

**DATE:** March 17, 2017  
**TO:** Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)  
**FROM:** Dennis Wilson, Chairman  
Greg Youell, MAPA Executive Director  
**RE:** March 24, 2017 TTAC Meeting

The MAPA TTAC will meet Friday, March 24, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Metro Building at 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102. The TTAC meeting will be held in the Metro Training Room on the lower level. Please enter the building through Metro's front door and follow the signs to the Metro Training Room on the lower level. The agenda item materials can be accessed by clicking on the linked agenda item titles.

The agenda is also available at the MAPA offices and online at <http://mapacog.org/calendar/events/?type=committee-events>.

### **AGENDA**

#### **For TTAC Approval / Review**

- A. Meeting Minutes: TTAC will consider approval of the February 17, 2017 TTAC meeting minutes. (Action Item) (Attachment)

#### **Recommendations to Board**

- B. Draft FY2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): Staff will present the Draft FY2018 Unified Planning Work Program and budget. (Action Item)
- C. FY2017 Transportation Improvement Program – Amendment 5: Staff will request a recommendation for approval of an amendment to FY2017-FY2021 Transportation Improvement Program. (Action Item) (Attachment)
- D. Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Program: Staff will request recommendation for approval of applications submitted to the Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant program. (Action) (Attachment)

#### **Discussion Items**

- E. Funding Obligation and Project Status: Staff will review obligations of regional funding, the status of projects, and the existing programming of projects (Information Item)
- F. Sarpy County Transit Study: Olsson Associates will present information from the Draft Final Report of the Sarpy County Transit Study (Information Item).
- G. Member Agencies Update: Agencies will present updates regarding ongoing and future projects/programs across the region. (Information Item) (Time Permitting)
- H. Additional Business  
*Upcoming Meetings:* MAPA Board of Directors – March 30, 2017  
Coordinated Transit Committee – April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Transportation Technical Advisory Committee – April 21, 2017
- I. Adjournment

Auxiliary aids, language assistance, and services are available when requested in advance. Please call the office.  
Si necesita ayuda con traducción. Por favor llame la oficina.

OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING AGENCY  
Transportation Technical Advisory Committee  
Minutes of March 24, 2017 Meeting

The Transportation Technical Advisory Committee met on Friday, March 24, 2017, at Metro, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha, Nebraska. Mr. Denny Wilson opened the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

VOTING MEMBERS

Denny Wilson	Sarpy County Public Works
Jeff Roberts	City of Bellevue Public Works
Matt Cox	City of Council Bluffs Public Works
Dan Giittinger	City of Gretna
Rocky Henkel	City of La Vista Public Works
John Kottmann	City of La Vista Public Works
Joe Soucie	City of La Vista Public Works
Stephen Osberg	City of Omaha Planning Department
Derek Miller	City of Omaha Planning Department
Murthy Koti	City of Omaha Public Works
Bob Stubbe	City of Omaha Public Works
Jeff Thompson	City of Papillion Public Works
Scott Suhr	Iowa DOT
Noel Salac	Nebraska Department of Roads – Lincoln
Tim Weander	Nebraska Department of Roads – District 2
Eric Williams	Papio-Missouri River NRD
Bruce Fountain	Sarpy County Planning Department
Bill Herr	Sarpy County Public Works
Curt Simon	Metro Transit

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Greg Youell	Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Justin Luther	FHWA – Nebraska Division

GUESTS

Maurice Hinchey	Nebraska Department of Roads – District 2
Evan Schweitz	Metro Transit
Lee Myers	AARP
Pat Kastl	Alfred Benesch and Associates
Jason Carbee	HDR, Inc.
Kyle Kovar	3M Traffic
David Andersen	FHU
John Krager	HGM Associates
Arobindu Das	Iteris, Inc.
Corinne Donahue	Olsson Associates
Glen Campbell	Patrick Engineering
Shane Swope	Schemmer
Steve Ziemba	Terracon

STAFF

Court Barber	Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Josh Corrigan	Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Mike Helgerson	Metropolitan Area Planning Agency

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion #1: Approval of the minutes of the February 17, 2017 Transportation Technical Advisory Committee Meeting.

Motion by: Todd Pfitzer  
Second by: Curt Simon  
Motion Carried

## B. Draft FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Mr. Youell explained to the Committees the draft budget for the UPWP with both the work activities and budget items. Highlights of the Draft include new, consolidated element codes, performance measurement and Heartland 2050's Mini-Grant Program.

Mr. Pfitzer asked Mr. Youell to comment on the Omaha streetcar project which was in the day's Omaha World-Herald. The article was referenced from the H2050 Summit on March 23, 2017. Joe Reardon, the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce CEO, was a speaker at the Summit and he discussed the streetcar project in Kansas City. Among other topics, he said it developed partnerships in transporting workers to their jobs in outlying areas of the region. Mr. Youell was quoted in the article saying the streetcar project and the BRT were the first pieces of our regional system. He related our beginning phases as comparable to Kansas City as their transit projects began.

Motion #2: Seeking approval of the MAPA Board of Directors at their March 30, 2017 meeting of the Draft FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program.

Motion by: Scott Suhr  
 Second by: Todd Pfitzer  
 Motion Carried

## C. FY 2017 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Amendment 5

Mr. Barber addressed the TTAC with the FY 2017 TIP Amendment 5. Projects of the Amendment are:

Douglas County	180 <sup>th</sup> Street – Phases 1 and 2
Omaha	114 <sup>th</sup> Street project
	Omaha Signal Infrastructure Phases A1; A2; A3
Council Bluffs	North 16 <sup>th</sup> Street Reconstruction

Motion #3: Seeking approval of the MAPA Board of Directors at their March 30, 2017 meeting of the FY 2017 Transportation Improvement Program – Amendment 5.

Motion by: Murthy Koti  
 Second by: Noel Salac  
 Motion Carried

## D. Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Program

Mr. Helgerson updated the Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Program. Money set aside from STBG funding will be used for projects relating to the implementation of Heartland 2050. They will be looking for planning studies or small-scale implementation studies related to the transportation and transit recommendations of the vision and Close the Gap. Applications received were prioritized and the Mini-Grant Review Committee recommended which projects should receive funding. The projects recommended to be approved by the Board of Directors are:

### Recommended

Metro Transit – Transit Development Plan	\$87,500.00
City of Omaha – 13 <sup>th</sup> Street Corridor Walkability Study	\$100,000.00
Sarpy County – Arterial & Collector Road Location Study	\$30,000.00
Council Bluffs – Council Bluffs Walkability Master Plan	\$80,000.00

### Not Recommended

SWITA – Vehicle Transportation for Community Integration	\$19,000.00
--	-------------

Motion #4: Seeking approval of the MAPA Board of Directors at their March 30, 2017 meeting of the Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Program recommendations.

Motion by: Dan Giitinger  
 Second by: Bruce Fountain  
 Motion Carried

#### E. Funding Obligation and Project Status

Mr. Helgerson reviewed the monthly funding status of obligations. Nebraska's obligation limit for STBG funding is at \$8,325,000 and the current balance is at \$5,751,000. There are no TAP projects programmed in Nebraska this year. For Iowa, most projects are earmarked and are not reflected in the presented numbers which show \$10,684,000 at the end of Q4 in the Highway Program and \$484,000 in the Enhancement Program. Mr. Helgerson went through projects and what their status is for each year.

#### F. Sarpy County Transit Study

Corinne Donahue of Olsson Associates presented the Sarpy County Transit Study where a vision was developed for the fastest growing county in Nebraska in terms of transportation.

#### G. Member Agencies Update

- Iowa DOT – Scott Suhr: Interstate project in Council Bluffs; 2 public meetings to be held regarding construction updates
- City of Omaha – Todd Pfitzer: Meeting with NDOR and Federal Highway about the 120<sup>th</sup> Street project; right-of-way challenges; 114<sup>th</sup> Street project with eminent domain and right-of-way; 168<sup>th</sup> Street project north of Dodge and various active projects around the city;
- City of Omaha – Murthy Koti: Traffic signal updates; 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Dodge corridors with adaptive signal projects; Signal infrastructure phases; Boys Town 144<sup>th</sup> Street just north of Dodge to south of Pacific Street; KeepOmahaMoving.com to inform the public of construction projects
- City of Omaha – Derek Miller: Streetcar update with a projection of the project becoming a reality in 2022
- Stephen Osberg: Using CMAQ funds to double the bike share system; shifting to more standard bike route signage on the side of the road
- City of Papillion – Jeff Thompson: 148<sup>th</sup> Street; flood control structure between 114<sup>th</sup> and 120<sup>th</sup> Streets on Cornhusker; Lincoln Road between 84<sup>th</sup> and 96<sup>th</sup> Streets; Schram Road between 180<sup>th</sup> Street and Turkey Road; Walnut Creek Trail; 90<sup>th</sup> Street – trails; crosswalk options on 84<sup>th</sup> Street downtown
- Sarpy County – Bill Herr: 132<sup>nd</sup> and Giles; 72<sup>nd</sup> from Capehart to Platteview Road; Harrison and 156<sup>th</sup> Streets - Phase 1
- City of La Vista – Joe Soucie: 84<sup>th</sup> Street transformation; 132<sup>nd</sup> and Giles; Exit 442 on I-80; construction around Nebraska Multisport Complex
- Metro Transit – Curt Simon: Signage phase
- City of Gretna – Dan Gittinger: Meeting with property owners concerning project on 216<sup>th</sup> Street from W. Angus Road to Gruenther Road
- Nebraska Department of Roads – District 2 – Tim Weander: 2 legislative bills including the incorporation of the Department of Aeronautics and Nebraska Department of Roads into a DOT
- Nebraska Department of Roads – District 2 – Maurice Hinchey: I-80/I-480 closed southbound; I-480 southbound to Interchange; July 2017 Hwy 75 from Hamilton to Sorenson Streets; 88<sup>th</sup> and Maple Streets bridge; Hwy 64 from Elkhorn to Hwy 275 Interchange; Hwy 75 in Bellevue; Veterans Bridge in South Omaha; Giles Interchange at I-80; Hwy 133 Blair
- City of Council Bluffs – Matt Cox: Broadway reconstruction; signals updating; storm sewer crossing I-29 at N. 28<sup>th</sup> Street
- City of Bellevue – Jeff Roberts: Moving City Hall to new campus; 36<sup>th</sup> Street; 8 upcoming projects
- NDOR – Noel Salac: Freight Plan engaging MPOs and FHWA to designate critical urban freight corridors at DOT; authorization to fill highway planning manager position
- FHWA – Nebraska Division - Justin Luther: Performance measures effective date moved to May 20, 2017
- MAPA – Mike Helgerson: Meetings about the Long Range Plan will continue; MTIS is nearing the end of Phase 2 with Phase 3 starting later in the year; ProSeCom met to look at studies being proposed and smaller projects related to the Bellevue Bridge study among others; working with the State to identify what STBG projects look like
- MAPA – Greg Youell: Nebraska LB373 will repeal the Nebraska Act and the Tax Credits; Iowa is proposing a DOT road fund swap with cities and counties and will likely pass; President's preliminary budget has been announced and it will eliminate the TIGER program and all new starts for transit and there's concern about the elimination of the Community Development Block Program

## H. Additional Business

### Upcoming Meetings

- Board of Directors – March 30, 2017
- Coordinated Transit Committee (CTC) – April 19, 2017
- TTAC – April 21, 2017

## I. Adjournment

Motion #5: Motion to adjourn:

Motion by: Bill Herr  
Second by: Scott Suhr  
Motion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.