

**Greater Madison Metropolitan Planning Organization  
(MPO) August 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

[Virtual Meeting hosted via Zoom](#)

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Opitz called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

**1. Roll Call and Introductions**

**Members present:** Richelle Andrae, Phil Caravello, Paul Esser (arrived during Item 5), Steve Flottmeyer, Grant Foster, Gary Halverson, Barbara Harrington-McKinney, Tom Lynch, Jerry Mandli, Mark Opitz, Nasra Wehelie (arrived during Item 5), Kristi Williams, Doug Wood

**Members absent:** Margaret Bergamini

**MPO staff present:** Bill Schaefer, Colleen Hoesly

**Others present in an official capacity:** Diane Paoni (WisDOT), Forbes McIntosh (DCCVA)

**2. Approval of June 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Wood moved, Halverson seconded, to approve June 1, 2022 meeting minutes. Williams abstained. Motion carried.

**3. Communications**

- Transmittal letter from FHWA along with the MPO Certification Review Final Report
- Email to local officials seeking contributions to MPO local match funding for 2023 budget

**4. Public Comment (for items *not* on MPO Agenda)**

None

**5. Review of Scoring and Potential Approval of Proposed Funding for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Urban Program Projects with FFY 2023-2026 Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill Funding**

Schaefer explained that the MPO will receive close to \$8.5 million in additional STBG funding for FFY 2023-2026, and received an unprecedented amount of project applications. Projects were scored and ranked, and staff has developed three possible funding scenarios for the board to consider, taking into consideration the new project scores, requests for additional funding for projects already approved, the policy goal to fund some small projects, and the schedule for the projects. Schaefer referenced the table provided showing projects the MPO has funded since 2015 when the policy related to small projects was adopted. Schaefer provided an overview of the project scoring, noting that many projects had similar scores.

Schaefer reviewed the three project funding scenarios. All scenarios include funding for the City of Sun Prairie's N. Thompson Road/St. Albert the Great Dr. and N. Bird Street projects and provide additional funding for the CTH M and John Nolen Drive projects. The N. Thompson/St. Albert the Great Dr. project is the only one that can use FFY '23 funding and is relatively high scoring. N. Bird St. is a relatively high scoring small project. CTH M and John Nolen are important regional projects. Scenarios 1 and 2 would also fund S. Syene Road while scenario 1 would fund Windsor Rd. as well. Scenario 3 would fund more small projects, including Fitchburg bus shelters, Nichols Ave, Windsor Rd, and S. Fourth St in Stoughton, however it would not fund S. Syene Road.

Wood, Caravello, and Williams spoke in favor of scenario 3 since that one funded more small projects per the MPO's policy.

Esser moved, Wood seconded, to approve STBG Urban funding for the projects and at the amounts listed in Scenario 3 of the Project Funding Scenarios document, dated 7/26/22 that was included in the meeting packet. Motion carried.

#### **6. MPO 2022 Resolution No. 7 Approving Amendment #6 to the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

Schaefer briefly review the proposed additions and changes to the 2022-2026 TIP:

- Fitchburg Bike Share Expansion, Purchase and install e-bikes and stations (NEW, Purchase in '23)
- Madison Bike Share Expansion, Purchase and install e-bikes and stations (NEW, Purchase in '23)
- Madison SRTS Plan, Prepare city-wide plan (NEW, Implement in '23)
- Yahara River Trail Extension Planning, Prepare feasibility study (NEW, Implement in '23)
- Sun Prairie Vision Zero Action Plan, Prepare city-wide plan (NEW, Implement in '23)
- Commercial Ave. Path, Reconstruct and widen path (Move from '22 to '23)
- Interstate 39/90 (Cottage Grove Rd./CTH BB and Hanson Rd. Bridges), Preventive Maintenance (NEW, Const. in '28)
- S. Syene Rd. (McCoy Rd. Intersection), Reconfigure and reconstruct intersection (NEW, Const. in '24)
- Atwood Ave. (Fair Oaks Rd. to Cottage Grove Rd.), Reconstruction (Move funding to '22; const. still in '23)

Caravallo moved, Harrington-McKinney seconded, to approve Amendment #6 to the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program. Motion carried.

#### **7. Approval to Release Draft 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County for Public Review and Comment**

Halverson moved, Caravello seconded, to approve release the Draft 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program for public review and comment. Motion carried.

#### **8. Election of Officers**

Esser moved, Halverson seconded, to nominate Opitz to remain as Chair. Motion carried. Unanimous vote to elect Opitz as Chair.

Esser moved, Williams seconded, to nominate Wood to remain as Vice-Chair. Motion carried. Unanimous vote to elect Wood as Vice-Chair.

#### **9. Announcements and Schedule of Future Meetings**

The next meeting is September 7th, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

#### **10. Adjournment**

Esser moved, Williams seconded, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 PM.