

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

July 25, 2024

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

A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Scott Belt	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
Patrick Bloomingdale	Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County
Roger Garcia	Douglas County Commissioner
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Douglas Kindig – Chair	NE Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mayor, City of La Vista)
Jacquelyn Morrison (rep. Mayor Jean Stothert)	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha (<i>Morrison arrived at 1:37 p.m.</i>)
Don Rowe	Omaha City Council
Matt Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs

Members/Officers Absent

Angi Burmeister	Sarpy County Commissioner
Carol Vinton – Vice Chair	IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors)

MAPA Staff

Court Barber	Christina Brownell	Sue Cutsforth	Matt Eash	Laura Heliman
Michael Helgerson	Elizabeth Zeller			

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the July 25, 2024 meeting agenda – (Action)

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Walsh to approve the agenda of the July 25, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the June 27, 2024 meeting – (Action)

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Walsh to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

D. AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS – (Information)

1. AGENCY REPORTS

a. Executive Director’s Report – Mr. Michael Helgerson

Mr. Helgerson provided an update to the Board on agency projects, activities and events including: staffing announcement - New Grants & Agreement Specialist Elise Emanuel has joined the MAPA team; MAPA awarded 2024 NADO Transportation Award for the following project: Blair South Bypass (BUILD Grant); “6 Regions One Nebraska” hosted by Governor Jim Pillen and Nebraska Department of Economic Development; recap of disaster funding resources for housing resilience planning and disaster recovery housing assistance; TSA visits Metro Transit; Thriving Communities Kickoff with MAPA, City of Omaha, NDOT and Spark CDI supported by WSP and Accelerator for America; US 34/75 Platte River Bridge Bicycle-Pedestrian Trail Ribbon cutting will be held on August 3rd; and ‘Save the Date’ for MAPA’s Council of Officials Annual Meeting will be held at Holiday Inn in Suites in Council Bluffs with Kevin Belle, Rails to Trails Conservancy, as featured speaker.

- b. MAPA Equity Assessment Update – Laura Heilman, Communications & Outreach Manager
Ms. Heliman presented to the Board the annual Equity Assessment update.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES of the July 17, 2024 meeting.

2. AMENDMENT TO MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING –

The Board considered for approval the Amendment to motion for agenda item H.6.b: FY 2024 Final Budget Revision and Final FY 2025 Budget; minutes have been updated to reflect additional language that was included in the motion regarding an adjustment to FTA-5305 funding for FY 2025.

3. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS

The Board considered for approval the Final Contract Payments.

- a. Council Bluffs Community Schools - ICOG 5-2-1-0 – \$1,206.44
- b. The 712 Initiative - ICOG 5-2-1-0 – \$6,000.00
- c. City of Council Bluffs - ICOG 5-2-1-0 – \$ 13,078.00
- d. Douglas Co. GIS - PMT #4 – \$2,772.77
- e. Verdis, LLC - CMAQ TDM – PMT #15 – \$5,850.00

4. TRAFFIC SAFETY PERFORMANCE UPDATE –

Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval the Regional Traffic Safety Annual Update, reporting MAPA progress towards PM1 safety targets.

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

AYES: Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. CONTRACT PAYMENT – Oracle America Inc (Netsuite) PMT #4 – \$12,687.30 – (ACTION)

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Rowe to approve the Contract Payment #4 for Oracle America (Netsuite).

AYES: Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

2. RESOLUTION 2025–01: FY 2024 – 2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #7– (ACTION)

The Board considered for approval Resolution 2025 –01: TIP Amendment #7, which includes changes to update revision thresholds to match NDOT STIP Guidelines & an Iowa DOT HSIP funding increase.

MOTION by Rowe, SECOND by Belt to approve Resolution 2025–01: TIP Amendment #7.

AYES: Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

3. MAPA STRATEGIC PLAN – (ACTION)

Ms. Heliman presented to the Board for approval the annual update to the FY 2024 – 2028 Strategic Plan.

MOTION by Morrison, SECOND by Walsh to approve annual update for the FY 2024-2028 Strategic Plan.

AYES :Belt, Garcia, Hike, Kindig, Morrison, Rowe, Walsh

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. BOARD MEMBERS ANNUAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE – (INFORMATION)

Each individual board member was asked to sign the annual conflict of interest disclosure.

I. DISCUSSION – None

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None

K. ADJOURNMENT – Board Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.