

REGION 1 PLANNING COUNCIL

MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

MPO RESOLUTION 2022-07

RE:	Adoption of the Charter for the MPO Transportation Alternative Selection Committee
WHEREAS	Region 1 Planning Council is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Rockford Metropolitan Area, and the MPO Policy Committee has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the 3-C (continuing, cooperative, comprehensive) urban transportation planning process; and
WHEREAS	the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) currently authorizes funding to improve our nation's transportation system for highways, highway safety, public transit, alternative non-motorized forms of transportation, and freight; and
WHEREAS	the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) expands upon the scope of Metropolitan Planning Organizations to include coordination and planning efforts to be conducted in areas beyond transportation; and
WHEREAS	the Livable Communities Forum has been created by Region 1 Planning Council to address planning issues and initiatives related to transportation, environment, housing, community development, and economic development; and
WHEREAS	on May 3, 2018 by Resolution 2018-10 the MPO Policy Committee established the MPO Alterative Transportation Committee to address planning issues related to improvements to accessibility, connectivity, and ease of the multimodal mobility including active and public transportation modes throughout the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA); and
WHEREAS	the MPO Policy Committee has determined that the "Alternative Transportation Committee" should be combined with the Livable Communities Forum to addressing planning issues related to the connections between transportation, housing, community development, and economic development throughout the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA); and
WHEREAS	a separate Transportation Alternative Selection Committee shall be formed with the purpose of providing guidance for the development of the Section 5310 program and the locally programmed Transportation Alternatives Program for the Rockford Region to the MPO Technical and Policy Committees; and
WHEREAS	the functions of the Transportation Alternative Selection Committee are to be guided by a charter (Attachment A); and
WHEREAS	the MPO Technical Committee has recommended the formation of the MPO Transportation Alternatives Selection Committee and associated Charter by the MPO Policy Committee;



THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

the MPO Policy Committee hereby dissolves the MPO standing subcommittee known as the Alternative Transportation Committee; establishes a new standing subcommittee to be named the Transportation Alternative Selection Committee (in accordance with Cooperative Agreement Article 3, Section 1 and Article 7, Section 2).

Dated this 29th day of April 2022.

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Transportation Alternative Selection Committee CHARTER

Board Approved:

- 1. Name. The name of this advisory body shall be the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Alternative Selection Committee.
- 2. Purpose. The Transportation Alternative Selection Committee has been established to provide overall guidance for the development of the Section 5310 program and the locally programmed Transportation Alternatives Program for the Rockford Region.

The purpose of the Transportation Alternative Selection Committee is to:

- a. Enhance stakeholder input by serving as an advisory body representing subject-matter expertise in alternative transportation needs within the region.
- b. Ensure thoughtful involvement and input in the programming of funding sources allocated locally for alternative transportation capitol, facilities, and services.
- 3. Duties and Responsibilities. The Committee and its Members shall:
 - a. Review, recommend, and participate in methodologies for programming the Federal Highway Administration's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) funding, which is annually allocated to the Rockford Urbanized Area for public transportation.
 - b. Assist in the selection of projects to be included in the Rockford Region's Section 5310's program of projects.
 - c. Review, recommend, and participate in methodologies for the programming of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TAP) funding allocated to the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation enhancement projects.
 - d. Prioritize and recommend a slate of projects for the award of TAP funds to the MPO Technical and Policy Committees.
 - e. Advocate and communicate with the public and their networks to increase and diversify public participation.
 - f. Disclose and abstain from influencing or voting due to a conflict of interest.
 - g. Abide by applicable law governing committees of a public body.
 - h. Participate in a subject-matter forum of relevance to their knowledge, skills, background, industry, or expertise, upon invitation.
- 4. Composition. The Transportation Alternative Selection Committee membership shall be broad in its representation to include a wide range of perspectives related to alternative transportation planning.





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- a. To fulfil the duties and responsibilities of membership, representatives shall represent an agency/organization, wherein the membership belongs to the agency. It is the responsibility of the member (agency/organization) to select a representative to participate on its behalf.
- b. Members must be located within the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA).
- c. MPO Committee members or staff may nominate members. The MPO Policy Committee is responsible for approving membership.
- d. Priority will be placed on agencies serving economically disadvantaged and underserved populations.
- e. R1Planning will strive to include membership representing areas, such as, but not limited to, cycling mobility, pedestrian mobility, seniors' mobility, physical accessibility, workforce mobility, and public transportation.
- f. Members may represent multiple constituencies, industries, and subject matters.
- g. Membership terms are limited to two years. Re-appointment terms are two years.
- h. Three consecutive meeting absences may result in forfeiture of membership.
- i. Members are not compensated for serving on the committee.
- 5. **Organization.** Meetings and agendas will be facilitated by R1Planning staff. A chairperson and vice chairperson will be appointed by the MPO Policy Committee.
- 6. **Meetings.** The Transportation Alternative Selection Committee will hold meetings no less than twice annually. Meeting dates and times will be coordinated and called by R1Planning staff based on planning and programming requirements. Meetings will be scheduled by written notice with as much notice as can be reasonably be provided: generally, a minimum of two weeks notice. Meeting records shall be maintained by R1Planning staff. Meetings, including work group meetings, are subject to the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120).
- 7. Quorum. As an advisory forum, actions are recommendations which are are non-binding. Votes cast by the members present at a meeting shall constitute a forum action regardless of the number of members in attendance, as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2.01.
- 8. Administration. R1Planning staff shall supervise and coordinate the activities of the CAF.

