

MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes – Thursday, August 29, 2019 (Regional Design Center – 315 N. Main Street, Rockford)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Joe Vanderwerff, Winnebago County; Mayor Mike Chamberlain, City of Belvidere; Mr. Justin Krohn, Boone County; Mayor Tom McNamara, City of Rockford; Mr. Steve Thompson, City of Loves Park; Mr. Steve Ernst, RMTD; Mr. Dan Long, IDOT District #2.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Village of Machesney Park.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jon Paul Diipla, Christina Washington, Sydney Turner, Michael Dunn, Colin Belle, Brandon Geber, Margaret Campbell, Allen Mills, Chuck Klutho, Julia Halsted, Jay Fieser, Aaron Lewis, R1PC; Doug DeLille, IDOT Urban Planning & Programming; John Donovan, FHWA.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND REPRESENTATION: Meeting was called to order by Mr. Thompson with a quorum present at 12:45 PM.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 28, 2019 MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Motion to approve the February 28, 2019 MPO Policy Committee meeting minutes was made by the City of Belvidere seconded by the City of Rockford. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

4. MPO FY 2019 – FY 2022 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT - MPO RESOLUTION 2019-10:

Mr. Diipla provided a brief summary regarding MPO Resolution #2019-10 for projects requested by IDOT District #2:

- IDOT #1-19-6 FY20 Safety Improvement Intersection Traffic Signal Upgrades Alpine Road & Florida Drive and Alpine Road & Louisiana Road
- IDOT #1-19-7 FY20 Bridge Improvement District wide bridge preservation
- IDOT #1-19-8 FY20 Bridge Improvement District wide bridge preservation

A motion to approve R1PC MPO Resolution #2019-10 was made by City of Belvidere; second motion was made by Winnebago County. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

5. MPO FY 2020 – FY 2023 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) - MPO RESOLUTION 2019-11:

Mr. Diipla provided a brief update and summary regarding MPO Resolution #2019-11 for the FY2020-FY2023 Transportation Improvement Program.

A motion to approve R1PC MPO Resolution #2019-11 was made by City of Rockford; second motion was made by City of Belvidere. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

6. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (STBG) – MPO RESOLUTION 2019-12:

Mr. Diipla stated MPO Resolution #2019-12 is for STBG projects and modifications to the "Project Selection and Programming Process for MPO STBG Funds" based on recommendation from the STBG Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Diipla provided a brief summary and a brief Q&A took place amongst members.

A motion to approve R1PC MPO Resolution #2019-12 was made by City of Rockford; second motion was made by City of Belvidere. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

7. MPO TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM:

Mr. Diipla provided a brief update and summary regarding the MPO Transportation Alternatives Program as follows:

- TAP Amount (\$845,802)
- Possible Call for Projects

After a brief discussion, City of Rockford motions to move forward with TAP Call for Projects; second motion was made by Winnebago County. Motion passes unanimously.

8. MPO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE:

Mr. Diipla provided the following updates and summary on the following aspects of the MTP:

- Scenario Planning process and their elements
- Public Engagement Process round which has consisted of the online survey, presentations at various Board meetings, Pop-events and other public events

9. RMTD COMPREHENSIVE MOBILITY ANALYSIS:

Mr. Diipla provided a brief update and summary regarding the following:

- Public Participation elements
- Stakeholder input
- Ridership data

10. PROGRESS REPORTS

Administrative Modifications

Mr. Diipla provided updates on project currently authorized in Advanced Construction status:

- #2-18-2: Guardrails Various Locations
- #1-19-4: District Wide Bridge Preservation
- #1-19-5: District Wide Bridge Preservation

Mr. Diipla provided updates on projects or a portion of these projects have been converted from Advanced Construction to current status:

- #1-19-4: District Wide Bridge Preservation
- #1-19-5: District Wide Bridge Preservation
- #20-17-1: Jefferson St Bridge; Underpass directly located under Jefferson Street Vehicular Bridge
- #3-18-6: Kishwaukee Street at Illinois Railway Tracks

SPR Grants

Mr. Diipla reported that the MPO has received the following SPR Grants:

- Street Light Data
- Regional Interchange Study

MPO Certification Review

Mr. Diipla reported that the MPO Federal Certification Review is scheduled for October 23 through October 24, 2019.

ATC Vice-Chair

Mr. Diipla stated that the ATC Vice-Chair was recently vacated and University of Illinois (U of I) – Extension Office was nominated to serve as ATC Vice-Chair but U of I is not currently a formal member. Mr. Diipla asked the MPO Policy members for their feedback. MPO Policy Committee members appreciate U of I desire to serve as ATC Vice-Chair and there was a consensus amongst members to approve U of I to be included as a voting member of the MPO Alternative Transportation Committee and to serve as ATC Vice-Chair.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business, City of Rockford made a motion to adjourn, seconded by RMTD. Approved unanimously (7-0). The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 PM.