

Minutes of the

QUAD CITIES, IA/IL METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 12:00 P.M.

Bi-State Regional Commission
Third Floor Conference Room 320
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Ambrose	Alderman, City of Davenport
Duane Dawson	Mayor, City of Milan
Bill Gluba	Mayor, City of Davenport
Jeff Justin	Alderman, City of Davenport
Larry Lorensen	Board Chair, MetroLINK
Scott Raes	Mayor, City of Moline
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation – District 6
Kris Tobin	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon
John Thodos	Mayor, City of East Moline (Vice Chair)
Betsy Tracy	Federal Highway Administration – Illinois Division

OTHERS PRESENT

Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon
Tom Kelso	Illinois Department of Transportation – Springfield
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Brandon Melton	Bi-State Regional Commission
Becky Passman	Bi-State Regional Commission
Lalit Patel	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug Roelfs	General Manager, Davenport CitiBus
Dave Smith	Interim, Davenport CitiBus
Steve Wilkins	Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon

1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 25, 2013 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Gluba called the meeting to order and requested a motion for approval of the June 25, 2013 minutes of the Transportation Policy Committee. Mr. Ambrose motioned to approve said minutes as written. Mr. Justin seconded the motion which carried. Mayor Gluba turned over chairing the meeting to Mayor Thodos upon his arrival.
2. Concurrence with Suballocations for Federal Transit Administration 5310 and 5339 Funds and Consideration of Resolutions for Designated Recipient Supplemental Agreements for the Distributions of FTA 5307 and 5310 Funds. Ms. McCullough presented changes to FTA funding programs as part of the MAP-21 transportation act. She outlined how programs were effected, including the Urbanized Area Formula (5307) and Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (5310) programs and noted the addition of the Bus and Bus Facility (5339) program. Ms. McCullough summarized eligible activities for each funding source. She went on to briefly explain how FTA funding is distributed and that Bi-State Regional Commission is the designated recipient for 5307 and 5310 funds, and the three urban transit systems would be the direct recipients of these funds. Under the regulations for 5339, the designated recipient, Bi-State Regional Commission, is automatically the designated recipient for 5339 funds. Ms. McCullough presented the funding distribution as shown in the table below. Mayor Gluba motioned that the suballocation amounts be approved as presented for 5310 and 5339 and concur with 5307 amount approved as part of the Transportation Improvement Program approval process. Mr. Lorensen seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Following that, Mr. Lorensen made a motion to authorize the resolutions for 5307 and 5310 acknowledging the suballocations for

these funds and identifying Bettendorf Transit, Davenport CitiBus and MetroLINK as direct recipients with the full assurances and responsibilities set by FTA as part of the grant processes. Mr. Justin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Ms. McCullough indicated for 5339 Bi-State Regional Commission would be the grantee and this would be taken to the Bi-State Regional Commission for approval.

System Suballocation	5307- Urbanized Area Formula Funds	5310- Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities	5339- Bus and Bus Facilities
Bettendorf Transit	\$525,636	\$33,069	\$51,505
Davenport CitiBus	\$1,100,734	\$99,240	\$132,848
MetroLINK	\$2,309,465	\$126,984	\$255,009
TOTAL	\$3,935,835	\$259,293	\$439,362
	By Formula	By Population	By Formula

3. Consideration of Revisions to the Goose Creek Trail Scope of Work, and to FFY 2013-2016 and FFY 2014-2017 Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs). Ms. McCullough outlined a request from the City of Davenport to reduce the scope of a project for Goose Creek Trail. The length of the trail has been significantly reduced and the total estimated cost has been adjusted to capture only the preliminary engineering costs rather than the entirety of the project. Mr. Ambrose motioned to accept the proposed change in project scope. Mayor Gluba seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Melton went on to present to the committee a number of amendments and administrative modifications as shown in the attached tables. Mr. Ambrose motioned to approve the revisions to the FFY 2013-16 TIP as presented. Ms. Tobin seconded and the motion carried. Mayor Dawson motioned to approve the revisions to the FFY 2014-17 TIP as presented. Mr. Ambrose seconded the motion which carried.

4. Presentation on Spring 2013 Travel Time Analysis Results. Mr. Patel presented information on the congestion management process and explained that one part of said process is system monitoring. One tool used to monitor the transportation system is surveying travel time for selected corridors. The data for the survey is collected using the floating car technique and utilizes a GPS unit and data logging device to capture the average speed of the corridors. The Transportation Technical Committee determines the corridors that are surveyed. The average speed of the corridors over the nine round-trip surveys is then compared to the posted speed limit to determine if any reoccurring congestion exists. The results for the Spring 2013 travel time survey show that all of the corridors monitored had average speeds very near or above the posted speed limit. These results indicate that the Quad Cities metropolitan area does not currently have any reoccurring congestion issues within its more congested corridors. The monitoring system will continue to be used to ensure any congestion issues that may arise will be addressed.
5. Public Comments. No public comments were heard.
6. Other Business. Ms. McCullough provided a status update on the Quad Cities household travel survey. She reported that the pilot study had been completed and the contractor is currently analyzing the data gathered and

will provide a memorandum of the results. The mid-September launch will be preceded by a media campaign to educate the public on the importance of the survey and reassure its legitimacy.

Ms. McCullough reported that Bi-State had received a letter in response to information requested regarding pavement management data collection for Illinois Department of Transportation. The letter, included in the agenda packet, stated that a separate request for proposals process would need to be followed in order to contract with a company to provide the services required for said data collection. The Transportation Policy Committee would have to approve the use of STP funds to conduct the pavement management data collection and has about a year to make a final determination in how they would like to proceed.

Ms. McCullough noted that the deadline for project submissions for the Transportation Alternatives Program was past. Bi-State had received one project each from both Iowa and Illinois Quad Cities. Further discussion is to be expected on the projects after review from the Transportation Technical Committee.

Ms. McCullough noted that the next Transportation Policy Committee meeting will be held on September 24th, 2013.

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 12:40 p.m.