



## MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes –Thursday, December 13, 2018  
(Regional Design Center – 315 N. Main Street, Rockford)

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Winnebago County, Joe Vanderwerff; City of Belvidere, Mayor Mike Chamberlain; Boone County, Ken Terrinoni; City of Rockford, Todd Cagnoni; Village of Machesney Park, Tim Savage; City of Loves Park, Mayor Greg Jury; RMTD, Steve Ernst; IDOT, Kris Tobin.

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:** All present.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jon Paul Diipla, Christina Washington, Sydney Turner, Michael Dunn, Brandon Geber, Dhawal Kataria, Margaret Campbell, Julia Halsted RIPC; Michael Stubbe, RMTD.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND REPRESENTATION:** Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jury with a quorum present at 1:05 PM.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
None.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2018 MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:**  
Motion to approve the October 25, 2018 MPO Policy Committee meeting minutes was made by the City of Belvidere seconded by the Village of Machesney Park. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

4. **MPO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP):**  
Mr. Diipla provided a brief report regarding the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) which was formerly known as the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The initial public comment period regarding transportation needs related to the existing transportation network is from December 10, 2018 through February 15, 2019. Public workshops will be held at the end of January-2019 and a public survey is currently available on the RIPC website. Mr. Diipla stated that he will keep the members apprised. The MTP document is due the summer of 2020.

5. **MPO TITLE VI & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (EJ) CONSIDERATIONS:**  
Mr. Diipla provided a brief report regarding the MPO Title VI & Environmental Justice (EJ) Considerations. The Title VI & EJ document is a federally required transportation planning document and must be updated every three years. The current draft document is available on the MPO Website. The public comment period for Title VI & EJ document was held from November 15, 2018 through December 17, 2018. This document is anticipated to be adopted in February-2019.

6. **PROGRESS REPORTS:**  
2019 RIPC MPO Committee Meeting Schedule

Mr. Diipla referenced the 2019 RIPC MPO Committee members provided to members and asked that members save the dates on their calendars.

#### Administrative Modifications

Mr. Diipla provided the following Administrative Modifications:

- #1-18-2 – I-39/US-51: Lee County line to 0.4 miles N. of Baxter Rd
- #1-16-8 – IL251 – 0.2 miles South of Sandy Hollow Road to 0.2 miles South of Blackhawk Road
- #1-16-9 – IL251 – 1.5 miles S of US 20 in Rockford

#### GATA Letter to IDOT Secretary Blankenhorn

Mr. Diipla reported that the RIPC MPO has sent a letter to IDOT Secretary Randy Blankenhorn on behalf of the RIPC MPO Policy members regarding the difficulties with the GATA application process.

#### MTP Survey

Mr. Diipla referenced the MTP survey and MTP public participation workshop schedule and encouraged members to distribute the information to assist in gathering more input.

#### RMTD Comprehensive Mobility Survey

Mr. Diipla reported that the RMTD Comprehensive Mobility Survey has been out since Thanksgiving and response rates have been very productive. Mr. Geber and RMTD staff have been examining the RMTD routes and continue to work on the next steps of the RMTD Comprehensive Mobility Analysis.

#### MPO Cooperative Agreement

Mr. Diipla reported the document has been signed by all parties and is completed.

#### February 28, 2019 MPO Policy Committee Meeting

Mr. Diipla stated that he anticipates several resolutions to be considered for adoption at the February 28, 2019 MPO Policy Committee meeting.

## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

### STP-U

Mr. Dunn provided a brief update regarding the STP-U (STBG) funds and the possibility of funds being distributed directly to the MPO instead of through the State. Mayor Chamberlain suggested a letter of support from MPO members supporting the STBG funds be distributed directly to the MPO instead of the State be sent to IDOT.

Mr. Dunn announced that Mr. Belle and his wife recently had a baby girl and Mr. Belle will be out of the office for a time.

Mr. Terrinoni thanked the MPO staff regarding the assistance they provided on the Boone County Comprehensive Plan.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, City of Belvidere made a motion to adjourn, seconded by RMTD. Approved unanimously (8-0). The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 PM.