

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

Tuesday, January 22, 2013, 12:00 P.M.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Third Floor Conference Room 302
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Ambrose	Davenport City Council
Bill Cusack	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Larry Lorensen	Chair, MetroLINK
Gene Meeker	Davenport City Council
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation – Davenport
John Thodos	Mayor, City of East Moline
Kris Toban	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon
Don Welvaert	Mayor, City of Moline
Bob Wilson	Mayor, City of Port Byron (Small Community Representative – Illinois)

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike Clarke	Director, Davenport Public Works
William Fox	Mayor, City of Silvis (Small Community Representative Alternate – Illinois)
Craig Harper	Bi-State Regional Commission
Mark E. Lohman	Executive Director, RI TCC PJTP
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Donnie Miller	Bicycle Safety Consultant
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Geoff Olson	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 18, 2012 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Welvaert chaired the meeting and asked for approval of the December 18, 2012 Transportation Policy Committee minutes. Mayor Gallagher moved that the minutes be approved as written. Mr. Lorensen seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved as written.
2. Election of Transportation Policy Committee Chair and Vice-Chair. Mayor Welvaert explained to the committee that on every odd year a new committee chair and vice-chair are elected by the committee. He also explained that if the previous chairmen represented either an Iowa or Illinois entity, then the following election would have the chair be from the other state. Mayor Welvaert then nominated Mayor Gallagher as Chair and Mayor Thodos as Vice-Chair. Mr. Ambrose seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with one abstention.

3. Consideration of the Surface Transportation Program (STP) Evaluation Process Candidate Projects for Project Selection and Consideration of Approved Projects for Amendment to the FFY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Lorenson motioned to remove Item 3 of the agenda from the table. Mayor Thodos seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Ambrose commented that Davenport wished to amend the STP funding recommended by the Transportation Technical Committee. Mr. Ambrose deferred to Mr. Clarke for an explanation of the request from Davenport. Mr. Clarke expressed that Davenport would like to fund the 76th Street project, but at a lesser amount to allow for improvements at the Kimberly Road – Forest Road intersection to be funded. The request was outlined in a memorandum included in the agenda packet for this meeting. Ms. McCullough explained the modified recommendation reflected in the table below, and provided in committee members’ agenda packets.

ID No.	Jurisdiction	Project Location	Recommended Fiscal Year	Total Cost	Federal Share
IOWA QUADCITIES					
IA - 02	Bettendorf	Forest Grove Drive (Eagle Ridge Road to International Drive)	FFY 2014	\$9,750,000	\$7,800,000
IA - 03	Davenport	76th Street (E. of Hancock Ct. to Division St)	FFY 2017	\$4,000,000	\$2,160,000
IA - 01	Iowa DOT	US Hwy 67 (Valley Dr. in Riverdale to May St. in LeClaire)	FFY 2014	\$1,000,000	\$800,000
IA - 04	Davenport	(US 6) Kimberly Road Intersection with Forest Road	FFY 2013	\$1,300,000	\$1,040,000
		Total		\$22,300,000	\$11,800,000
ILLINOIS QUADCITIES					
IL - 11	Moline	16th Street (52nd Avenue to John Deere Road)	FFY 2016	\$673,423	\$538,739
IL - 12	Moline	River Drive (23rd Street to 34th Street)	FFY 2016	\$936,937	\$749,550
IL - 15	Rock Island	38th Street (31st Avenue to Black Hawk Road (IL5))	FFY 2017	\$1,639,640	\$1,311,712
		Total		\$24,968,561	\$2,600,000

Mayor Thodos motioned to approve the projects as presented to be amended into the current and future Transportation Improvement Programs appropriately in the recommended federal fiscal years. Mr. Ambrose seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with one abstention.

4. Consideration of Revisions to the FFY2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Melton presented two additional projects for consideration by the committee.

IL-14-12 – Had a significant change in scope from Engineering to Demolition and was advanced from FFY2014 to FFY2013. Funding levels remained the same. Total Cost: \$1,333,000; Federal Share: 1,200,000; Federal Source: National High Priority Projects (NHPP); State Share: \$133,000.

CB-13-09 – Received less federal funding than expected (a change greater than 30%). The total estimated cost of the project was adjusted to reflect available funding. The revised total estimated cost is \$150,000 with Federal Funding of \$120,000 from Section 5307, and a Local Share of \$30,000.

A question was raised about the funding source and scope change for IL-14-12. Ms. Tobin clarified the details of the project to the satisfaction of the committee.

Mr. Ambrose motioned to approve the project amendments as presented. Mr. Lorensen seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Presentation on Title VI Program Policy and Assurances. Ms. McCullough began the presentation by briefly outlining the organizational hierarchy of Bi-State Regional Commission as an MPO. She went on to present the language used in Title VI as well as executive orders with additional nondiscrimination requirements, specifically: EO 12898, EO 13166, and EO 12250. The purpose of drafting a Title VI Program Policy and Assurances document was to formalize and consolidate existing policies on non-discrimination by the Commission and as applied to the transportation planning process. The document identifies staff responsible for Title VI oversight, outlines responsibilities and related documents, and includes procedures to address non-discrimination complaints. Ms. McCullough went on to note current staff responsible for Title VI oversight. She then described a number of non-discrimination policies in the planning process which included: cultivating an open and inclusive planning process, considering low income and minorities in outreach efforts, and eliminating barriers to participation such as location, time, format language, and access.
6. Public Comments. No public comments were made.
7. Other Business. Mr. Cusack introduced himself to the committee and noted that he would be replacing Mr. Larry Minard on the committee. This prompted introductions from the rest of the committee.
8. Adjournment. Mr. Ambrose motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Welvaert seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:20 p.m.