

Minutes

**SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)
Policy Board
Thursday, May 5, 2021, 1:30 p.m.
SIMPCO Office, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City IA & Zoom Conference Call**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ken Beaulieu, Chair	Dakota Dunes CID, SD
Richard Owens, Vice Chair	Sioux City Transit System
Carol Schuldt	South Sioux City, NE
Craig Anderson	Plymouth County, IA
Kodi Benson	City of North Sioux City, SD
Mike Dailey	Union County, SD
Keith Radig	Woodbury County, IA
Pete Groetken	City of Sioux City, IA
Julie Schoenherr	City of Sioux City, IA

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT & GUESTS:

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Dept. of Transportation
Sarah Gilkerson	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation
Lance Hedquist	City of South Sioux City, NE

STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Hannah Neely, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Alejandra Quintana, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO

The MPO Policy Board met on Thursday, May 5, 2021, 1:30 p.m., via Zoom and in person at the SIMPCO office. 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 a roll call.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the May 5, 2021, regular meeting agenda.

Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda with amendment, seconded by Mike Dailey. Motion carried all ayes.

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 4, 2021, regular meeting minutes.

Carol Schuldt moved to approve the minutes presented, seconded by Mike Dailey. Craig Anderson abstained. Motion carried.

- IV. **Review Monthly Correspondence:** Erin Berzina 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. **FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments** – Staff presented the following amendments to the FY 2021-2024 TIP for review and approval.

- a. *Stone Park Blvd. Reconstruction in Sioux City from West Clifton to Broken Kettle needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$1,610,000 with \$1,288,000 Federal participation in FY 2021.*

Michelle noted this project will roll into FY22 TIP. She also noted the TAC made no action on this item. No action taken by the Policy Board.

- b. *The following language needs to be added to the Performance Based Planning section of the TIP: Public transit projects included in the STIP align with the transit safety planning and target setting processes undertaken by the transit agencies and MPOs. While the Iowa DOT provided assistance with the development of Initial Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASPs), each large urban transit provider is responsible for implementing its PTASP, which includes transit safety targets. Investments are made in alignment with PTASPs with the intent of keeping the state's public transit operations, vehicles, and facilities safe and meeting transit safety targets. State and federal funding sources that can be used by transit agencies for operations, vehicles, and facility improvements are outlined in the funding chapter of the Transit Manager's Handbook. Individual transit agencies determine the use of these sources for capital and operating expenses based on their local needs.*

Michelle noted the TAC made a positive recommendation on this amendment.

Craig Anderson moved to approve the amendment presented, seconded by Julie Schoenherr. Motion carried all ayes.

- VII. **Iowa Pavement Management Data Collection FY 22** – Michelle Bostinelos presented the Iowa DOT pavement management data collection plan for FY22. Michelle noted the MPO has the choice to opt-in for data collection on local routes.

Michelle noted the TAC did not opt-in for data collection.

No action taken by the Policy Board.

- VIII. **FY 2025 Draft MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** – Hannah Neel presented the MPO TIP FY 2022-2025 to the board. She requested that the board review the draft and submit any necessary corrections or changes to staff on or before June 4, 2021.

- IX. **Resolution 2021-11 FY 22 MPO Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP)** – Erin Berzina and Michelle Bostinelos presented the MPO TPWP FY 2022 in conformance with Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and each state's Department of Transportation.

Julie Schoenherr moved to approve Resolution 2021-11, seconded by Keith Radig. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Richard Owens: aye; Carol Schuldt: aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Mike Dailey: aye; Keith Radig: aye; Pete Groetken: aye; Kodi Benson: aye. Motion carried (9:0).

- X. **Additional Comments** – Next meeting: Thursday, July 1, 2021; 1:30 p.m.

- XI. **Adjournment** – *Craig Anderson moved to close the meeting, seconded by Mike Dailey. Chair Beaulieu adjourned at 2:15 p.m.*