

## ROCKFORD METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

## **RMAP RESOLUTION 2018-10**

RE: CREATION OF THE MPO ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA), and the RMAP Policy Committee has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the continuing urban transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) authorizes funding to improve our nation's transportation system for highways, highway safety, and transit for the 5-year period of FY 2016 through FY 2020; and

WHEREAS the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) has been prepared in the interest of promoting, developing and maintaining a safe and efficient multimodal transportation system, including accessible walkways, bicycle transportation facilities, and public transportation that will meet the needs of the area's citizens, businesses, and industries through the year 2040; and

WHEREAS on July 26, 2007 by Resolution 2007-8 the RMAP Policy Committee created the Mobility Subcommittee to assess needs, develop strategies and recommend actions required to improve the mobility of public transportation dependent populations in the region, especially low income populations, senior citizens, and individuals with disabilities; and

WHEREAS on July 20, 2017 by Resolution 2017-6 the RMAP Policy Committee adopted the current Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan (July 20, 2017 version) which assesses the public transit needs and gaps for transit dependent populations and develops strategies in the interest of promoting, developing and maintaining safe, efficient and viable transportation options for individuals with disabilities, individuals with low income, and elderly individuals within the MPO metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS on September 27, 2017 by Resolution 2017-9 the RMAP Policy Committee adopted the Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan for the Rockford Metropolitan Area (September 27, 2017 version) addressing the development of a region-wide system of on-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities to connect with existing and proposed shared use path facilities; and

WHEREAS the Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan for the Rockford Metropolitan Area (September 27, 2017 version) recommended the creation of the Active Transportation Committee to advise and provide recommendations the RMAP Policy Committee and the RMAP Technical Committee on active transportation policy, planning, and implementation activities, and related bicycle and pedestrian planning initiatives; and

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WHEREAS an integrated and coordinated multimodal system connecting bicycle and pedestrian facilities to the existing public transportation services is needed to enable the efficiency and safety all users of the

transportation network, including bicyclists, pedestrians, and public transportation users; and

WHEREAS the RMAP Policy Committee has determined that a single committee of the MPO, herein named the "Alternative Transportation Committee", be established and devoted to addressing planning issues related

to improvements to accessibility, connectivity, and ease of multi-modal mobility including active and

public transportation modes throughout the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the RMAP Policy Committee hereby dissolves the MPO standing subcommittee known as the Mobility Subcommittee; establishes a new standing committee to be named the Alternative Transportation Committee (in accordance with Cooperative Agreement Article 3, Section 1 and Article 7, Section 2) that further coordinates transportation planning linkages between active and public transportation modes; and that all duties and responsibilities of the MPO Mobility Subcommittee shall be transferred to the Alternative Transportation Committee.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2018. City of Loves Park Karl Johnson, RMAP Vice-Chair Boone County Board Chairman **Boone County** Mike Chamberlain Mayor City of Belyidere Steve Johnson Mayor Village of Machesney Park sway P. M. Dough Tom McNamara Mayor City of Rockford Frank Haney Winnebago County Chairman Winnebago County Pastor Herbert Johnson, Board Chair Rockford Mass Transit District Bishi Zhi ghr Kemi Marchek Kevin Marchek

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