

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

Tuesday, January 13, 2009, 10:00 A.M.
Bi-State Regional Commission
Third Floor Conference Room
1504 Third Avenue
Rock Island, Illinois

MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Jeff Anderson | City of Moline |
| Mike Atchley | City of Davenport |
| Tim Kammler | City of East Moline |
| Mike Kane | City of Rock Island |
| Dan Long | Illinois Department of Transportation – Dixon |
| Wally Mook | City of Bettendorf |
| Luwanna Reed | Metro |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| Doug DeLille | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Jim Edmond | Howard R. Green Co. |
| Gena McCullough | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Becky Passman | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Lalit Patel | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Chelsey Waterman | Bi-State Regional Commission |
| Linda Work | Coventry Apartments |

1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 16, 2008 Transportation Technical Committee Meeting. Mr. Mook asked members to review the December 16, 2008 Transportation Technical Committee minutes for comments and/or corrections. A correction was noted for the spelling of Jon Burgstrom's last name. Mr. Kammler motioned to accept the minutes as corrected and Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as corrected.
2. Project Progress Report. Mr. Mook asked if there were any additions/corrections to the transportation progress report at the meeting that had not already been sent electronically or provided to staff in writing. No additions or corrections were noted. In addition, Ms. Waterman requested consideration of a FY09 Annual Element amendment of the FFY09-12 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The request was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation for IL-09-17. The project is adding National Highway System (NHS) funds amounting to \$900,000 with a total project cost of \$1 million. Mr. Kane recommended approval of the amendment to the Policy Committee and it was seconded by Mr. Anderson. The recommendation was approved as stated.

3. Consideration of Revisions to Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom (NF) Project Review Criteria. Copies of the project requirements and proposed review criteria was provided in members' agenda packet. Ms. Waterman explained after a debriefing with the transit managers and comments from the Technical Committee following the last distribution of funds, a new, more quantitative criteria was developed. The new criteria is modeled from an Illinois Department of Transportation format. Rather than projects scored one over another, projects are scored on their individual project merit. Ms. Waterman noted that programming is needed for the 2009 JARC funds and 2007, 2008, and 2009 NF funds. The FFY07 NF funds will lapse at the end of June 2009. Mr. Kammler recommended the approval of the revised JARC and NF project review criteria. Mr. Kane seconded the motion and it carried. On approval of the Policy Committee, a call for project submittals is anticipated by early February 2009.
4. Presentation on Bi-State Regional Transit Development Plan Update. Ms. Waterman reported the draft Bi-State Regional Transit Development Plan (TDP). The Plan is in its third iteration and evolving each year. A draft of the TDP update was provided in members' agenda packet for review in CD format. Ms. Waterman noted the original plan focused heavily on the public transit systems with some information on human services coordination. The second iteration began with establishing relationships and obtaining greater information on human services agencies and organizations. By the third iteration, human services coordination and participation is occurring and there are collaborations between agencies. A significant addition to the plan is the development of route maps for the human service provider transportation. The map illustrates where duplication of routes is occurring and where service is still lacking or could be coordinated. A one-page summary of plan revisions was also included in members' agenda packet as a quick reference to the changes. The draft will be provided to the Departments of Transportation for review and brought back to the Technical Committee for a recommendation in March. Until then, comments will be taken on the document prior to a final draft.
5. Presentation on 2040 Quad City Area Long Range Transportation Plan Update Timeline. Ms. McCullough presented information on the upcoming Long Range Transportation Plan (LRP) update. The document is updated every five years. It will need to meet the compliance requirements of SAFETEA-LU, including fiscal constraint, public involvement, and other elements. In the Travel Model Improvement Program (TMIP) Peer Review, an early recommendation was to revise the MPO boundary to align with Census boundaries. Staff will bring revisions to the February Technical Committee meeting. Additionally, staff is working a public involvement plan for the LRP. An initial technical committee travel demand model workshop is being planned to review how the travel model is used in predicting future traffic. A resource agency summit is also being planned to begin early consultation for environmental impacts of the transportation network. Beginning this summer, staff will begin working with community staff on the base year 2007 and future year 2040 data sets for Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs). An overall timeline anticipates a full draft document by December 2010 and final adoption of the plan update in March 2011.

6. Public Comments. Mr. Edgmond asked for clarification about the revisions to the MPO boundary. It was noted that the boundary will likely encompass more or less a similar boundary but will coincide with the Census Blocks. It will be more irregular but closely approximate the current boundary.
7. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted the next Technical Committee meeting was being planned for Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. A consensus of Technical Committee members agreed on the date and time. Mr. DeLille reminded Technical staff of training at the Bettendorf Public Library from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. set for January 29, 2009. The training will relate to furthering complete street concepts with a focus on intersections. Mr. Mook reiterated the dates for the North American Snow Conference to be held in Des Moines from April 26-29, 2009. He is working to coordinate buses on Monday or Tuesday of the conference as a day trip to allow a number of public works staff to attend this international conference. For the one-day attendance, a reduced rate of \$75 per person with 25 or greater is proposed to encourage the event.
8. Adjournment. Mr. Mook motioned to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at approximately 10:45 a.m.