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### **HEARTLAND 2050 REGIONAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (H2050 RPAC)**

Heartland 2050 is a community driven initiative pulling in stakeholders from across the region to think big and work towards a common vision for our five county region anchored by the Omaha-Council Bluffs metro area.

### **MEETING AGENDA – June 7, 2019**

This meeting of the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Heartland 2050 Regional Planning Committee will be conducted in compliance with the Nebraska Statutes of the Open Meetings Act. For reference, the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the Board Room.

- I. Welcome – Introductions
- II. [April Meeting Minutes](#) – (Action)
- III. Choice Neighborhoods Grant – David Fanslau, Earl Redrick, Othello Meadows
- IV. Regional Efforts
  - a. MAPA’s Role - Don Gross
    - i. Planning assistance
    - ii. Technical support to communities (Blair Video)
    - iii. Technical support to nonprofits
    - iv. Disaster Recovery
  - b. H2050 ongoing activities - Karna Loewenstein and Zach Reinhart
    - i. Mini Grant Program (N 24th Street)
    - ii. Nodes and Corridors Goals – Greg Youell
    - iii. Housing sub-committee
- V. Action Plan Refresh - Karna Loewenstein
- VI. Updates
  - a. Heartland 2050 Committees
  - b. MAPA
    - i. Studies/Plans
    - ii. Council Bluffs Mobility Taskforce - Greg Youell and Karna Loewenstein
- VII. Adjourn

### **Future Meetings & Events:**

NARC 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference and Exhibition, June 9-12, 2019 – Omaha Marriott Capitol District  
H2050 Regional Planning Advisory Committee – August 2, 2019

### **HEARTLAND 2050 GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

EQUITY | INCLUSIVITY | EFFICIENCY | LOCAL CONTROL/REGIONAL BENEFIT

## H2050 Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Friday, April 5, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

**Location:** MAPA Offices, Omaha, NE – Training Room

### **Members in Attendance:**

Kyle Anderson – Felsburg Holt & Ullevig  
Jamie Berglund – SPARK CDI  
David Fanslau – Omaha Planning Department (left at 11:52 a.m.)  
Dave Forrest – City of Ralston (left at 11:40 a.m.)  
Bruce Fountain – Sarpy County – filled in to Chair meeting  
Leland Jacobson – City of Bellevue  
Steve Jensen – Jensen Consulting (left at 11:45 a.m.)  
Patrick Leahy – Natural Resources Committee  
Thomas (Drew) Parks – Nebraska Department of Transportation  
Dr. Adi Pour – Douglas County Health Department  
Vicki Quaites-Ferris – Empowerment Network (arrived at 10:30 a.m.)  
Chris Rodgers – Douglas County Commissioner  
Curt Simon – Metro Transit Authority  
Mark Stursma – City of Papillion  
Ryan Sullivan – Washington County  
Carol Vinton – Mills County (left at 11:00 a.m.)  
Matt Wyant – Pottawattamie County

### **Members Absent:**

Troy Anderson – City of Omaha  
Ann Birch – City of La Vista  
Archie Carpenter – University of Nebraska Medical Center  
Jaylene Eilenstine – Metro Omaha Builders Association  
Cesar Garcia – DLR Group  
Brandon Garrett – City of Council Bluffs  
Chris Gibbons – City of Council Bluffs  
Dan Giittinger – City of Gretna  
Shelley Henderson – FIRST  
Dr. Dan Kinney – Iowa Western Community College  
Ron Kohn – City of Glenwood, IA  
Marta Londono – Midlands Latino Community Development Corporation  
Othello Meadows – Seventy-Five North  
Mark Norman – Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce  
Stephen Osberg – Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce  
Nancy Pridal, Lamp Rynearson & Associates, Inc.  
Earl Redrick – HUD (Non-Voting Member)  
Zach Reinhardt – Burlington Capital  
Connie Spellman – Heartland 2050  
Rod Storm – City of Blair  
Laurie Zagurski – Omaha Public Power District

**Guest:** None.

**MAPA Staff:** Christina Brownell, Josh Corrigan, Don Gross, Trevor Harlow, Karna Loewenstein, Jeff Spiehs, Greg Youell

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### I. Welcome / Introductions –

Vice-Chair Fountain called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m., welcomed the committee, and introductions were made.

### II. February Meeting Minutes – (Action)

No changes or corrections.

MOTION by Vinton, SECOND by Stursma to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2019 meeting of the Heartland 2050 Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC).

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

### III. Updates –

#### A. 2019 Flooding – Presented by Greg Youell, Executive Director (MAPA) – (Information)

Mr. Youell gave an update on the role the agency will have during the recovery process and presented drone footage of the flooding. Members gave updates on impacts to their communities.

#### B. Population and Land Use Forecasts – Presented by Josh Corrigan, GIS Coordinator (MAPA) – (Action)

Mr. Corrigan presented to the committee for approval the Population and Land Use Forecasts. High-density and low-density growth scenarios were presented. Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Forrest, SECOND by Jacobson to approve the Population and Land Use Forecasts.

NAYS: Berguld

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

#### C. Growth and Development Report Update – Presented by Josh Corrigan, GIS Coordinator (MAPA) – (Information)

Mr. Corrigan provided an update on the MAPA Growth and Development report to the committee.

### IV. Regional Vision (Heartland 2050) – (Discussion)

#### A. Nodes and Corridors Follow Up – Presented by Greg Youell, Executive Director (MAPA)

The committee continued the Nodes and Corridors discussion from the previous meeting. The discussion was focused around ways to bring the Nodes and Corridors conversation to decision makers in planning boards and departments.

#### B. Resiliency Planning – Presented by Jeff Spiehs, Community Relations Manager (MAPA)

Mr. Spiehs presented about the value of resiliency. Mr. Spiehs asked for any additional input for representing that in the future.

### V. Additional Business – (Information)

#### A. H2050 Implementation Committee Updates

1. Infrastructure – Committee members are actively engaged with the Chambers work on the Unified Transportation Plan. Two new working groups have formed for a long-range utility plan and to adapt the AARP Livable Communities model.

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2. Equity and Engagement – Committee members are actively engaged with the Housing and Development Committee to help integrate an equitable development scorecard for the region.
  3. Natural Resources – Committee members are looking into ways to connect Iowa and Nebraska trail systems. Committee has met with ESRI about new GIS tools for the Natural Resources Inventory. MAPA presented to the United Way’s Share Our Table leadership to pitch MAPA as a host spot for the new hire that will be overseeing the local foods network.
  4. Housing and Development – New BLK was present at the last committee meeting to help develop and grow the communication strategy around housing affordability. Committee has taken on work for fair housing and looking at benefits with business and industry.
- B. Unified Transportation Plan – (Information) Presented by Greg Youell, Executive Director (MAPA)  
Mr. Youell provided a brief update on the Unified Transportation Plan.
- C. ROI – Transit Investment Analysis – (Information) Presented by Greg Youell, Executive Director (MAPA)  
Mr. Youell provided a brief update on the ROI Transit Investment Analysis.
- D. Metro Transit Development Plan (TDP) – (Information)  
Curt Simon, Metro Transit Executive Director, provided an update to the committee on the Metro TDP.

### VI. Adjourn –

Chair Fountain adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m. Next meeting will be held on Friday, June 7, 2019 at MAPA in the Downstairs Training Room.