

Minutes

SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO) METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)

Policy Board

Thursday, January 5, 2023, 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	City of South Sioux City, NE
Craig Anderson	Plymouth County, IA
Tom Kimmel (<i>Substitute for Mike Dailey</i>)	Union County, SD
Dan Moore	City of Sioux City, IA
Bob Giese	Dakota County, NE
Kodi Benson	City of North Sioux City, SD

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT & GUESTS:

Sarah Gilkerson	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation
Wes Fopma	Congressman Feenstra
Lance Hedquist	City of South Sioux City, NE

STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO
Brian Pearson, Assistant Transit Director	SRTS/SIMPCO

The MPO Policy Board met on Thursday, January 5, 2023, 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 January 5, 2023, regular meeting agenda.

Craig Anderson moved to approve the agenda with corrections, seconded by Carol Schuldt. Motion carried all ayes.

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Beaulieu asked if there were any additions or corrections to the November 3, 2023, regular meeting minutes.

Craig Anderson moved to approve the minutes presented, seconded by Carol Schuldt. 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 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Modifications**
– Staff presented the following amendments to the FY 2023-2026 TIP for discussion and approval.

1. Hamilton Blvd Resurfacing from 36th Street to city limits in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$2,900,000 with \$1,600,000 Federal participation in FY 23.

Craig Anderson moved to approve Item VI.1, seconded by Dan Moore. Motion carried all ayes.

2. Sioux City Transit System MLK structural rehabilitation, concrete sealing, and concrete repairs needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$210,000 with \$60,000 in State participation (STA) in FY 23.
3. Sioux City Transit System MLK heat pump replacements (16 units) needs to be programmed for \$315,000 with \$252,000 in Federal participation (Section 5307) in FY 23.
4. Sioux City Transit System Low Floor Light-Duty Bus (176" wb) Unit #1348 needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$159,597 with \$135,658 in Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 23.
5. Sioux City Transit System Heavy Duty Bus (35-39ft) unit #1331 needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$516,380 with \$438,923 in Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 23.
6. Sioux City Transit System MLK boiler and chiller equipment repairs and replacement needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$162,000 with \$129,600 in Federal participation (Section 5307) in FY 23.
7. Sioux City Transit System Heavy Duty Low Floor ZEB Bus (35 – 339 ft) Unit #1332 needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$1,000,000 with \$800,000 in Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 23.
8. Sioux City Transit System Heavy Duty Low Floor ZEB Bus (35 – 339 ft) Unit #1338 needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$1,000,000 with \$800,000 in Federal participation (Section 5339) in FY 23.

Craig Anderson moved to approve Items VI.2 through VI.8, seconded by Tom Kimmel. Motion carried all ayes.

- VII. **Iowa Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) and Carbon Reduction Program Application Update** – Ryan Brauer provided an

update on the STBG, TAP, and Carbon Reduction Program application process. Ryan noted the TAP application is currently still on hold due to waiting on new guidelines from the DOT. Ryan noted the STBG applications would be sent out January 6, 2023, with a due date of February 10, 2023. Ryan also noted the Carbon Reduction Program is coming along. SIMPCO plans to administer this program when available. The application process may not be ready for distribution until after the current TIP has been approved. In that case, the money will roll over to the following fiscal year.

- VIII. **South Dakota DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Grant Deadline and Application Process** – Dawn Kimmel presented the application process for the SD DOT 5310 grant fund and proposed deadline for the application round with future consideration. Dawn noted the application round will open on January 6, 2023, with a due date of February 10, 2023.

Dan Moore moved to approve the SD DOT FTA Section 5310 application deadline and process, seconded by Carol Schuldt. Motion carried all ayes.

- IX. **MPO Officer Elections** –

- a. Current Chair: Ken Beaulieu
- b. Current Vice Chair: Richard Owens

Chair Beaulieu opens the floor for nominations.

Craig Anderson motioned to retain current chair seat as Ken Beaulieu. Motion seconded by Dan Moore. Motion carried, all ayes.

Dan Moore motioned to retain current vice chair seat as Richard Owens. Motion seconded by Tom Kimmel. Motion carried, all ayes.

- X. **Additional Comments** – Next meeting: Thursday, March 2, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

- XI. **Adjournment** – *Craig Anderson moved to adjourn, seconded by Dan Moore. Chair Beaulieu closed the meeting at 2:05 p.m.*