

## Minutes

**SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO)  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)  
Transportation Technical Committee (TTC)  
Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 1:30 p.m.  
SIMPCO office, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City IA & Zoom Conference Call**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dave Carney	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Jill Wanderscheid	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Mike Collett	City of Sioux City, Iowa/Airport
Aaron Lincoln	City of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
Jeff Dooley	Dakota Dunes CID, South Dakota
Jason Allen	City of Sioux City, IA / Transit System
Lance Hedquist	City of South Sioux City, Nebraska
Ben Kusler ( <i>Substitute for Mark Nahra</i> )	Woodbury County, Iowa
Jerry Boom	Union County, South Dakota
Eric Christensen	City of North Sioux City, South Dakota
Bob Kratky	City of Dakota City, South Dakota

### **NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT/GUESTS:**

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Department of Transportation
Sarah Gilkerson	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation
Daniel Nguyen	Federal Transit Administration
Wes Fopma	Congressman Feenstra
Matt Salvatore	Sioux City Parks & Recreation

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO

The TTC met on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 1:30 p.m., via in person and zoom. A quorum was present. Chair Carney called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

- I. **Introductions:** Chair Carney opened the meeting with a roll call.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the November 2, 2022, regular meeting agenda.

*Aaron Lincoln moved to approve the agenda presented, seconded by Eric Christensen.  
Motion carried all ayes.*

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the August 31, 2022, regular meeting minutes.

*Eric Christensen moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Lance Hedquist. 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:** Members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the MPO area.
- VI. **Resolution 2023-7 MPO Targets for Safety Performance Measures:** Erin Berzina presented the TTC with the resolution 2023-7 for approval, noting this resolution sets the Safety Performance Targets for the MPO.

*Aaron Lincoln moved to approve the resolution as presented, seconded by Eric Christensen. Roll call vote: Dave Carney: aye; Jill Wanderscheid: aye; Mike Collett: aye; Aaron Lincoln: aye; Jeff Dooley: aye; Jason Allen: aye; Lance Hedquist: aye; Ben Kusler: aye; Jerry Buum: aye; Eric Christensen: aye; Bob Kratky: aye. Motion carried (11:0).*

- VII. **Revised Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP):** Erin Berzina noted this agenda item was deferred from the August 31, 2022, meeting. Staff presented the revised targets for the STBG and TAP program for approval. Erin noted the MPO can elect to allocate the balance to current programmed projects or wait to allocate the funds in May to newly programmed projects.

*STBG - Mike Collett moved to allocate \$628,000 of STBG funds to FY 23 for the Hamilton Blvd Reconstruction project, seconded by Lance Hedquist. Motion carried all ayes.*

*TAP – Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail, Loess Hills (Phase 1): Move originally programmed amount of \$429,200 TAP funds from FY 25 to FY 24. Then move \$204,600 from the Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail (Phase 2) from FY 26 to FY 24 leaving a remaining balance of \$310,400 in FY 26 for Phase 2. Aaron Lincoln moved to approve the updated targets discussed, seconded by Eric Christensen. Motion carried all ayes.*

- VIII. **Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) / Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Deadlines and Application Process:** Ryan Brauer presented the application process for the Iowa STBG/TAP and propose a deadline for the next application round. Ryan reported the FY 27 Iowa STBG and TAP application material will be distributed on January 6, 2023, with applications due back to SIMPCO on February 10, 2023.

*Aaron Lincoln moved to approve the STBG and TAP deadlines and application process presented, seconded by Eric Christensen. Motion carried all ayes.*

- IX. **Resolution 2023-8 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Amendments:** Erin Berzina presented the following amendments to the 2045 LRTP.

1. Loess Hills Connector Trail in Sergeant Bluff needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$446,500 with \$339,200 in Federal participation (TAP) in the FY2025-2035-time band. (Revision)
2. Dakota Dunes Pedestrian Bridge connecting Dakota Dunes to Sioux City over the Big Sioux River needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$2,000,000 in the FY2025 – 2035-time band. (Revision)
3. Missouri River Pedestrian Bridge connecting South Sioux City to Sioux City need to be programmed for a total estimate cost of \$11,000,000 in the FY 2025- 2035-time band. (Revision)
4. Loess Hills Connector Trail in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$654,000 with \$515,000 Federal participation (TAP) in the FY2025-2035-time band. (Revision)
5. Plywood Trail (Sioux City portion) needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$1,225,000 in the FY2025 – 2035-time band. (Revision)
6. Floyd Boulevard Connector in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$700,000 in the FY2025 – 2035-time band. (Revision)
7. Christy Road Trail Connector in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$1,929,400 with \$945,800 Federal participation (TAP) in the FY2025-2035-time band.

*Jason Allen moved to approve the resolution presented, seconded by Aaron Lincoln. Roll call vote: Dave Carney: aye; Jill Wanderscheid: aye; Mike Collett: aye; Aaron Lincoln: aye; Jeff Dooley: aye; Jason Allen: aye; Lance Hedquist: aye; Ben Kusler: aye; Eric Christensen: aye; Bob Kratky: aye. Motion carried (10:0).*

X. **Additional Comments:** Next meeting – January 4, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

XI. **Adjournment:** *Eric Christensen moved to adjourn, seconded by Jason Allen. Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.*