

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

Minutes  
September 10, 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

Troy Anderson (rep. Jean Stothert)	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha
Clare Duda	Douglas County Commissioner
Pete Festersen	Omaha City Council
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

Patrick Bloomingdale – Secretary/Treasurer	Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Justin Schultz	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
Carol Vinton	IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors)

MAPA Staff

Natasha Barrett	Jim Boerner	Christina Brownell	Mike Helgerson	Michael Keays
Greg Youell				

**B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the September 10, 2020 meeting agenda – (Action)**

MOTION by Walsh, SECOND by Warren to approve the agenda of the September 10, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors  
AYES: Anderson, Duda, Festersen, Kindig, Walsh, Warren  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the July 23, 2020 meeting – (Action)**

MOTION by Warren, SECOND by Dudato approve the minutes of the July 23, 2020 meeting of the Board of Directors.  
AYES: Anderson, Duda, Festersen, Kindig, Walsh, Warren  
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: CARES Act Funding; Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Application resubmitted; Pottawattamie County Housing Trust Fund award; State CDBG-CB and CDBG-DR funds; Long Range Planning (LRTP) and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) update; Pacific Junction Flood Recovery; Transportation - August Redistribution; Events update include Smart Growth America Webinar, Benson Block Talk, FHWA Peer Exchange Performance Measures and the MAPA Council of Officials Annual Meeting.

Approved by

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Patrick Bloomingdale, Secretary/Treasurer

- b. Staff Update: Mr. Michael Keays, Director of Finance and Administration, provided an update to the Board on Department activities.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)

1. Finance Committee Minutes of the August 19, 2020 Meeting.
2. Final Contract Payments –
  - a. City of Omaha Planning – FY 2020 Planning Activities - not to exceed \$7,925.23
  - b. City of Omaha Public Works – FY 2020 Planning Activities - no to exceed \$10,350.00
  - c. Sarpy County Planning & GIS – FY 2020 Planning Activities - not to exceed \$2,789.61
3. New Contract – Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District - Neighborhood Enhancement & Access to Trails (NEAT) Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - \$160,000 (\$120,000 Federal Funding / \$40,000 Local Match)

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS – None.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. New Contracts – (Action)

Mr. Youell presented to the Board the new contracts listed below.

- a. Iowa Economic Development Authority - Comprehensive Land Use Planning Grant – \$32,000 (\$15,295 Award / \$17,2105 In-Kind Match) – MAPA will participate and support this federally funded State of Iowa project through coordination and planning support. The Plan will allow community leaders to understand their disaster mitigation, resiliency and recovery opportunities as they relate to sustainable economic and community development for the Missouri River valley within Mills and Fremont Counties. MAPA will receive \$15,295 and provide \$17,105 in staff time as in-kind match toward the project. The contract goes through January 31, 2022.
- b. FTA 5310 Administration and Acquisition of Service Recipients –  
The following contracts cover the FTA section of 5310 funding for operations. These transit providers were recommended through MAPA’s Coordinated Transit Committee (CTC) process.
  - i. Black Hills Works - Offutt Air Force Base - \$225,000 Federal & \$225,000 Match
  - ii. City of Council Bluffs Paratransit Services - \$163,924 Federal & \$163,924 Match
  - iii. Florence Home for the Aged Paratransit Services - \$56,010 Federal & \$56,010 Match
- c. Landlord Assistance Program –  
Staff requested approval to administer a Landlord Assistance Program in partnership with SENDD and NROC, utilizing funds from Nebraska DHHS and Nebraska Children and Families Foundation. MAPA will be responsible for administering a portion of \$1.36 million in funding statewide.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – (Information)

Mr. Helgeson provided an update to the Board on the Draft 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan.

3. Regional Traffic Update – (Information)

Mr. Boerner provided an update to the Board on the traffic volume data for the MAPA Region during the COVID-19 pandemic.

G. DISCUSSION –

H. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS –

I. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:27 p.m.