

**Greater Madison MPO  
Technical Coordinating Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

September 28, 2022

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

2:00 p.m.

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**1. Roll Call**

**Members present:** Balke (joined during #6), Blau (for Hall), Bruun (for Stephany), Brown, Dunphy, Forlenza, Jahnke (for Semmann), Koprowski, Larson, Petykowski (for Wolfe), Paoni, Scheel, Stauske, Stouder, Tao

**Members absent:** Clark, Cruz, Hedgepeth, Hessling, Holt, Violante, Wheeler

**MPO Staff present:** Schaefer, Hoesly

**Other staff present:** Renee Callaway (Madison Traffic Engineering)

**2. Approval of July 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Bruun moved, Tao seconded, to approve the July 27, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**3. Review and Recommendation on Draft 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for the Madison Metropolitan Area and Dane County**

Schaefer reviewed the table of STBG approved and priority projects that was included in the committee packet. He stated that the Policy Board voted to approve the STBG funding scenario that favored the most smaller projects. The John Nolen Drive project funding was pushed from 2025 to 2026, and the schedule shown for the new priority projects will still need to be worked out with WisDOT. Schaefer noted that in the future the MPO would try to provide better guidance for state construction and review costs that are included in the project applications. Hall pointed out that the DeForest project was not included in the Candidate Projects list; Schaefer noted staff would update the table. Schaefer also reviewed the addition/change sheet that was included in the packet, included the selected 5310 projects.

Scheel moved, Larson seconded, to recommend approval of the Draft 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.

**4. Presentation on the City of Madison's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Application (Renee Callaway, City of Madison Traffic Engineering)**

Callaway presented an overview of the City of Madison's application for \$20 million dollars of implementation funding through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant program. Callaway noted that the application process was quite a bit of work. The City prioritized projects with a focus on equity, and low cost improvements such as speed management and bike and pedestrian improvements. The applications also included non-infrastructure projects, including training opportunities, youth education, public engagement, and traffic safety promotional campaigns. Callaway noted the City's application is available at [cityofmadison.com/visionzero](http://cityofmadison.com/visionzero).

## **5. Presentation and Discussion on Developing a Regional Safety Action Plan and Regional Implementation SS4A Grant Application**

Hoesly presented an overview of the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) federal grant program. The SS4A program will award \$5 billion over the next five years to improve roadway safety. The program will award funding for developing safety action plans and safety project implementation; to be eligible to apply for implementation funding, a local unit of government or MPO must first have an eligible safety action plan. The Policy Board directed staff to use MPO planning funds to release a RFP to hire a consultant to help the MPO develop a regional safety action plan, and put together a regional application for implementation funds for Round 2 (fall 2023) program funding. Applications for implementation funding can total between \$5-50 million, require a 20% local match, and must be completed within 5 years of grant award.

Hoesly polled attendees to get a feeling for how many communities would be interested in participating in a regional implementation grant application. Stauske noted there is beginning to be interest in Middleton in more attention on traffic safety and this might be a good starting point to making data-driven safety improvements. Schaefer noted that the county could also participate, and Dunphy noted that if there was interest by a community for a CTH in their jurisdiction to let the County know. Schaefer noted that the advantage of putting together a regional application is that smaller communities wouldn't have to come up with a minimum of \$5 million in projects in order to apply for this funding.

## **6. Committee Member Reports**

- Middleton: Stauske noted that WisDOT should soon be awarding the contract to the lowest bidder for the Pleasant View Road Project.
- Dane County: Dunphy stated that the CTH M project had a kick-off meeting for right of way acquisition, and did acquire the largest needed parcel late last year.
- Madison Engineering: Petykowski noted that the Atwood Avenue STBG project is ready for a December let; University Ave is under construction, and is going a little slower than anticipated- the pedestrian and bike bridge over University Ave will not be completed until next year, but the overall project should be completed on time (Sept 2023); John Nolen Dr. design has begun, and will have a PIM this winter; Jim Wolfe is the new City Engineer.
- WisDOT SW Region: Koprowski stated that work has begun on the US 12/18 and CTH AB interchange project - some work including stormwater is being done this year, and next year will be construction of the new diamond interchange and it should be completed by October 2023.
- Madison Planning: Stouder noted that planning staff is working on a transit oriented develop overlay zoning effort, which will cover approximately 15% of the city, and should be introduced to the council in November with final council approval in January 2023.

## **7. Staff Report**

- Update on Draft 2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): A summary of work items included in packet, includes some staff assistance for local initiatives such as Sun Prairie's active transportation plan; please let Schaefer know over the next month or so if your community might need any assistance; Policy Board is scheduled to approve the release of the draft for public comment at their meeting next week.

- Regional Electric Vehicle (EV) Strategy Study: A workgroup of public and private sector staff including utilities, non-profits, and local agencies will begin meeting next month to develop a Regional EV Infrastructure Strategy.
- MPO Policy Board Vacancies: There are currently two City of Madison appointee positions on the Policy Board that are vacant.
- Update on Scheduling Meetings with Local Staff: Will begin scheduling one-on-one meetings with local staff later this year.
- Update on Metro Onboard Passenger Survey: Currently working on revising the consultant scope, and should be conducted next spring; required for Title VI analysis.
- MPO/CARPC Open House: October 20<sup>th</sup>, 4-6PM at 100 State St, Suite 400, please come join us!

#### **8. Next Meeting Dates**

- Wednesday, October 26th, 2022 (Likely To Be Cancelled)
- Wednesday, November 16th, 2022

#### **9. Adjournment**

Dunphy moved, Blau seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm.