

**OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

Minutes  
July 23, 2020

The Board of Directors met at the MAPA offices, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha. Chairperson Kindig called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**

Members/Officers Present

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| Troy Anderson (rep. Jean Stothert) | Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha                                   |
| Clare Duda                         | Douglas County Commissioner  |
| Rusty Hike                         | Mayor, City of Bellevue  |
| Doug Kindig – Chair                | NE Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mayor, City of La Vista) |
| Matt Walsh                         | Mayor, City of Council Bluffs  |
| Jim Warren                         | Sarpy County Commissioner  |

Members/Officers Absent

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| Patrick Bloomingdale – Secretary/Treasurer | Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County                                     |
| Pete Festersen                             | Omaha City Council   |
| Justin Schultz                             | Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors  |
| Carol Vinton                               | IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors) |

MAPA Staff

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| Christina Brownell | Mike Helgerson | Michael Keays | Brenda Ramirez | Greg Youell |
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**B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the July 23, 2020 meeting agenda – (Action)**

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Walsh to approve the agenda of the July 23, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors  
AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: Warren  
MOTION CARRIED.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the June 25, 2020 meeting – (Action)**

MOTION by Duda, SECOND by Hike to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors.  
AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: Warren  
MOTION CARRIED.

**D. AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS – (Information)**

1. Agency Reports –

- a. Executive Director’s Report – Presented by Greg Youell, Executive Director  
Mr. Youell provided an update to the Board on MAPA department projects and activities. Updates were provided on the following: EDA Grant Applications; Blair housing projects; NDOT Audit; transportation project updates; Heartland Civic Collaborative (NE, IA, KS, MO); and staff updates.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.**

**F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)**

1. Finance Committee Minutes of the July 15, 2020 Meeting.

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_  
Patrick Bloomingdale, Secretary/Treasurer

2. Final Contract Payments Pending Staff Review –
  - a. Douglas County GIS – FY 2020 Planning - \$13,730.60
  - b. City of Omaha Planning - \$2,909.64
  - c. Pottawattamie County – FY 2020 Planning - \$2,789.61
  - d. We Are The New BLK LLC – On-Call Community Support - \$1,750.00
3. Audit Engagement Letter – FY 2020 Audit Fees \$17,000.00

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Warren, to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Resolution 2021 – 01: FY 2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #9 – (Action)  
Mr. Helgeson presented to the Board for approval Resolution 2021-01: FY 2020 TIP Amendment #9, which amends Metro Transit’s Program of Projects to include additional activities using Section 5339(b) and 5399(c) funds.

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Warren, to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. Transportation Presentations – (Information)
  - a. Development Report Update – Mr. Helgeson provided an update to the Board on the MAPA Regional Development Report This report focuses on summarizing and reporting local building and permit data, as well as tracking progress of land use and development goals for the region.
  - b. MAPA 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Mr. Helgeson provided an update to the Board on the MAPA 2050 LRTP. This plan is updated every 5 years and provides a 20-year forecast of priorities for federal transportation investment; guides MAPA’s planning projects that are selected for the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and establishes targets for performance related to transportation planning.
2. New Contracts – (Action)  
Mr. Youell presented to the Board the new contracts listed below.
  - a. City of Carter Lake – Iowa Sanitary Sewer Improvements - \$30,000
  - b. FY 2021 Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Memorandums of Understanding (MOU)
    - i. City of Omaha – Indian Hills-Southside Terrace Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - \$120,000 (\$96,000 Federal Funding / \$24,000 Local Match)
    - ii. Papio-Missouri River Natural Resource District - Neighborhood Enhancement and Access to Trails (NEAT) Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – \$150,000 (\$120,000 Federal Funding / \$30,000 Local Match)
    - iii. Metro Transit - ORBT Operational Support Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – \$182,884 (\$146,307 Federal Funding / \$36,577 Local Match)
  - c. Greater Omaha Chamber Memorandum of Understanding: Smart Cities Project - Addendum B with Funding from the Iowa West Foundation –\$17,000
  - d. Olsson - 24th Street Central Corridor Multimodal Transportation Plan – Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000
  - e. Verdis Group - On-Call Travel Demand Management Services
    - i. Master Agreement UK2009 – \$200,000
    - ii. Task Order 1 – \$97,110

MOTION by Duda, SECOND by Walsh to approve the new contracts listed above.

AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. Resolution 2021 – 02: MAPA Functional Classification Map Addendum – (Action)  
Mr. Helgeson presented to the Board for approval Resolution 2021 – 02: MAPA Functional Classification Map Addendum. These changes are pending approval of resolutions from individual jurisdictions.

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Warren to approve Resolution 2021 - 02 – MAPA Functional Classification Map Addendum.

AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Health Insurance Renewal– (Action)

Mr. Youell presented to the Board for approval the Health Insurance Plan renewal. Changes to the current plan include a 2.5% premium increase.

MOTION by Warren, SECOND by Duda to approve the FY 2021 Health Insurance renewals with a 2.5% premium increase.

AYES: Anderson, Duda, Hike, Kindig, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

5. Board Members Annual Conflict of Interest – (Action)

All present members were provided with the Annual Conflict of Interest form to sign. All members will be asked to sign this form for the fiscal year FY 2021.

G. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None.

H. DISCUSSION –

1. MAPA 2020 Regional Award Nominations – (Information)

Mr. Youell notified members that nominations are open for the FY 2020 Annual Awards. Members were provided with previous Annual Award winners for the Award of Merit, Citizenship Award and Service Award.

I. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:37 p.m.