



**MPO POLICY COMMITTEE
MPO RESOLUTION 2022-08**

RE: MPO TITLE VI/ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (EJ) CONSIDERATIONS AND MPO LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP) PLAN

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 all programs and organizations receiving financial assistance from FHWA and FTA are subject to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and US DOT's implementing regulations; and

WHEREAS Executive Order 12898 "Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Population and Low-Income Populations" builds on to Title VI activities by including the consideration of the impacts to low-income populations in addition to minority populations into transportation planning and decision-making processes; and

WHEREAS the MPO assures that no person or group of persons on the basis of race, color, or national origin, including limited English proficient persons, are subjected to discrimination in the level and quality of transportation planning programs and activities provided by the MPO, whether federally funded or not; and

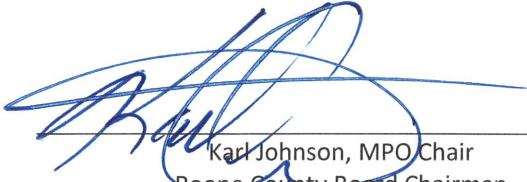
WHEREAS the MPO has developed an updated Title VI Program/ Environmental Justice (EJ) Considerations document and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan that meets the requirements of FTA Circular 4702.1B (Title VI) and FTA Circular 4703.1 (Environmental Justice); and

WHEREAS part of the MPO planning process, the MPO (1) considered a wide range of citizen, community and technical input in accordance with the adopted MPO Public Participation Plan; (2) provided opportunities for public input and comment at all Alternative Transportation Committee, Technical Committee, and Policy Committee meetings and other informational public engagement meetings; and (3) made the drafts of the updates available via the MPO website and also upon request; and

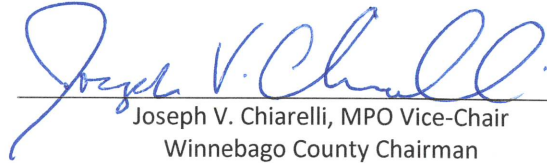
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The MPO Policy Committee hereby adopts the MPO Title VI & Environmental Justice (EJ) Considerations and MPO Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan and amends information contained in the aforementioned documents to the MPO Public Participation Plan;

Dated this 23 day of June 2022.



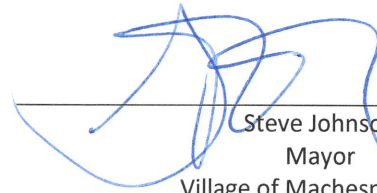
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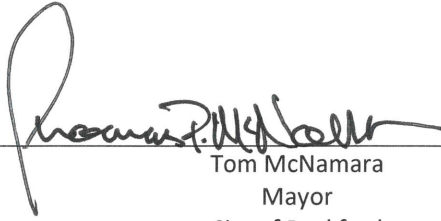
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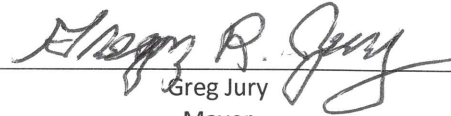
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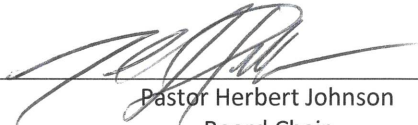
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