

Minutes of the

**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 12:00 p.m.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Conference Room 320, Third Floor
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, IL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard Brunk	Chair, Rock Island County Board
Jeffrey Deppe	Alderman, City of East Moline
Faith Duncan	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Jason Gordon	Mayor, City of Davenport
Ross Paustian	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Sangeetha Rayapati	Mayor, City of Moline
Hector Torres-Cacho	Iowa Department of Transportation

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
Elizabeth Tanner	Quad Cities Chamber
Dave Whitson	American Discovery (virtual)

1. Approval of Minutes of the March 24, 2026 for the Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. A copy of the meeting minutes was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Chairman Brunk requested a motion to approve the minutes from the March 24, 2026 Transportation Policy Committee meeting. Mayor Gordon motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Paustian seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Ms. Bambas reported that there were several amendments: two from Iowa DOT, three from Illinois DOT, one from East Moline, one from Bettendorf Transit, two from MetroLINK, and three from Davenport. There were also several administrative modifications listed. For the amendments, Davenport's Safe Streets for All (SS4A) award was listed as three separate projects since the funding is going to three different locations. Each project is also split by design and construction years as outlined in the notes column. Ms. Bambas also noted that the local source of "CITY" was missing from the printed packets, but will be incorporated into the TIP. Both Iowa and Illinois DOTs have new projects. Iowa DOT also has a project on U.S. 61 that had its federal share increase by over 30%. East Moline has their Bend Blvd. project decreasing in federal funds by over 30%. Bettendorf Transit's transit planning federal funds increased by over 30%. The same goes for MetroLINK's first project on the list that is for replacing a medium bus, and their other project is a pending grant application. Mayor Rayapati motioned to approve the amendments to the TIP. Mayor Gordon seconded, and the motion carried. After the motion, Illinois DOT District 2 noted that IL-26-14 needed a location correction. Ms. Duncan made a motion to correct the revisions. Mr. Paustian seconded, and the motion carried. See attached TIP amendments at the end of the minutes for reference.

3. Consideration of Letter of Support for Corn Belt Port’s Application for Centers of Excellence Domestic Maritime Workforce Training and Education Consortium Designation. Ms. McCullough reviewed the letter of support to the Committee. Mayor Gordon asked what is gained by this designation. Ms. McCullough explained that the designation would help with workforce training, and a designation might help secure funding in the future. Mayor Gordon made a motion to approve the Letter of Support. Mr. Deppe seconded, and the motion carried.
4. Concurrence with *Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan – Travel Demand Model Documentation Technical Report Addendum.* Mr. Kalakuntla presented on the travel demand model technical report. The purpose of the report is to summarize the regional travel demand model development. The report documents roadway network, socio-economic, and land use inputs. The four-step travel demand modeling process was stated, which includes trip generation, trip distribution, mode split, and traffic assignment. Each of these steps was described. Mr. Kalakuntla then explained the model validation that was validated using 2022 traffic counts. The traffic assignment validation table was shown, and maps and outputs created from the analysis were described. The 2055 alternative analysis identified future roadway scenarios and supports fiscally constrained LRTP recommendations. Ms. Rayapati motioned to approve the travel demand model technical report. Mr. Gordon seconded, and the motion carried.
5. Presentation of *Bi-State Region Transit Development Plan (TDP) Draft.* Ms. Bambas provided an overview of the TDP and explained that it provides information and guidance on future passenger transportation mobility options and human services coordination. The TDP is adopted by committees from three planning areas (Urbanized IL/IA, IL Region 2, and IA Region 9). The goals of the TDP include convenience, investment, affordability, land use, geographic coverage, and safety. Ms. Bambas then went into the survey results collected from the agencies, transportation providers, existing riders, and the community. Survey results included a need for medical trips in and outside the county, a need for public transportation to work and other meetings, and a need for trips to social services. Many of the transportation providers also indicated that federal and state regulations cause a barrier when it comes to the coordination of transportation.

Ms. Bambas then explained that the goal of the Transit Accessibility Analysis is to find areas and populations that are and are not served by existing transit options, and examine ways to increase coverage. The analysis looked at population, population density, diversity index, household median income, households below the poverty level, households with 0 vehicles, and the population of 16+ who take transit to work. Ms. Bambas explained that darker shaded areas on the map are where transit need is the highest. These areas consist of most of the downtown areas, but there are also some outer areas in Rock Island and Davenport. Three other maps were shown: service area gap analysis, average bus frequency by 5-minute walkshed, and access to residential and commercial land uses by transit. Some barriers that are discussed in the TDP include availability of funding, frequency, medical trips, shelters and access points, disconnections between destinations, and non-standard work hours. Ms. Bambas concluded by saying the TDP is available to view on the Bi-State website. Ms. Bambas requested comments on the TDP by mid-June in order for Bi-State staff to incorporate those changes into the final TDP that will be presented at the June meeting.
6. Presentation on *The American Discovery 250 Relay through the Quad Cities.* Mr. Whitson announced to the committee that the relay will begin in June and end in November. The relay will be in the Quad Cities on October 5 and 7. October 5 will be bike focused and 75 miles from West Branch to Davenport. October 7 will be 17 miles from Davenport to Colona. Sign-ups are now available, and Mr. Whitson encourages communities to share these dates and sign-up opportunities with residents. Mr. Whitson said American Discovery is in communication with some of the cities, and they are trying to coordinate events for the days in October. Mr. Torres-Cacho asked if permits have been secured for the sections where the relay will be on Iowa highways and asked if they have not been to get in contact with the Iowa DOT. Mayor Gordon asked if social media materials could be shared when the dates are closer for the word to be spread that way.

7. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
8. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted the items below and mentioned that 165 people attended the U.S. Centennial Bridge open house on May 20. Mr. Torres-Cacho mentioned to the group that the public has until June 3 to submit comments on the two alternatives. There will be an additional public open house later this summer where the alternatives will be more refined. Mayor Rayapati expressed how well the 19th to 27th Street north-south bike route is going. It was funded with the MPO Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside funds. Other items noted from the agenda:
 - *USDOT Competitive Grants Dashboard* <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard>
 - *U.S.67/Centennial Bridge Corridor Study Public Open House – 5/20/26 3:00-6:00 p.m. Holiday Inn, 226 17th Street, Rock Island, Illinois*
 - *Bridge Restriction Notice*
 - *Iowa State Recreation Trail Grant – Deadline 7/1/26*
 - *Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Cycle 17 open from 8/1/26-10/5/26*
 - *Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – 6/23/26*
9. Adjournment. Mayor Gordon motioned to adjourn. Mr. Deppe seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

May 26, 2026 - Transportation Policy Committee –
 FFY2026-2029 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	State # (IA TPMS #)	Notes
STATE OF IOWA - IA														
IA-26-13	2026	US 61	S of I-80 to N 210th St	Resurfacing	MAINT	\$2,726,871	\$2,181,497	NHPP	\$545,374	PRF			58817	New Project, Amendment Approved 5/2026
IA-28-08	2026	US 61	DME RR 0.8 mi N of I-80 (NB/SB)	Bridge Rehabilitation	MAINT	\$10,910,206	\$8,728,165	STBG	\$2,182,041	PRF	\$0		55685	Federal share increased by over 30%, Amendment Approved 5/2026
CITY OF DAVENPORT - DA														
DA-26-04	2026	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Construct a roundabout & includes sidewalks & ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$87,000	\$69,600	SS4A			\$17,400	CTY	59084	New SS4A Grant 5/2026. Design in 2026 & 2027, Construction 2028. Amendment Approved 5/2026
DA-26-05	2026	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Construction of left turn lanes northbound and southbound, sidewalks, ADA compliant crossings with pedestrian signals, improved	CMP*	\$87,000	\$69,600	SS4A			\$17,400	CTY	59085	New SS4A Grant 5/2026. Design in 2026, 2027 & 2028, Construction 2029. Amendment Approved 5/2026

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DA-26-06	2026	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	Roundabout with sidewalks and ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$87,000	\$69,600	SS4A			\$17,400	CTY	59086	New SS4A Grant 5/2026. Design in 2026 & 2027, Construction 2028. Amendment Approved 5/2026
DA-26-04	2027	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Construct a roundabout & includes sidewalks & ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$148,000	\$118,400	SS4A			\$29,600	CTY	59084	Design (2027)
DA-26-05	2027	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Construction of left turn lanes northbound and southbound, sidewalks, ADA compliant crossings with pedestrian signals, improved signage and pavement markings	CMP*	\$64,000	\$51,200	SS4A			\$12,800	CTY	59085	Design (2027)
DA-26-06	2027	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	Roundabout with sidewalks and ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$148,000	\$118,400	SS4A			\$29,600	CTY	59086	Design (2027)

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DA-26-04	2028	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Kimberly Road & Fairmount Street	Construct a roundabout & includes sidewalks & ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$2,265,000	\$1,812,000	SS4A			\$453,000	CTY	59084	Construction (2028)
DA-26-05	2028	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Construction of left turn lanes northbound and southbound, sidewalks, ADA compliant crossings with pedestrian signals, improved signage and pavement markings	CMP*	\$64,000	\$51,200	SS4A			\$12,800	CTY	59085	Design (2028)
DA-26-06	2028	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	W 65th Street & N Brady Frontage Road	Roundabout with sidewalks and ADA-compliant crossings	CMP*	\$1,765,000	\$1,412,000	SS4A			\$353,000	CTY	59086	Construction (2028)
DA-26-05	2029	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Brady Street & Veterans Memorial Parkway/65th Street	Construction of left turn lanes northbound and southbound, sidewalks, ADA compliant crossings with pedestrian signals, improved signage and pavement markings	CMP*	\$2,785,000	\$2,228,000	SS4A			\$557,000	CTY	59085	Construction (2029)

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STATE OF ILLINOIS - IL														
IL-26-13	2026	Iowa Interstate Railroad (604295P)	W 10th Ave and W 9th St in Rock Island & Milan (boarders)	Railroad crossing improvement	MAINT	\$800,000	\$800,000	RR-Protect						New Project, Amendment Approved 5/2026
IL-26-14	2026	Iowa Interstate Railroad (605924D)	South of W 5th Ave in Milan	Railroad crossing improvement	MAINT	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	RR-Protect						New Project, Amendment Approved 5/2026
IL-27-15	2027	US 6 at US 150 in Moline	US 6 at US 150 in Moline	Traffic Signal Modernization	OTHER	\$300,000	\$240,000	STP	\$60,000	STA			0-01498-2000	New Project. Amendment Approved 5/2026
CITY OF EAST MOLINE - EM														
EM-23-04	2026	Bend Blvd.	(3rd - 7th Sts., 3,000 ft. +/-)	New Construction	OTHER	\$7,759,019	\$1,000,028	RAISE			\$6,758,991	CTY		Federal Share decreased by over 30% and project moved to FFY26 from FFY27. Amendment Approved 5/2026

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BETTENDORF TRANSIT - BT												
BT-26-04	2026	Transit Planning	P	\$27,000	\$15,297	5307-FFY20 Funds	\$0		\$5,400	LOC	993	Federal share increased by over 30%, Amendment Approved 5/2026
					\$6,303	5307-FFY21 Funds						
METROLINK - ML												
ML-26-10	2026	Replace (1) Medium Duty Buses	C	\$242,644	\$194,115	5310	\$48,529	STA				Federal share increased over 30%, Amendment Approved 5/2026
ML-26-20	2026	Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Fueling System Replacement Project	C	\$7,500,000	\$6,000,000	Community Project Funding			\$1,500,000	Property tax revenue and other local sources		pending grant application, Amendment Approved 5/2026

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CITY OF DAVENPORT - DA														
DA-24-05	2026	Marquette Street/Rockingham Road	Marquette Street Between 2nd and 3rd Streets/Rockingham Road Between Sturdevant and Marquette	Raise and reconstruct Rockingham Road / 2nd Street between Sturdevant and Marquette. Raise and reconstruct 2nd St and Marquette Street intersection, with new traffic signals, up to 3rd Street	CMP	\$6,498,000	\$5,000,000	PROTECT			\$1,498,000	CTY	55829	Moved to FFY2026 from FFY2027, admin mod 4/2026
DA-24-08	2026	3rd Street & LeClaire Street/4th Street and LeClaire Street/3rd and 4th Streets & River Drive	LeClaire St from 2nd to 4th St/ 3rd St ½ block on each side of LeClaire/ 3rd & River Dr Intersection/4th & River Drive Intersection.	Raise & reconstruct approximately 800 LF of LeClaire Street and 750 LF of 3rd Street and reconfigure geometry at the intersections of River Drive & 3rd Street and River Drive & 4th Street	CMP	\$3,445,000	\$2,800,000	PROTECT			\$645,000	CTY	55833	Moved to FFY2026 from FFY2027, admin mod 4/2026
STATE OF ILLINOIS - IL														
IL-24-06	2026	I 80	Mississippi River, ILL 84 & RR	Reconstruction (PEII)	L RTP	\$16,640,000	\$7,488,000	NHPP	\$832,000	STA	\$8,320,000	Adjacent State to Illinois	2-45800-0211	Change from one funding source to another,

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IL-27-13	2027	I 80	Mississippi River, ILL 84 & RR	Reconstruction (PEII)	MAINT	\$10,000,000	\$4,500,000	NHPP	\$5,000,000	\$500,000 STA Adjacent State to Illinois			2-45800-0211	Change from one funding source to another, admin mod 4/2026
CITY OF EAST MOLINE - EM														
EM-23-01	2026	15th Ave.	(6th-13th Streets)	Reconstruction. Sidewalks. Streetscaping.	OTHER*	\$12,888,208	\$10,131,607	RAISE			\$2,756,601	CTY		Federal Share increased by less than 30% and project moved from FFY25 to FFY26. Admin Mod 4/2026
CITY OF MOLINE - MO														
MO-23-03	2026	36th Ave	7th - 13th Streets	Bike Trail	L RTP	\$1,024,215	\$259,175	TASA			\$765,040	MFT		Local share increase, admin mod 4/2026
MO-25-02	2026	Sidewalks near Lincoln-Irving School	Various sidewalks on 10th St and 16th Ave	Sidewalk Replacement	MAINT*	\$475,000	\$250,000	SRTS			\$225,000	MFT		Local share increase, admin

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MO-25-03	2026	Mississippi River to Rock River (MIRR Path)	19th/27th St	Shared-Use Path	OTHER*	\$5,092,253	\$3,000,000	ITEP	\$640,000	State of Illinois	\$1,452,253	MFT		State share added and local share increased, admin mod 4/2026
MO-26-01	2026	City-Wide	City-Wide	Systematic intersection improvements-adding retro-reflective backplates to traffic signals and pedestrian signals	CMP	\$562,308	\$515,308	HSIP			\$47,000	MFT		Local share increase, admin mod 4/2026

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BETTENDORF TRANSIT - BT												
BT-26-01	2026	Transit Operations	O	\$975,000	\$380,000 \$220,665 \$72,470	5307/ARPA 5307- FFY20 Funds 5307- FFY21 Funds	\$0		\$301,865	LOC	985	Federal Share increased less than 30%, admin mod 4/2026
BT-26-02	2026	Preventative Maintenance	C	\$125,000	\$99,594	5307- FFY20 Funds	\$0		\$25,406	LOC	987	Federal share decreased by less than 30%, admin mod 4/2026
BT-26-03	2026	ADA Paratransit	O	\$528,097	\$40,993 \$61,116	5307-FFY20 Funds 5310-FFY25 Funds	\$260,000	STA	\$165,988	LOC	3787	Federal share decreased by less than 30%, admin mod 4/2026
METROLINK - ML												
ML-24-11	2026	Replace (3) Light Duty Buses & 2 Medium Duty Buses	C	\$240,508	\$192,406	5310	\$48,102	STA				Federal share decreased by less than 30%, admin mod 4/2026.
ML-26-17	2026	OMC Equipment Modernization	C	\$6,250,000	\$5,000,000	Community Project Funding			\$1,250,000	Property tax revenue and other local sources		Local share added, admin mod 4/2026