

## Minutes

**SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO)  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)  
Policy Board  
Thursday, July 1, 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
Carol Schuldt	South Sioux City, NE
Craig Anderson	Plymouth County, IA
Bill Gaukel	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA
Keith Radig	Woodbury County, IA
Pete Groetken	City of Sioux City, IA
Julie Schoenherr	City of Sioux City, IA
Larry Albenesius	City of Dakota City, NE
Kodi Benson	City of North Sioux City, SD

### **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
Eric Christensen	City of North Sioux City, SD

### **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, July 1, 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 July 1, 2021, regular meeting agenda.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda with amendment, seconded by Pete Groetken. Motion carried all ayes.*

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the May 6, 2021, regular meeting minutes.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the minutes presented, seconded by Pete Groetken. 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. **Resolution 2022-1 Approval of the FY 2022-2025 MPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)** – Hannah Neel presented the final FY 2022-2025 TIP for approval. Staff noted the TTC made a positive recommendation for approval.

SIMPCO staff noted the city of North Sioux City notified SIMPCO that the city needs to earmark a project (North Shore Drive realignment) to receive federal funding. Eric Christensen from North Sioux City reported city needs Policy Board approval to submit TIP with project included to receive Federal funding. Staff noted this change was brought forward after the TTC meeting, so the TTC has not approved this project to the TIP.

*Julie Schoenherr moved to approve the final FY 2022-2025 TIP as presented, seconded by Keith Radig. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu; aye; Carol Schuldt; aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Bill Gaukel: aye; Keith Radig: aye; Pete Groetken: aye; Julie Schoenherr: aye; Larry Albenesius: aye; Kodi Benson: aye. Motion carried 9:0.*

- VII. **Resolution 2022-2 Self Certification of the MPO Transportation Planning Process** – Michelle Bostinelos presented Resolution 2022-2 noting this resolution certifies that the planning process in the Sioux City Metro Planning Area is being carried on in conformance with all applicable Federal requirements. Staff noted the TTC made a positive recommendation for approval.

*Pete Groetken moved to approve the final FY 2022-2025 TIP as presented, seconded by Bill Gaukel. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu; aye; Carol Schuldt; aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Bill Gaukel: aye; Keith Radig: aye; Pete Groetken: aye; Julie Schoenherr: aye; Larry Albenesius: aye; Kodi Benson: aye. Motion carried 9:0.*

- VIII. **Resolution 2022-3 Project Development Sioux City Transit System** – Michelle Bostinelos presented Resolution 2022-3 noting this resolution certifies that the City of Sioux City/Transit System has fulfilled their planning obligations in the development of the TIP. She noted the TTC made a positive recommendation.

*Pete Groetken moved to approve the final FY 2022-2025 TIP as presented, seconded by Carol Schuldt. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Carol Schuldt: aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Bill Gaukel: aye; Keith Radig: aye; Pete Groetken: aye; Julie Schoenherr: aye; Larry Albenesius: aye; Kodi Benson: aye. Motion carried 9:0.*

- IX. **Resolution 2022-4 Certification of Compliance: Statement of Financial Capacity Analysis** – Michelle Bostinelos presented Resolution 2022-4 noting this resolution certifies that the MPO Transportation Improvement Program FY 2022-2025 for the Sioux City Metro Area is prepared in accordance with the requirement of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

*Julie Schoenherr moved to approve the final FY 2022-2025 TIP as presented, seconded by Pete Groetken. Roll call vote: Ken Beaulieu: aye; Carol Schuldt: aye; Craig Anderson: aye; Bill Gaukel: aye; Keith Radig: aye; Pete Groetken: aye; Julie Schoenherr: aye; Larry Albenesius: aye; Kodi Benson: aye. Motion carried 9:0.*

- X. **Additional Comments** – Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 2, 2021.

- XI. **Adjournment** – Craig Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Pete Groetken. Chair Beaulieu closed the meeting at 2:10 p.m.