

Minutes of the  
DAVENPORT-ROCK ISLAND-MOLINE, IOWA-ILLINOIS  
URBANIZED AREA  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 24, 2009, 12:00 Noon  
Third Floor Conference Room 320  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, Illinois

Policy Members Present

Ray Ambrose	Davenport City Council
Ian Frink	Davenport City Council
Phil Fuhr	Rock Island County Board
Lyle Lohse	Mayor of Silvis
Larry Lorensen	Metro
Ross Monk	Illinois Department of Transportation-Dixon
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation-Davenport
Tom Sunderbruch	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Don Welvaert	City of Moline

Others Present

Jon Burgstrum	Scott County
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Chelsey Waterman	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the February 24, 2009 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. The meeting began without a quorum. Mr. Sunderbruch asked for approval of the February 24, 2009 Transportation Policy Committee minutes. Mr. Ambrose motioned to approve the minutes as written. Mayor Welvaert seconded the motion and the motion carried, pending a quorum. During the meeting, a quorum was attained. Mr. Ambrose motioned to ratify actions of the Policy Committee with a full quorum and Mr. Frink seconded the motion. All actions at the meeting were enacted or ratified with an official quorum.

2. Consideration of Regional Transit Development Plan (TDP). Ms. Waterman noted to the Policy Committee that changes to the draft 2009 Transit Development Plan (TDP) since the original draft was presented in January. Changes included the addition of the transit stimulus projects which were approved at the February Policy Committee meeting. It was reiterated that there is an expectation the TDP is an evolving document as human services coordination relationships are established and a greater understanding of mobility needs and transportation services are uncovered and coordinated. Each year these relationships have evolved and initial levels of coordination are beginning or underway. Following this summary, Mayor Welvaert motioned to approve the Bi-State Region Transit Development Plan update of 2009. The motion was seconded by Mayor Lohse and it carried.

3. Consideration of Job Access & Reverse Commute (JARC) and new Freedom (NF) Project Submittals. Ms. Waterman reported that a single project was received for consideration of the New Freedom funds. No projects were received for consideration of the remaining FY09 JARC funds. A NF application was received from ITN-Quad Cities through the direct recipient, Metro who will

sponsor and administer the project. ITN-Quad Cities is a senior ride program and appeared to meet eligibility requirements of the program; however, Federal Transit Administration will make a final determination. ITN-Quad Cities has requested \$232,972 in NF funds. The monies requested amount to FY07, 08 and 09 NF funds, based on FY09 estimates of the FY08 allocation. Mr. Lorensen indicated representatives from ITN-Quad Cities has made a presentation to the Metro Board on the project. The project is seen as complimentary service to Metro and other fixed route transit service in the Quad Cities. The project will serve the metropolitan area. Mr. Lorensen motioned to approve the project and Mayor Lohse seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Consideration of Amendments and Administrative Modifications to the FFY09 Annual Element of the FFY09-11 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Ms. Waterman directed the Policy Committee to a yellow-colored, revised handout of proposed TIP amendments and administrative modifications. The two amendments were for American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) stimulus projects in Silvis and Coal Valley. The projects included:

- SL-09-01 19<sup>th</sup> Street at 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Intersection Improvement, Total Cost of \$700,000 with Federal stimulus (ARRA) funds of \$351,636 and local share of \$348,364; and
- CV-09-01 1<sup>st</sup> Street (15<sup>th</sup> Avenue to U.S.6), Resurfacing, Total Cost of \$200,000 with Federal stimulus (ARRA) funds of \$174,439 and local share of \$25,561.

Mayor Welvaert motioned to approve the amendments to the FFY09 TIP Annual Element and Mr. Ambrose seconded the motion. The motion carried. Administrative modifications were provided for reference and included in the revised handout. They are attached to the minutes for reference.

Ms. McCullough provided clarification on what some have referred to as two waves of stimulus funds. Of the total amount suballocated to each state for highway stimulus funds, the first half or 50% coming to the state DOTs is required to be obligated in 120 days. This is considered the first wave of funds. Monies going to MPOs is required to be obligated within one year of the ARRA or March 2010. This is the second wave. In Illinois, the ARRA funds under transportation enhancements will be derived from project applications already in the pipeline and will require an 80/20 match. This will help spread the dollars to more projects. In Iowa, transportation enhancements were handed in the suballocations to the Iowa Quad Cities area.

5. Presentation on FY10 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). A draft FY10 TPWP was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Ms. McCullough provided a brief overview. Annually the TPWP document for the Quad Cities metropolitan planning area is revised to reflect Bi-State transportation staff activities for the coming fiscal year. The FY10 TPWP is developed to aid cooperative, continuing and comprehensive transportation planning. The document also outlines the history of organizations playing a role in transportation planning.

In the metropolitan area, major transportation issues include:

- River Crossing Capacity Improvements
- Air Quality, Congestion Management, and Intelligent Transportation System Activities
- Passenger Rail and Intermodal Connections
- Long Range Plan Planning and Implementation
- Coordination with Human Service & Specialized Transportation Providers
- Integration of Safety and Security

Accomplishments from FY09 include:

- Update Transit Development Plan (TDP) and process competitive selection process for urban JARC & New Freedom funds
- Update FFY09-12 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs)
- Provide Grant Assistance- ICAAP, Rec.Trails, RISE, SRTS, Scenic Byways, TCSP and ARRA transportation programming
- Hold Complete Streets Workshop & TMIP Peer Review
- Attend IA Trails Summit, Moving IA Forward, IA & IL Safety Summits conferences
- Provide technical assistance- model scenarios, traffic studies, accident analysis, ITS coordination, trail planning, RFPs, etc.
- Served Technical and Policy Committees, Bi-State Regional Trail Committee, Air Quality Task Force, CARS & joint ITS/Safety group,
- Implementation of Certification Review recommendations
- Complete RPA9 LRP and begin urban LRP update
- Completed SAFETEA-LU Compliance Report as LRP Addendum

A draft work program budget was outlined in the slide presentation. There were no comments by the Policy Committee on the FY10 TPWP on the activities. Approval of planning work activities and allocation of funding to work program categories are reviewed by the Policy Committee. Resolutions authorizing filing federal grant applications and execution of grant contracts are approved by Bi-State Regional Commission.

6. Status of 2040 Long Range Plan (LRP) Update and Consideration of Public Involvement Outline.

A public involvement outline was included in members' agenda packets for review and comment. The information has been shared with the Policy Committee and the Regional Transportation Advisory Group to afford an opportunity to the Policy Committee and public to comment on how input will be solicited as part of the plan development. No comments were received from committee members or the public. The Policy Committee concurred with the public involvement outline.

Beyond the public involvement, staff will be working on the base year socio-economic and forecast year data, network data and other model information. Roadway project development is anticipated in Spring/Summer 2010 with a final draft of the entire plan in later 2010. A travel demand modeling workshop for planners and technical staff is planned for May 6, 2009 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm.

7. Public Comments. Mayor Welvaert summarized a recent Chamber trip to Springfield. He noted there is a new Secretary of Transportation at the ILDOT, Gary Hannig. In a meeting with Mr. Hannig, he noted strong support for passenger rail and efforts toward the Wyanet rail connection to further the Quad Cities-Chicago route. Mayor Welvaert also noted the intermodal passenger hub at Centre Station and efforts to ready the facility for passenger rail service as an Amtrak station.

8. Other Business. Mr. Sunderbruch asked the Policy Committee to review a request from Scott County related to the Federal Functional Classification (FFC) of a segment of Y-48. Due to requirements of the ARRA, there is a segment of Y-48 shown as a minor collector outside the urbanized area that is required to be reclassified as a major collector to be eligible for stimulus funds. Mr. Burgstrum, Scott County Engineer, distributed a letter of request and accompanying map highlighting the segment requiring a revision. There is a specific reference in ARRA that stimulus funds are not to be used on rural minor collectors. Because there are caps set on the mileage in each classification category statewide as part of the National Highway System, Scott County must trade

mileage from one roadway to another. The County has proposed to remove the major collector designation on 4 miles of Coonhunters Road and apply this mileage to Y-48. The action requires approval by the Policy Committee and Scott County. The Scott County Board approved the action and is requesting approval by the Policy Committee. Mr. Ambrose motioned to approve the FFC revision as requested. Mr. Frink seconded the motion and it carried.

9. Adjournment. Hearing no other business, Mr. Sunderbruch requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Welvaert motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ambrose. The meeting adjourned at 12:52 p.m.

**ROADWAY**

**TIP AMENDMENTS - 03/24/2009 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Approved**

TIP Project #	Project Route	Project Location	Project Description	Total Estimated Cost	Federal Share	Federal Source	State Share	State Source	Local Share	Local Source	Notes
<b>CITY OF SILVIS - SI</b>											
SL-09-01	19th Street	At 17th Avenue	Intersection Improvement	\$700,000	\$351,636	STIM	\$0		\$348,364	CTY	
<b>VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY - CV</b>											
CV-09-01	1st Street	15th Avenue to U.S. 6	Resurfacing	\$200,000	\$174,439	STIM	\$0		\$25,561	CTY	
		<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$900,000</b>	<b>\$526,075</b>		<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$373,925</b>		

**TIP ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - Processed 03/17/2009 - NO COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED**

TIP Project	Project Route	Project Location	Project Description	Total	Federal Share	Federal Source	State Share	State Source	Local Share	Local Source	Notes
<b>CITY OF ROCK ISLAND - RI</b>											
RI-09-06	30th Street	31st to Blackhawk Road	Resurfacing	\$2,250,000	\$877,027	STIM	\$0		\$1,372,973	CTY	
<b>CITY OF MOLINE - MO</b>											
MO-09-04	5th Avenue	14th Street - 16th Street	Reconstruction	\$2,100,000	\$967,284	STIM	\$0		\$1,132,716	CTY	
<b>CITY OF EAST MOLINE - EM</b>											
EM-09-01	12th Avenue	7th Street to 13th Street	Patching & Resurfacing	\$514,970	\$473,631	STIM	\$0		\$41,339	CTY	
<b>ROCK ISLAND COUNTY</b>											
RC-09-02	221st Street N	38th Ave N - 71st Ave N	Resurfacing & guardrail replacement, culvert replacement	\$1,100,000	\$555,482	STIM-Urb; STIM-RUR	\$0		\$544,518	CNTY	Seeking other fed.source
		<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$4,864,970</b>	<b>\$2,873,424</b>		<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$2,547,028</b>		

