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MEETING NOTICE

May 6, 2020

TO: RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committees

FROM: Charles Parkhurst, RPA-18 Policy Committee Chair
John Rasmussen, RPA-18 Technical Committee Chair
Michael Helgerson, Transportation & Data Manager / RPA-18 Administrator

RE: May 13 RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committee Meeting

The RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committees will meet on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 11:00 am virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. For video streaming capabilities, please visit MAPA's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MAPA2222.

"This meeting is being held by electronic means pursuant to the provisions of the Iowa Open Meetings Law, Section 21.8, Code of Iowa. The meeting is being held by conference call originating from the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Office in Omaha, Nebraska. It is open to the public and those in attendance can hear the proceedings. Public notice of the meeting has been issued in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.4."

As a quorum is needed to approve the agenda items, please contact me if you cannot attend.

AGENDA

- 1) **Approval of Agenda**
- 2) **Approval of Minutes:** April 8, 2020 meeting. **(Action)**
- 3) **FY2021 Final Transportation Planning Work Program:** Staff will present the Final work program for FY 2021. **(Action Item)**
- 4) **Highway 34 "Super Two" Letter of Support:** Staff will present a letter of support for research of a "Super Two" concept along US Highway 34 in Iowa. **(Action Item)**
- 5) **Additional Business**
- 6) **Next Meeting (Information):** The next scheduled meeting of the RPA-18 Policy and Technical Committees is on June 10, 2020 at 11:00 am.
- 7) **Adjournment**

RPA-18 Policy/Technical Committee
Minutes of May 13, 2020 Meeting

11:00 a.m.

The RPA-18 Policy and Transportation Technical Committees met on May 13, 2020 virtually due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. The meeting was held in compliance with the Iowa Open Meetings Act. Charles Parkhurst called the meeting to order at 11:00am.

PRESENT

Policy Committee

Charles Parkhurst
Ron Kohn
John Rasmussen
Steven Struble

Shelby County Supervisor
Glenwood Mayor
Pottawattamie County
Harrison County

Technical Committee

Cory Gaston
Brandon Burmeister
John Rasmussen
Perry Cook

Mills County Engineer
Shelby County Engineer
Pottawattamie County Engineer
Glenwood Public Works

Staff/Non-Voting Members

Michael Helgerson
Travis Halm
James Boerner
Scott Suhr
Michelle Wodtke-Franks

Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
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Iowa Department of Transportation
Golden Hills Resource Conservation and Dev.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Gettys

SECOND by Crouch

2. Approval of Minutes

Parkhurst called for approval of the minutes from April 8, 2020.

MOTION by Rasmussen

SECOND by Gettys

3. FY2021 Final Transportation Planning Work Program

Michael Helgerson, MAPA, presented the Final Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) which was presented as a draft at the April Meeting.

Helgerson noted that this the budget of all components which make up the administration of the RPA-18, from administration to staff time and planning studies.

Helgerson added that the scope of work has remained very similar from previous years, but some items have been cleaned up per Iowa DOT guidance. No budget changes have been added since the previous meeting.

Helgerson stated this item would go to state and federal partners, as it is due June 1, and becomes effective July 1.

Brandon Rasmussen, Shelby County, requested changing an error in the final TPWP.

Travis Halm added that it could be approved with a condition of that error being changed.

MOTION by Burmeister

SECOND by Rasmussen

4. Highway 34 “Super Two” Letter of Support

Travis Halm presented a Letter of Support drafted by MAPA for the support of researching a “Super Two” concept along US Highway 34 in Iowa.

Halm noted that ICE data from Iowa DOT showed certain areas where a Super Two concept would be beneficial, notably on hills, and during harvest season due to wide discrepancy in speeds of vehicles.

MOTION by Rasmussen

SECOND by Struble

MOTION PASSES

5. Additional Business

Scott Suhr discussed the funding possibilities of ensuring regional equity related to small collector routes which service communities under 5,000 people, after a conversation with Greg Youell about Farm-to-Market extensions, in particular to Silver City. Suhr added that some RPAs set aside 50,000 for small communities or transit.

Michael Helgerson noted that this conversation has been done when debating regional equity, since many Farm-to-Market extensions through small communities have been included the program.

Corey Gaston added that he met with MAPA yesterday regarding programming the Silver City project being programmed in 2021.

John Rasmussen informed the committee that Pottawattamie County was considering allowing ATVs on county highways, and was currently undergoing a process to determine how and where they could be legal.

6. Next Meeting: (Information)

The next meeting of the RPA is scheduled for June 10, 11:00am. Details are still pending.

7. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:27.