

SIouxLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ASSOCIATION (SRTPA)

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

Minutes

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 1:30 p.m.

SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curt Miller, Chair	Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS)
Tom Rohe, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, Iowa
Mark Nahra	Woodbury County, Iowa
John Meis	City of Cherokee, Iowa
Sarah Tracy	Cherokee County, Iowa
Jason Vacura	City of Le Mars, Iowa

NON-MEMBERS/GUESTS:

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT)
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STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Jacob Heil, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Joseph Surdam, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Sharon Burton, Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

The Siouxland Regional Transportation Planning Association Technical Advisory Committee met on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. in the SIMPCO Meisner Conference Room, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa.

Chair Curt Miller called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

- I. **Approval of the Agenda** – Chair Miller asked if there were any additions or corrections to the May 15, 2019 regular meeting agenda.

Mark Nahra moved to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried with all ayes.

- II. **Approval of the Minutes** – Chair Miller asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

John Meis moved to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried with all ayes.

- III. **Review Monthly Correspondence** – Michelle Bostinelos reviewed current projects and staff activities outlined in the Director's Report included in the meeting packet.

- IV. **Transportation Improvement Progress Report** – The Iowa DOT and TAC members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the region.
- V. **FY 2019 – 2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments** – Michelle Bostinelos presented the following TIP amendment for recommendation of approval to the Policy Board.
1. Siouxland Regional Transit System (SRTS) General Operations needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$3,976,992 with \$539,887 in Federal participation (5311) and \$459,228 State Aid in FY 2019.

Curt Miller reported the amendment was required due to an increase in Federal participation based on final budget numbers and formula allocations.

Bostinelos asked members if there were any additional amendments or administrative modifications to the FY 2019 – 2022 TIP tables included in the meeting packet. Discussion followed. No additions were requested.

Tom Rohe moved to recommend to the Policy Board approval of the FY 2019 – 2022 Transportation Improvement Program amendment as presented, seconded by John Meis. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.

Members noted a Farm-to-Market project for Plymouth County FM-CO75(49-2022)-55-75 is listed in the FY 2019 TIP twice. Since Farm-to-Market projects are not shown in the TIP, Iowa DOT will be contacted to correct this error in TPMS reporting system. Adjustments to Cherokee County Swap Bridge projects that are incorrectly shown in FY 2019 and will correct in the FY 2020 TIP are BROS-SWAP-C018(75)-SE-18 that was reprogrammed from 2019 to a later year and BRS-SWAP-C018()-FF-18 funding was changed to Farm-to-Market.

- VI. **Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Allocation Adjustments** – Jake Heil reported the Iowa DOT has released target adjustments for the FY 2023 STBG and TAP programs. Program funds have been reduced; therefore, project allocations recommended and approved by the Policy Board in March will have to be adjusted. To maintain fiscal constraint, STBG should be reduced by \$31,000 and TAP by \$7,800. Discussion followed.

Mark Nahra moved to recommend to the Policy Board the following adjustments to FY 2023 Surface Transportation Block Grant allocations - remove the City of Le Mars project (K49 7th Avenue SE) of \$26,000 and deduct \$5,000 from the Plymouth County project (K49 C038 north 1 mile) and reduce the FY 2023 Transportation Alternative

Program allocation to the Marcus Trail project by \$7,800, seconded by Jason Vacura. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.

- VII. **FY 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Draft** – Joseph Surdam reviewed each section of the draft TIP. Discussion followed. Project errors shown in the FY 2019 TIP discussed under agenda item V should show correctly and the STBG and TAP adjustments approved under agenda item VI will be included in the final document.

Members were asked to let staff know of additional changes by June 1, 2019. A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the SIMPCO offices.

- VIII. **FY 2020 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) Final** – Jake Heil presented the final TPWP for fiscal year 2020. He reviewed each of the six planning elements, how they match with the Long Range Transportation goals and the percentage of staff time allocated to each. Discussion followed.

John Meis moved to recommend approval of the final FY 2020 Transportation Planning Work Program as presented, seconded by Mark Nahra. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.

- IX. **2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Draft Chapter 5 – 7** – Joseph Surdam provided an overview of draft chapters 5, 6 and 7.

A suggestion was made to change the phrase in Chapter 6 from “Age of Infrastructure” to “Aging infrastructure”. Expanding Highway 20 will be removed under the transportation solutions. Members discussed updating or modifying transportation threats, solutions, alternatives and expanding weather information.

Staff asked members to review the project tables shown in Chapter 7 and submit corrections by May 31, 2019. In September the complete plan will be reviewed and a public comment period will be held. Final approval of the plan is scheduled for November of 2019.

- X. **Additional Comments** – Michelle Bostinelos reported the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. Since the only agenda item will be approval of the final 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program, members chose to hold the meeting via conference call.

- XI. **Adjournment** – ***John Meis moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried with all ayes.*** Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.