

Minutes of the
QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 26, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.
Rock Island County Board Chambers
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois
Mayor Mike Matson, MPO Chair

COVID-19 recommendations continue to encourage social distancing and wearing of face coverings for those unvaccinated persons. In counties with substantial or high virus transmission, CDC recommends universal masking in public indoor spaces. The Policy Committee was held in-person this month. Wearing of facial coverings in public spaces was required.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ray Allen	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Ray Ambrose	Alderman, City of Davenport
Richard “Quijas” Brunk	Chair, Rock Island County
Rick Dunn	Alderman, City of Davenport
Reggie Freeman	Mayor, City of East Moline
Becky Marruffo	Illinois Department of Transportation (DOT) – District 2
Mike Matson	Mayor, City of Davenport
Marty O’Boyle	Mayor, City of Eldridge
Sangeetha Rayapati	Mayor, City of Moline
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation – District 6
Mike Thoms	Mayor, City of Rock Island

OTHERS PRESENT

Doug DeLille	Illinois DOT – Springfield
Leo Foley	Veenstra & Kimm
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
J.D. Schulte	Hutchinson Engineering
Freddy Vasquez	Bi-State Regional Commission
Joe Wick	Hutchinson Engineering
Chong Qing Wu	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the September 28, 2021 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Matson requested a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Ambrose motioned for approval of the minutes as written. Mr. Dunn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
2. I-74 Mississippi River Construction Update. Mr. Wick with the I-74 project team provided a status report of the I-74 Bridge construction project. He indicated that the team is beginning to talk about a grand opening ceremony, but details are still being worked out. The project is anticipated to be largely complete by November or early December this year. The multi-use path will be open by the end of the year.
3. Consideration of Time Extension for Moline Mississippi River Trail – Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) (MO-16-04). Mr. Vasquez discussed the TAP Extension Letter submitted from the City of Moline. The TAP Extension Letter is for the Mississippi River Trail Project (MO-16-04) that was originally programmed in FFY2017, and due to the current I-74 construction, there has been a delay in the progress of the project. The old I-74 bridge must be removed before moving forward with the construction of the project, which is why Moline has requested the project be programmed in FY2023 allowing time for the I-74 bridge

removal to take place. Mayor O'Boyle moved to approve Moline's TAP Extension Letter. Mr. Ambrose seconded, and the motion carried.

4. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Vasquez explained five amendments were requested this month. There were also two administrative modifications requiring no committee action. Two bridge projects in LeClaire had a change in funding sources from SWAP-HMP to BRM. It was clarified that LE-15-01 was a SWAP-BRM project and the other was a federal BRM project. These projects were also moved from FY20 to FY22. The State of Iowa had two amendments including a new mooring cell construction project on the Mississippi River. The TIP revisions are documented at the end of these minutes. Mayor O'Boyle moved to approve the TIP amendments as presented. Mr. Brunk seconded, and the motion carried.
5. Consideration of *Connect QC 2050: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan Addendum for Performance Measures*. Ms. McCullough discussed the *Connect QC 2050: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan Addendum for Performance Measures*. She reviewed from last month's presentation that the document included new target memos, transit memos of understanding, a performance measures timeline, and transit safety targets. Mr. Ambrose moved to approve the *Connect QC 2050: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan Addendum for Performance Measures*. Mayor Thoms seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
6. Consideration of *Bi-State Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy Document*. Mr. Schmid presented a brief overview of the *Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy*. Mr. Schmid noted there were no substantial changes except for updates to reporting contacts and new data in the appendices, and no comments were submitted. Mayor Freeman moved to recommend approval of the *Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy* to the Bi-State Regional Commission, and Mayor Thoms seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Consideration of Resolution for Designated Recipient Supplemental Agreement for the FFY 2020 and 2021 Distribution of FTA 5337 Funds. Mr. Schmid presented the resolution authorizing the Designated Recipient Supplemental Agreement for the distribution of FTA 5337 funds. Mr. Schmid noted MetroLINK is permitted to receive and dispense the suballocated portion of 5337 funds as the area passenger ferry provider, this being the Channel Cat Water Taxi. Mr. Ambrose moved to approve the resolution. Mayor Thoms seconded the motion, and it carried.
8. Consideration of Illinois Quad Cities Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TASA/TAP) Evaluation Process. Mr. Schmid presented the TASA Program, which funds eligible projects with a transportation purpose, versus a recreational one. TASA funded projects require a 20% match and must meet the federal requirements as noted in the Bi-State Regional Commission Transportation Alternatives Set-Aide Program Evaluation Manual. There were five applications total (4 projects) that include submissions from the City of Davenport, Moline, Princeton, and Rock Island County. Mr. Schmid noted the funds available for programming through FY2025 in Iowa totaled \$1,143,574, and \$376,541 in Illinois. The amount requested in Iowa was \$2,267,524, and \$468,807 in Illinois.

Illinois projects were submitted by the Rock Island County, specifically by the Big Island Conservancy District. Rock Island County would be the sponsor, and this application requested \$125,187. Moline submitted the Morgan Park Trail Phase 1 project at a request of \$343,620. Mayor Freeman moved to approve the funding recommendation made by the Transportation Technical Committee to fund the Moline Morgan Park Trail project at a set amount of \$343,620 for FY2025. Mr. Brunk seconded the motion, and it carried.

The City of Davenport submitted two projects; Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the West Loop. Phase 2 had a request of \$554,350, while Phase 3 requested all of the available funds in Iowa. Princeton submitted a project related to the Mississippi River Trail at a request of \$569,600. The Iowa TASA projects discussion was tabled by the Technical Committee for clarification on Princeton's project, which was predicated on other grant funds and the need for engineering. Further input needs to be gathered related to expected costs for preliminary engineering.

9. Consideration of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Evaluation Process and Recommended Amendments to the Quad Cities MPO FFY2022-2025 TIP. Mr. Vasquez presented the STBG overview of projects submitted. He discussed the STBG evaluation timeline, eligibility, and approval process. Mr. Vasquez reviewed the STBG criteria & scoring system, while also presenting maps related to extreme weather, median household income, limited English proficiency, and the minority population.

In Iowa, seven projects were submitted, totaling \$27 million. The amount requested in Iowa was \$21.5 million, while the amount available for programming was approximately \$9.9 million. In Illinois, seven projects were submitted totaling \$17 million. The amount requested was \$14 million, while the amount available for programming was roughly \$4.3 million. Mr. Vasquez presented the Iowa QC funding scenario noting the federal share of 70% recommended by the Transportation Technical Committee and one at the remaining available balance of the Iowa QC STBG funds or not to exceed 70% of the total original cost. These projects include Davenport's West Central Park Avenue project funded at \$2,596,773 for FFY2025, LeClaire's US 67 project at \$3,511,288 for FFY2024, Bettendorf's Central Avenue project at \$1,715,000 for FFY2024, and Scott County's Z30 bridge projects at \$1,218,000 for FFY2025. Recommendations were also made to fund Davenport's Eastern Avenue Bridge project with the remaining STBG balance of \$865,348 for FFY2025, not to exceed 70% of the total original cost. Mayor Matson requested a motion to approve the Iowa STBG projects, and Mr. Ambrose moved to approve the Iowa QC STBG projects recommended from the Transportation Technical Committee. Mayor Freeman seconded the motion, and it carried.

In Illinois, projects were also recommended at a federal share of 70% of the total original cost estimate. The recommended projects include two from Moline and one from Rock Island. Moline's 19th Avenue from Rock Island city limits to 7th Street at \$885,805 for FFY2024, Moline's second project from 7th Street to 16th Street at \$1,057,511 for FFY2024, and Rock Island's IL92 project at \$2,275,000 for FFY2025 were the three projects recommended for funding from the Transportation Technical Committee. It was noted that there will need to be a technical revision to the Long Range Transportation Plan to correctly represent the termini of Rock Island's IL92 project in Table 3.4: State Roadway Network. Mr. Ambrose moved to approve the Illinois QC STBG projects recommended by the Transportation Technical Committee. Mayor Thoms seconded the motion, and it carried.

10. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
11. Other Business. Ms. McCullough mentioned the next Policy Committee meeting would be moved to November 30, rather than the regular scheduled 4th Thursday of the month due to the Thanksgiving holiday.
12. Adjournment. Mr. Ambrose motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dunn seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

October 26, 2021 - Transportation Policy Committee - FFY2022-2025
 Transportation Improvement Program

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED													
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER													
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT ROUTE	PROJECT LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PLAN JUST.	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE*	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	NOTES
City of Davenport													
DA-22-01	2022	W 46th Street	Over Cardinal Creek	Bridge Replacement	MAINT	\$346,500			\$346,500	CBP			New Project: FY22 City Bridge Program
City of LeClaire													
LE-15-01	2022	Territorial Rd.	Over McCarty Creek near 277th Avenue	Bridge Replacement	MAINT	\$1,250,000	\$1,000,000	BRM-SWAP			\$250,000	CTY	Moved from FY20. Funding source changed from SWAP-HBP.
LE-20-01	2022	Territorial Rd.	Over McCarty Creek 0.3 miles east of 277th Avenue	Bridge Replacement	MAINT	\$1,295,000	\$1,000,000	BRM			\$295,000	CTY	Moved from FY20. Funding source changed from SWAP-HBP.
State of Iowa													
IA-22-10	2022	I-74	N of I-80 to 0.6 MI S of US 6/Kimberly Rd Interchange	Pavement Rehab	MAINT	\$3,720,000	\$3,348,000	NHPP	\$372,000	PRF			Change in Scope. Work will now be done N of I-80.
IA-22-14	2022	Mississippi River	Lower Pool of Lock & Dam 14, near River Mile 491.9	Mooring Cell Construction	OTHER	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	NHFP	\$400,000	PRF			New Project.
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - NO COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED													
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City of Moline													
MO-16-04	2024	Mississippi River Trail/19th Street	17th Street to W of ROW line for new I-74 Bridge; then S connecting to existing trail/AoC to MRT	Trail Construction	OTHER	\$466,700	\$373,360	TAP-REG			\$93,340	MFT	Moved from FY21.
State of Iowa													
IA-22-05	2022	US 6	I-280 Interchange in Davenport	Bridge Rehab	MAINT	\$1,373,000	\$1,235,700	NHPP	\$137,300	PRF			Moved from FY21 to FY22.