

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

Tuesday, April 26, 2022 – 12:00 p.m.
Rock Island County Board Chambers
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois
Mayor Mike Matson, MPO Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Bartels	Board President, Village of Coal Valley
Rob Bates	Illinois Department of Transportation (DOT) – District 2
Reggie Freeman	Mayor, City of East Moline
Bob Gallagher	Mayor, City of Bettendorf
Dennis Gerard	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Mike Matson	Mayor, City of Davenport
Robby Ortiz	Alderman, City of Davenport
Sangeetha Rayapati	Mayor, City of Moline
Sam Shea	Iowa Department of Transportation – District 6
Mike Thoms	Mayor, City of Rock Island
Berlinda Tyler-Jamison	MetroLINK

OTHERS PRESENT

Kenda Burrows	Quad Cities Business Journal
Doug DeLille	Illinois DOT – Springfield
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Joe Wick	Hutchinson Engineering
Chong Qing Wu	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Approval of Minutes of the March 22, 2022 Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting. Mayor Matson requested a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Thoms motioned for approval of the minutes as written. Mr. Ortiz seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
2. I-74 Mississippi River Reconstruction Update. Mr. Wick shared that the bicycle and pedestrian path should be open by the end of the week. Some aesthetic lighting work remains and will be completed this spring. Notable upcoming lettings include landscaping in early May, old bridge demolition in the early summer, and the bicycle and pedestrian elevator in the fall. Currently, 4th Avenue in Moline is closed due to demolition work.
3. Consideration of Revision to the Quad Cities MPO FFY-2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Ms. McCullough explained two amendments and one administrative modification that were requested this month. The first amendment concerns project number IL-22-07, which was moved from FY22 to FY23. The project will install ADA improvements districtwide along U.S. 67. The second amendment was for project number IA-22-15, which will see its federal aid increased from \$1.6 million to \$2,560,000, and state PRF funds increased from \$400,000 to \$640,080. Mr. Bartels motioned to approve the two amendments. Mayor Thoms seconded the motion, which carried. The administrative modification concerned project number IL-23-01, a resurfacing of I-280. The federal share of the project increased to \$9.9 million, and the state share increased to \$1.1 million.
4. Overview of Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Applications Submitted in the Quad Cities Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA). Ms. McCullough provided an overview of the RAISE program and the applications that were submitted from the Quad Cities Region. Funds of \$2.275 billion are available for FY22 under the U.S. DOT. The minimum grant award in urban areas is \$5 million,

while the maximum is \$25 million, and all applications require an 80/20 cost share. Grant awards will be announced in August 2022. All project awards must be obligated by September 30, 2026 and paid out by September 30, 2031. Eligible project activities include highway, bridge, or other roads; public transportation; passenger and freight rail projects; and port infrastructure and surface transportation at airports. Four applications were submitted from the Quad Cities Region by the Cities of Davenport, LeClaire, East Moline and Rock Island. The overall request of the four applications amounted to \$66 million, and the total overall project costs amounted to \$115.2 million.

The City of East Moline applied for \$23.7 million for the Strengthening Downtown, Connecting Communities – Greater Downtown Revitalization Project to repair streets and sidewalks downtown with streetscaping on 15th Avenue. The project also includes sidewalk connections, a railroad crossing, traffic calming, multiuse path, and transit access on 12th Avenue. The Bend District would add sidewalks, an extension of Bend Boulevard, and a connection to the Rust Belt area.

The City of Davenport applied for \$13.6 million to improve access to riverfront transportation. The project includes flood mitigation projects along and near the riverfront; sewer separation and backflow prevention; road elevations; and traffic safety improvements and street repair.

The City of LeClaire requested \$17.6 million in RAISE funds for the U.S. 67 Corridor Connectivity Improvements and Mississippi Riverfront Revitalization project. Funds would make street, bridge, and trail improvements on Wisconsin, Territorial, and Cody Roads. Boat access improvements, EV charging stations, and streetscape and park enhancements will also be made.

The City of Rock Island is seeking RAISE funds for U.S. 67/11th Street Reconstruction and Commercial Corridor Revitalization project. RAISE funds in the amount of \$11.1 million would reconstruct 11th Street between 35th and 41st Avenues; convert the road to a three-lane configuration; add bike, pedestrian, and transit accommodations and streetscaping; and make storm and sanitary sewer improvements.

5. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
6. Other Business. Mayor Matson directed the Committee to the various deadlines and recognitions this month and next. He noted that the Illinois and Iowa DOTs are hosting an online public meeting on May 11 at 4:00 p.m. on the I-80 study. He asked for input on providing support for House Resolution 4878: National Discovery Trails Act, which would establish a new class of national trails called National Discovery Trails and name the American Discovery Trail (ADT) as the first such trail. There were no objections to providing a letter of support. Mayors Matson and Thoms noted they were working together on improving the condition of the Centennial Bridge. Bi-State Regional Commission can apply for Statewide Planning and Research funds through the Illinois DOT upon the request of the communities.
 - *Quad Cities Area Bridge Restrictions Notice*
 - *May 2022 – National Bike Month and National Bicycle Safety Month (May 1 – National Ride a Bike Day; May 4 – National Bike & Roll to School Day; May 16-22 – Bike to Work Week; and May 20 – Bike to Work Day)*
 - *May 25 – National Senior Fitness Day*
7. Adjournment. Mayor Thoms motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Gerard seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

April 26, 2022 - 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
State of Illinois - IL													
IL-22-07	2023	Districtwide	US 67: Big Island Rd to W 5th Ave in Milan; Andalusia Rd: W 8-1/2 St to W 4th St in Milan	ADA Improvements	OTHER	\$1,600,000	\$800,000 \$480,000	STP-Urban STP-Rural	\$320,000	STA			Moved from FY22. Increase of funds from \$420,000 STP-Urban, and \$352,000 STP-Rural. Increase in state share from \$193,000.
State of Iowa - IA													
IA-22-15	2022	US 61	Ramps at Mt. Joy and Long Grove Interchanges	Pavement Rehab	MAINT	\$3,200,400	\$2,560,320	NHPP	\$640,080	PRF			Federal aid increased from \$1,600,000, and PRF increased from \$400,000.
TRANSIT													
PROJECT NUMBER	Year Programmed (FFY)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	FEDERAL SHARE	FEDERAL SOURCE	STATE SHARE	STATE SOURCE	LOCAL SHARE	LOCAL SOURCE	STATE # (IA TPMS #)	LOCAL SOURCE	NOTES
ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - NO COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED													
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State of Illinois - IL													
IL-23-01	2023	I-280	E of IL 92 to 0.1 mi E of Milan Beltway	Resurfacing	MAINT	\$11,000,000	\$9,900,000	NHPP	\$1,100,000	STA			Increase of federal share from \$8,100,000, and state share from \$900,000.