

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

April 24, 2019, 1:30 p.m.  
SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dave Carney, Chair	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Tom Rohe, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, Iowa
Jill Wanderscheid	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Mike Collett	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Aaron Lincoln	City of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
Jeff Harcum	Transit / City of Sioux City, Iowa
Gordon Phair	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Robert Livermore	City of South Sioux City, Nebraska
Mark Nahra	Woodbury County, Iowa

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Dept. of Transportation
Brad Remmich ( <i>Conference Call</i> )	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation

**STAFF:**

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Curt Miller, Transit Director	SRTS / SIMPCO
Jacob Heil, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Gabriel Appiah, Regional Planner/GIS	SIMPCO
Joe Surdam, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Sharon Burton, Executive Assistant	SIMPCO

The TTC met on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, 1:30 p.m., SIMPCO, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City, Iowa. A quorum was present.

Chair Dave Carney called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

- I. **Introductions:** Chair Carney opened the meeting with introductions.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the April 24, 2019 regular meeting agenda.

***Jill Wanderscheid moved to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Mike Collett. Motion carried all ayes.***

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 6, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

***Jill Wanderscheid moved to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried all ayes.***

- 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:** Members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the MPO area.
- VI. **Resolution 2019 – 8 FY 2020 MPO Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP):** Jake Heil reported the primary update to the program since it was last presented is the apportionment of staff time between the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and Short-Range Planning. Since there will be more work on the LRTP in fiscal year 2020, allocations were adjusted by five percent with LRTP increased to 25 percent and Short-Range planning reduced to 30 percent.

Heil reported the Iowa DOT has requested staff look into options to reduce the MPO's planning carryover balance. After discussion with the TTC and Policy Board, staff sent a Request for Proposal (RFP) to MPO members for planning projects. Heil presented an outline of proposals received and discussion followed.

Jill Wanderscheid exited the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

***Mark Nahra moved to recommend to the Policy Board amending Resolution 2019-8 with selection of the Downtown One-Way Conversion Study, the Downtown Pedestrian Study and the Downtown Skywalk Study combined into one project, seconded by Mike Collett. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.***

***Mark Nahra moved to recommend to the Policy Board Resolution 2019-8 as amended, seconded by Mike Collett. A roll call vote was conducted with all ayes. Motion carried.***

Dakin Schultz left the meeting to consult with the Iowa DOT in Ames on the balance of carryover funds for this fiscal year. Schultz provided members with an estimate of additional carryover funds. Discussion followed.

***Mark Nahra moved to amend approved Resolution 2019-8 to include selection of the Hamilton Boulevard Corridor Study as a third priority based on the caveat of sufficient dollars, seconded by Mike Collett. No further discussion. A roll call vote was conducted with all ayes. Motion carried.***

- VII. **FY 2020 - 2023 Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):** Gabriel Appiah reviewed the structure of the FY 2020-2023 TIP as well as explaining federal funding authorizations linked to completion of the document.

Members were asked to review the document particularly the listing of projects and let staff know of any comments or questions. The final program will be presented to the TTC for recommendation of approval and the Policy Board for final approval in July 2019.

Jake Heil reported the Iowa DOT has released funding adjustments for the FY 2023 TAP and STBG programs. STBG funds were reduced by \$33,000 and TAP by \$18,000. Staff suggested reducing the City of Sioux City's STBG allocation for the Rebecca Street reconstruction project by \$33,000 and the cities of Sioux City and Sergeant Bluff TAP allocation for the Loess Hills Scenic Trail by \$18,000. These adjustments would then be included in the final FY 2020 – 2023 TIP presented for approval. Members agreed to adjustments suggested by staff as well as approval with the final TIP.

VIII. **FY 2020 Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) and Policy Board Meeting Dates:**

Michelle Bostinelos presented the proposed meeting dates for fiscal year 2020 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020). Generally the TTC meets the Wednesday preceding the first Thursday of odd numbered months with the exception of July and January due to holidays. Discussion followed.

Due to conflicts members chose to change the July 2019 meeting from Wednesday, July 10 to **Tuesday, July 9 at 2:00 p.m.**; and the March 2020 meeting from Wednesday, March 4 to **Tuesday, March 3.**

*Bostinelos noted a calendar event will be sent prior to meetings.*

**Tom Rohe moved to approve the FY 2020 meeting dates with changes as noted, seconded by Robert Livermore. No further discussion. Motion carried with all ayes.**

- IX. **2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Draft Chapter 1:** Jake Heil reviewed each component of Chapter 1. He discussed the project scoring criteria that will be used to assist with selection of projects and asked members to return comments as soon as possible. A set scoring system will need to be in place by August 2019, which would be prior to staff sending out project requests for inclusion into the model by September 2019.

*Members discussed ranking the goals in the plan and showing Safety as number 1. Discussion also included addressing performance measures to assure they are met.*

- X. **Additional Comments:** Michelle Bostinelos noted a public input meeting will be held on June 18, 2019 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. for the FY 2020 - 2023 TIP.

The next meeting will be held at the SIMPCO offices on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

- XI. **Adjournment:** **Robert Livermore moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried with all ayes.** Chair Carney adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m.