



MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

MPO Resolution 2026-04

- RE:** **Adoption of the FY 2027 (July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027) MPO Unified Planning Work Program**
- WHEREAS** the Region 1 Planning Council is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Rockford Metropolitan Area, and the MPO Policy Committee has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the continuing urban transportation planning process; and
- WHEREAS** the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) require a Unified Planning Work Program for the purpose of programming the Federal transportation planning funds and the connecting State & Local funds for the planning activities that are required and necessary to ensure certification of the Rockford, Illinois Transportation Management Area (TMA), and:
- WHEREAS** the FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (May 1, 2026 version) was developed, announced and distributed to the public in accordance with federal guidelines and with the MPO Public Participation Process; and
- WHEREAS** the draft document was made available for public comment between March 30, 2026 and April 30, 2026, and no comments were received from the public; and
- WHEREAS** the MPO Technical Committee has reviewed the FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (May 1, 2026 version) and recommends approval;

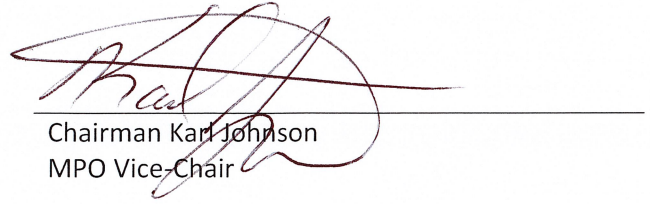
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the MPO Policy Committee:

1. Adopts the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (May 1, 2026 version);
2. Certifies that the Rockford MPO transportation planning process is in compliance with all Federal requirements and is being carried out in accordance with all applicable provisions as specified in the Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois, Department of Transportation;
3. Directs the MPO Director to submit the FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (May 1, 2026 version) and this Resolution to the State of Illinois, the FHWA and the FTA;
4. Directs R1 Executive Director to pursue and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of Illinois for the purpose of funding and conducting the activities set forth by the Unified Planning Work Program; and
5. Directs R1 Executive Director to pursue and enter into contracts with professional consultants, as needed, for the purpose of carrying out various sub-elements of work as specified in the Unified Planning Work Program.

We hereby certify the foregoing has been approved by a majority of the MPO Policy Committee Members on 1st day of May 2026.


Chairman Joseph Chiarelli
MPO Chair


Chairman Karl Johnson
MPO Vice-Chair

Number of members authorized to vote 8

Ayes 8

Nays -

Abstain -