

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

Minutes  
March 25, 2021

In compliance with Nebraska Executive Order No. 20-36 dated November 25, 2020, "Corona Virus - Public Meetings Requirement Limited Waiver", the meeting of the Omaha-Council Bluffs Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA) Board of Directors was held as a virtual meeting. Vice Chair Vinton called the meeting to order at 1:49 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**

Members/Officers Present

Troy Anderson ( <i>rep. Mayor Jean Stothert</i> )	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha
Patrick Bloomingdale	Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County
Scott Belt	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
Pete Festersen	Omaha City Council
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Chris Rodgers	Douglas County Commissioner
Carol Vinton – Vice Chair	IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors)
Matt Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs
Jim Warren	Sarpy County Commissioner

Members/Officers Absent

Doug Kindig – Chair	NE Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mayor, City of La Vista)
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MAPA Staff

Court Barber	Natasha Barrett	Sue Cutsforth	Don Gross	Matt Eash
Mike Helgerson	Shawna Silvius	Bridgette Smith	Greg Youell	

**B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the March 25, 2021 meeting agenda – (Action)**

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Walsh to approve the agenda of the March 25, 2021 Board of Directors meeting.  
AYES: Anderson, Belt, Festersen, Hike, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh, Warren  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
MOTION CARRIED.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the February 25, 2021 meeting – (Action)**

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Warren to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2021 meeting of the Board of Directors.  
AYES: Anderson, Belt, Festersen, Hike, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh, Warren  
NAYS: None.  
ABSTAIN: None.  
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 projects and activities including new staff members; MAPA RFQ/RFPs transportation planning initiatives; Little Steps, Cleaner Air; Federal funding update; H2050 Housing & Development committee: Sherwood Regional Housing Study; and the 2021 Construction Season.
- b. Staff Update – Ms. Shawna Silvius provided an update to the Board on MAPA’s Broadband project.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.**

**F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)**

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

1. Finance Committee Minutes of the March 17, 2021 meeting.
2. Contract Amendment – ORBT Drone Photography (20METR02) Amendment #1 – Extension of Time to September 30, 2021

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

AYES: Anderson, Belt, Festersen, Hike, Rodgers, Vinton, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Resolution 2021 – 26: FY 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #4 – (Action)  
Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval Resolution 2021 – 26: FY 2021 TIP Amendment #4, which includes updates to projects for the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

MOTION by Warren, SECOND by Hike to approve Resolution 2021 – 26: FY 21 TIP Amendment #4.

AYES: Belt, Festersen, Hike, Kindig, Vinton, Rodgers, Stothert, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH OMAHA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION AND COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION (EDO) – (Action)

Mr. Youell presented to the Board for approval the MOU with county economic development organizations to receive EDA COVID-19 recovery assistance funding. The agreement between MAPA and the Greater Omaha Chamber was approved in December 2020 for \$199,800.

MOTION by Warren, SECOND by Walsh to approve the MOU with ODF and county EDOs.

AYES: Belt, Festersen, Hike, Kindig, Vinton, Rodgers, Stothert, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. FY 2022 Draft Work Program– (Action)  
Mr. Youell presented to the Board for approval the FY 2022 Draft UPWP and CDWP to go for 30-day public review and comment.
  - a. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
  - b. Community Development Work Program (CDWP)

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Walsh to approve the the FY 2022 Draft UPWP and CDWP to go for 30-day public review and comment.

AYES: Belt, Festersen, Hike, Kindig, Vinton, Rodgers, Stothert, Walsh, Warren

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION – None.

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Vinton adjourned the meeting at 2:31 p.m.