

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

Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 12:00 p.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Conference Room 320, Third Floor
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeffrey Deppe	Alderman, City of East Moline
Faith Duncan	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Dennis Gerard	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Dave Krouth	Chair, MetroLINK Board
Mike Matson	Mayor, City of Davenport
Ross Paustian	Scott County

OTHERS PRESENT

Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the August 26, 2025 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. A copy of the meeting minutes was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Vice Chair Gerard requested a motion to approve the August 26, 2025 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mayor Gallagher motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Dunn seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program & FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas reported that the City of Davenport submitted an amendment request for its Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) project DA-25-01 on West Central Park Avenue beginning at Lincoln Avenue. The amendment involves a change in scope to include an additional pavement tie-in to the project termini to 275 feet west of Fairmount Street. She noted that, after reviewing the project's original application, the proposed revision would not impact the original project rankings and would not result in another project being unfunded. Mr. Dunn motioned to approve, Mayor Gallagher seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Consideration of Resolution of Support and Concurrence on Consistency with Transportation Planning. Ms. McCullough stated that the City of Davenport is pursuing an Iowa Clean Air Attainment grant for a roundabout at 56th Street and Utica Ridge Road for a total cost of \$1,725,000. This project is not included in the 2050 LRTP as a project requiring right-of-way. However, it would be acceptable to provide a resolution indicating that the project will be included in the 2055 LRTP after consulting the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT), since the plan will be considered for approval prior to grant awards. She also mentioned that the Fiscal Constraint discussion will take place next month for the project to be included. Mr. Dunn motioned to approve the resolution as presented, Mr. Krouth seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Presentation on Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan – Chapter 6: Nonmotorized Transportation and Timeline Status Mr. Schmid presented Chapter 6: Nonmotorized Transportation from the Long Range Transportation Plan. He began by reviewing federal guidance, noting that design flexibilities are referenced from AASHTO, NACTO, ITE, and other recent publications. He also highlighted state-level guidance, referencing Illinois Public Act 095-0665 and Iowa’s Complete Streets Policy in the 2025 Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan.

The presentation included a review of nationwide pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities from 2013 to 2023, showing an overall upward trend. Mr. Schmid then outlined key regional changes since 2020, including the I-74 Bridge multiuse path (MUP), Bettendorf Middle Road extensions, the Davenport–Duck Creek extension, the Brady Street connector, Moline’s 19th Street side path and bike lane expansion, and the East Moline-Silvis Grand Illinois Trail connector.

He shared trail count data for the I-74 path in Bettendorf and Moline, as well as a trail pavement condition map categorizing segments as good, fair, poor, or very poor. Looking ahead, Mr. Schmid outlined projects on the horizon, including the I-80 MUP, Bettendorf pedestrian overpass, Davenport Goose Creek–Duck Creek connection, LeClaire MRT, Moline Morgan Park Trail & 36th Avenue extension, East Moline Bend connector, and Rock Island 31st Avenue improvements. He concluded by sharing a draft trail count map and a proposed Complete Streets network. The draft chapter is expected to be posted in late October.

5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough mentioned the items below.
 - LRTP Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/QCLRTP>
 - LRTP Draft Chapters for review: <https://bistateonline.org/transportation-and-mobility/quad-cities-metro-planning/lrtp-and-pms>
 - USDOT Competitive Grants Dashboard <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard>
 - Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program, IA Statewide TAP & Federal Recreational Trails Program - 10/1/25
 - Illinois DOT Safe Routes to School grant 10/15/25
 - Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – 10/28/25
7. Adjournment. Mayor. Gallagher motioned to adjourn. Mr. Paustian seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.