



OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING AGENCY
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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 six county region anchored by the Omaha-Council Bluffs metro area.

MEETING AGENDA

Friday, February 5, 2021 | 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m..

In an abundance of caution due to our community's current public health situation with COVID-19, and in compliance with Nebraska Executive Order No. 20-36 dated November 25, 2020, "Corona Virus - Public Meetings Requirement Limited Waiver", the meeting of the Regional Planning Advisory Committee will be held as a virtual meeting.

The meeting will be streamed live through MAPA's Facebook page. Anyone interested in viewing the meeting should go to [facebook.com/MAPA2222/](https://www.facebook.com/MAPA2222/)

Members Present

Kyle Anderson
Wayne Brown
Fred Conley
Meredith Dillon
Lynn Dittmer
Bruce Fountain
Dan Gittenger
Leland Jacobsen
Steve Jensen
Jason Kubicek
Stephen Osberg
Lindsay Neeman
Nancy Prical
Vicki Quaites-Ferris
Earl Redrick
Connie Spellman
Keith Station
Ashley Turner

Members Absent

Troy Anderson
Jamie Berglund
Dr Marth Bruckner
Lauren Cencic
Jaylene Eilenstine
David Fanslau
Chris Gibbons
Mike Jensen
Patrick Leahy
Ron Kohn

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Members Absent Contd.

Dr Adi Pour
Jeff Riesselman
Zach Reinhardt
Christ Rodgers
Chris Shewchuk
Rod Storm
Mark Stursma

- A. Welcome – Chair Nancy Pridal, Lamp Rynearson
Chair Nancy Pridal opened the meeting and asked everyone to do quick introductions.
- B. New Member Introduction - Dr. Martha Bruckner, Executive Director of Metro Omaha Education Consortium (MOEC)
Dr Bruckner was not able to attend the meeting, so her introduction will be conducted in April.
- C. [Council of Officials Survey Update](#) - Greg Youell, Executive Director MAPA
In the absence of Greg Youell, Karna Loewenstein shared a brief overview of steps taken since the Committee gave feedback on priorities at the December meeting. A more detailed update on the results of the COO survey will be given by Greg Youell in April.
- D. Sherwood Foundation Housing Study - Meredith Dillon, Program Associate The Sherwood Foundation
Meridith Dillon gave a presentation on the results of the Sherwood Foundation Housing study to be released in March. Questions and a discussion followed.
- E. ConnectGO Strategies Update - Stephen Osberg, Director Transportation Development Greater Omaha Area Chamber
Stephen Osberg gave a presentation on the latest strategies in the ConnectGO Plan. Questions and a discussion followed.
- F. Broadband Speed Testing Initiative - Shawna Silvius, Economic Development Planner MAPA
Shawna Silvius gave a presentation on the Nebraska Broadband Speed Test Initiative. Questions and a discussion followed.
- G. Additional Business
 - 1. Committee Updates
*Vicki Quates Ferris gave a brief update on the Equity & Engagement Committee
Kyle Anderson and Karna Loewenstein gave a brief update on the Infrastructure Committee
Committee Chairs from Natural Resources and Housing & Development were not present.*
 - 2. Community Updates
Ashely Turner shared that North End Teleservices is hiring several management level positions.
- H. Adjourn

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