

## Minutes

### SIouxLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO) METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)

#### Policy Board

Thursday, March 3, 2022, 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
Craig Anderson	Plymouth County, IA
Bill Gaukel	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA
Dan Moore	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
Wes Fopma	Congressman Feenstra

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Jasmine Lammers, Finance Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Dawn Kimmel, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO

The MPO Policy Board met on Thursday, March 3, 2022, 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 the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 3, 2022, regular meeting agenda.

*Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda with corrections, seconded by Richard Owens. Motion carried all ayes.*

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 6, 2022, regular meeting minutes.

*Richard Owens moved to approve the minutes presented, seconded by Julie Schoenherr. Motion carried all ayes.*

- 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 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment:** Michelle Bostinelos presented the following amendments to the FY 2022-2025 TIP. Michelle stated the TTC made a positive recommendation.
1. Dodge Ave Reconstruction in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$1,300,000 with \$1,040,000 Federal participation (STBG-SWAP) in FY 23
  2. South Cecelia Reconstruction in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$850,000 with \$117,000 Federal participation (STBG-SWAP) in FY 23
  3. Development of the State Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan in South Dakota needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$520,000 with \$416,000 Federal participation in FY 22
  4. Shared use path in North Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$915,000 with \$400,000 Federal participation (TAP) in FY 24
  5. Shared use path in Dakota Dunes needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$455,000 with \$341,000 Federal participation (TAP) in FY 24

*Bill Gaukel moved to approve the amendments presented, seconded by Richard Owens. Motion carried all ayes.*

- VII. **FY 2026 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Flex Allocation, Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) balances and applications (Iowa):** Staff presented the TAP Flex Target amount for FY 2026 and presented the TAP and STBG balance and applications for review and approval.

**TAP Flex:**

- TAP Flex target amount of \$95,000 needs to be allocated to STBG and/or TAP balances

*No motion – TAP Flex program is no longer available starting in FY 23. Previously allocated TAP Flex funds in both the TAP balance and STBG balance were removed from spreadsheet*

- Removing TAP Flex dollars and adjusting the targets set new balances as follows:
  - TAP: FY 23 \$214,000; FY 24 \$469,700; FY 25 \$385,500; FY 26 \$640,500
  - STBG: FY 23 \$508,015; FY 24 \$3,208,015; FY 25 \$2,614,015; FY 26 \$3,289,615

**TAP:**

- Loess Hills Scenic Trail (Sioux City and Sergeant Bluff) request of \$200,000 (Phase 2)

*Julie Schoenherr moved to approve the TTC recommendation to allocate \$200,000 in FY 26 to the Loess Hills Scenic Trail as well as program an additional \$315,000 in TAP funds to the project in FY 26 for a total of \$515,000 in FY 26, seconded by Bill Gaukel. Motion carried all ayes.*

**STBG:**

- 11<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction (Sioux City) request of \$4,659,200
- South Cecelia Street Reconstruction \$1,263,000

**Motions:**

- *Remove the Gordon Drive viaduct project from STBG program.*
- *Move the South Cecelia Street Reconstruction project from FY 26 to FY 24 for \$1,263,000 as well as move \$116,900 from FY 23 to FY 24 for the project.*
- *Moving to allocate \$4,000,000 to the 11<sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction (Sioux City) in FY 26.*

*Dan Moore moved to approve the TTC recommendations as stated above, seconded by Richard Owens. Motion carried all ayes.*

VIII. **Draft MPO Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) FY 2023:** Erin Berzina presented the draft MPO TPWP FY 2023 in conformance with Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and each state's Department of Transportation.

IX. **Additional Comments:** Next Meeting – Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

X. **Adjournment:** *Dan Moore moved to adjourn, seconded by Craig Anderson. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.*