Michelle Bostinelos presented the following amendments (1-3) to the FY 2026-2029 TIP for approval and administrative modifications (Table 9) as information only. Michelle noted a 30-day public comment period started on August 28, 2025 and a public input meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2025 at SIMPCO. Following the public input meeting, final approval will be requested from the TTC at the Special Meeting scheduled for October 8, 2025 and from the Policy Board on October 9, 2025.

Amendments (Action Items)

1. Sioux City Transit System Transit Maintenance Garage Facility Renovation needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$12,660,351 with \$10,128,281 Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 2026.
2. The City of Sioux City 6th Street Bridge project needs to be programmed for a total of \$3,000,000 with \$1,200,000 Federal participation (HBP) and \$300,000 State participation (SWAP-HBP) in FY 2026.
3. South Dakota DOT Northshore Drive Realignment project needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$27,000,000 with \$16,340,000 Federal participation (Congressionally delegated) in FY 2026.

Lance Hedquist moved to approve the amendments to the FY 2026-2029 TIP as presented seconded by Mike Collett. Motion carried with all ayes.

Administrative Modifications (Information Item)

1. Table 9 Nebraska Summary of Federal Aid by Program was updated.

- VII. **2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Draft Amendment** – Michelle presented the

following amendments to the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan as information only, Table 8.4 and 8.10.

1. Table 8.4 Historical and Projected Federal and State Funding needs to be updated to show NHPP-NE projected funds for 2025-2035 to \$98,000,000.

2. Table 8.10 Proposed DOT's Projects 2025-2035 needs to be updated to program NE DOT Maintenance & Preservation project at a total estimated cost of \$123,600,000 with \$98,000,000 Federal participation (NHPP-NE) and \$25,600,000 state funds.

VIII. 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Draft Chapters 6 & 8 Bess Seaman presented draft Chapter 6: Intermodal Facilities. Michelle Bostinelos presented draft Chapter 8: Financial Summary.

IX. Additional Comments:

Next Meeting

- Special Meeting: Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

- November 5, 2025
- January 7, 2026
- March 4, 2026
- May 6, 2026

X. Adjournment: *Gordon Phair moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Kratky.* Chair Aaron Lincoln adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.