

Minutes of the
QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
Scott County Administrative Center, Room 605
600 W. 4th Street
Davenport, Iowa

MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard “Quijas” Brunk	Chair, Rock Island County Board
Jean Dickson	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Reggie Freeman	Mayor, City of East Moline
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Dennis Gerard	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Becky Marruffo	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation, District 6
Mike Thoms	Mayor, City of Rock Island
Berlinda Tyler-Jamison	Chair, MetroLINK Board

OTHERS PRESENT

Brian Ballard	CitiBus Operations Manager
Katy Deadmond	Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging
Doug DeLille	Illinois DOT – Springfield
Yolanda Dixie	ATU Local 312
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Mark Phipps	HR Green
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Election of Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) Chair and Vice-Chair. Per the Cooperative Transportation Planning and Programming Agreement, a Chair and Vice-Chair shall be chosen by representatives of the TPC at the first meeting in odd numbered years and shall reside from each state portion. Mayor Matson and Mayor Thoms were willing to continue in their positions. Mr. Brunch motioned to elect Mayor Matson as Chair, and it was seconded by Ms. Dickson. The motion carried. Mayor Gallagher motioned to elect Mayor Thoms as Vice-Chair, which was seconded by Mayor Freeman. The motion carried.
2. Approval of Minutes of the November 29, 2022 Transportation Policy Committee (TTC) Meeting. Mayor Matson requested a motion for approval of the November 29, 2022 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mayor Gallagher motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Dunn seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Update on I-74 Mississippi River Corridor Reconstruction. An I-74 Team Representative was unable to attend. Ms. McCullough conveyed the following provided by the team:
 - All of the concrete deck (pavement) has been removed over the river.
 - The contractor is also working on removal of concrete pavement on the structure in Bettendorf.
 - The contractor has removed the steel on the Iowa bound span from the Moline bank to over the island in the slough.
 - The contractor has removed a portion of the Illinois bound steel in the slough up to the island.
 - The contractor will continue to remove steel in areas except for the suspension spans for now.
 - The contractor will begin to prepare the suspension spans for removal soon with removal to start later this spring.
 - The removal of the towers and suspension cables will occur this summer.
 - Approximately 30% of the steel has been removed (over 4 million pounds).

- The Riverfront Trail will be closed with a detour provided at various times during demolition.
4. Consideration of Revision to FFY2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. McCullough directed the Committee to the agenda packet to four amendments submitted by the City of Bettendorf (1), Illinois Department of Transportation (1), CitiBus (1) and MetroLINK (1). Requests for amendments included: IL-23-25 a new project on I-74 over Shaefer Creek; BE-21-01 adding back funding not carried forward with the ROW/PE project that was split in FFY2020; CB-23-09 from CitiBus to add automated vehicle locator software to the TIP using \$148,238 in Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 funds; and ML-21-20 from MetroLINK to move the project from FFY2021 to FFY2023, and increase the federal share from \$1.4 million to \$1,996,901 or 100% funded. Mayor Gallagher motioned to approve these requests for amendment of the FFY2023-2026 TIP to the Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Dunn seconded the motion, and it carried. Ms. McCullough also noted administrative modifications including three from Illinois Department of Transportation involving advanced construction for IL-22-18, IL-23-05, and IL-23-19. There were two from Moline that were considered a technical correction where CRRSAA funds from COVID relief were approved in June 2021, but not edited into the TIP document. This applied to MO-23-01 and MO-23-02. Lastly, MetroLINK’s ML-23-10 was shown to note the use of transit development credits. A copy of the TIP amendments and administrative modifications approved at the meeting is attached at the end of the minutes.
 5. Consideration of Traffic Safety Performance Measures Targets. Ms. McCullough directed the Policy Committee to a draft memo on the State of Illinois and State of Iowa’s adopted safety targets. As in past years, the recommendation is to concur with the respective state targets for reducing fatalities and serious injuries, and work locally to reduce crashes that contribute to the state totals. Ms. McCullough noted that she was working with the Illinois DOT on receipt of the updated baseline five-year rolling average for non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries, but that the target was correct. The targets presented were as follows:

Iowa Statewide Safety Measures	Baseline 2017-2021 Rolling Average	Target 2019-2023 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	337.2	351.4
Fatality Rate*	1.029	1.073
Number of Serious Injuries	1,376.4	1,398.2
Serious Injury Rate*	4.193	4.264
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	130.0	134.4
Illinois Statewide Safety Measures	Baseline 2017-2021 Rolling Average	Target 2019-2023 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	1,133.0	1,088.1
Fatality Rate*	1.10	1.06
Number of Serious Injuries	10,246.4	9,316.7
Serious Injury Rate*	9.83	9.0
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	1,498.2	1,438.9

Core Highway Safety Performance Measures Based on Rolling Average Using 2017-2021 FARS and Survey Data.

*Rates are per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT).

Mr. Dunn motioned to approve concurrence with the respective states’ 2029-2023 traffic safety targets as presented. Mayor Freeman seconded the motion, and it carried.

6. Report on Carbon Reduction Program. Ms. McCullough provided an overview of the federal Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) as part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. The new program's intent is to reduce carbon dioxide (CO₂) emission from transportation sources. The program requires 20% match and will be apportioned to states to suballocate by population with 65% going to areas with populations over 5,000, and the remaining 35% to be used anywhere in the state. Each state is required to complete a Carbon Reduction Strategy by November 15, 2023. Eligible strategies include the following, which would require before/after analysis of emission reductions: traffic monitoring and control; pedestrian, bike, and non-motorized facilities; congestion management and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS); energy efficient street and traffic lights; public transit; diesel engine retrofits; advanced truck stop electrification; deployment of alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure; and reduction of freight impacts on communities and the environment. Similar to Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) or Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) funds, the MPO will receive allocations for the Iowa and Illinois Quad Cities to distribute through a locally competitive process. FFY2022 targets for the Quad Cities were \$483,798 in Iowa and \$301,248 in Illinois. Staff will be looking at the Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program as a model for evaluation of projects, and anticipate a solicitation in late summer/early fall.
7. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
8. Other Business. Mayor Matson noted items shown on the agenda as the only other business.
 - *USDOT Key Notices of Funding Opportunity* <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>
 - i. *National Culvert Removal, Replacement and Restoration Grant Program, 2/6/23*

Ms. McCullough noted that there will be funding through the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program, and that both DOTs are determining how it will roll out. In Iowa, details of the program should be out in March or April, and an application and guidance will be in late summer. She also noted that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is re-evaluating the air pollution standards for fine particulates (PM_{2.5}), and as more information on its decision to revise the primary annual PM_{2.5} standard will be shared as it is known. Ms. McCullough mentioned that the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) is expected to be announced in early 2023, and the next round will open in the spring. Bi-State staff submitted a SS4A application to develop a traffic safety action plan for the Quad Cities MPO and Muscatine and Kewanee.

9. Adjournment: Mayor Freeman motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Gallagher. The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

November 29, 2022 - Transportation Policy Committee –
FFY2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED														
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER														
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT ROUTE	PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PLAN JUST.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE*	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	NOTES	
State of Illinois														
IL-23-25	2023	I-74/I-280	Over Shaefer Creek, 0.8 mi. W of Henry Co. Line	Bridge Painting	MAINT	\$505,000	\$454,000	NHPP	\$51,000	STATE SOURCE			New Project	
City of Bettendorf														
BE-21-01	2023	Forest Grove Dr. & Middle Rd	International Dr to east of Middle Rd on Forest Grove Dr and north of Competition Dr to south of Forest Grove Dr on Middle Rd	Reconstruction	LRTP45	\$11,730,327	\$500,000	ICAAP			\$5,267,879	LOC	ROW and PE Moved to FY2020 - BE-20-02; Adding back in \$781,448 STBG from split project	
							\$5,962,448	STBG						
TRANSIT														
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	NOTES		
CitiBus-CB														
CB-23-09	2023	AVL Software	C	\$203,066	\$148,238	5339	\$0		\$54,828	LOC			New Project Amended 8/23/22; Change from 5307 to 5339 + revised total cost, 73/27 match	
MetroLINK-ML														
ML-21-20	2023	Facility Equipment - CNG	C	\$1,996,901	\$1,996,901	5307	\$0		\$0				Moved from FFY2021; Increase in Federal Share >30% from \$1.4M to \$1.9M	

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - COMMITTEE ACTION NOT REQUIRED													
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER													
Illinois Department of Transportation													
IL-22-18	2022	N 1800th Ave	At BNSF RR - DOT Crossing #065654N in Colona Township	RR Crossing Improvements: automatic flashing light signals & gates	MAINT	\$325,000	\$325,000	HSIP					Advanced Construction 1/05/23
IL-23-05	2023	ILL 5	E of 16th St to 0.3 mi E of I-74 in Moline	Resurfacing/Bridge Repair	MAINT	\$3,000,000	\$2,000,000	NHPP	\$1,000,000	STA			Advanced Construction 1/5/23
IL-23-19	2023	Various	Henry County	Bridge Deck Sealing	MAINT	\$172,000	\$138,000	HIBFP	\$34,000	STA			Advanced Construction 1/5/23
City of Moline-MO													
MO-23-01	2023	7th St	12th - 16th Avenues	Resurfacing	L RTP	\$540,000	\$336764/ \$119045	STBG/ HIP- CRRSAA	\$0		\$108,000	MFT	Technical Correction, Approved HIP-CRRSAA 6/22/21
MO-23-02	2023	Ave of the Cities	34th - 41st Streets	Resurfacing	L RTP	\$636,000	\$413564/ \$119045	STBG/ HIP- CRRSAA	\$0		\$127,200	MFT	Technical Correction, Approved HIP-CRRSAA 6/22/21
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MetroLINK-ML													
ML-23-10	2023	Preventive Maintenance Ferry	C	\$42,646	\$42,646	5307	\$0		\$0	TDC			Transit Development Credits used as match to access 100% federal share, 1/5/23