

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

August 22, 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
Angi Burmeister	Sarpy County Commissioner
Roger Garcia	Douglas County Commissioner
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Douglas Kindig – Chair	NE Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mayor, City of La Vista)
Don Rowe	Omaha City Council
Carol Vinton – Vice Chair	IA Small Communities/Counties Representative (Mills County Board of Supervisors)
Matt Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs

Members/Officers Absent

Jacquelyn Morrison (rep. Mayor Jean Stothert) Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha

MAPA Staff

Court Barber	James Boerner	Helen Corrigan	Sue Cutsforth	Matt Eash
Elise Emanuel	Laura Heliman	Carlos Morales	Michael Helgerson	Elizabeth Zeller

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the August 22, 2024 meeting agenda – (Action)

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Vinton to approve the agenda of the August 22, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the July 25, 2024 meeting – (Action)

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Burmeister

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 Update - Elise Emanuel, Grants and Agreements Specialist; 2024 NADO Excellence in Regional Transportation Awards in Greenville, SC - MAPA awarded for Blair South Bypass project; Congressman Bacon visit to MAPA and Metro in July; US 34 /75 Platte River Bridge Bicycle-Pedestrian Trail Ribbon Cutting held on August 3; ‘6 Regions, One Nebraska’ Metro Community College Region meeting update; Save the Date for MAPA’s Council of Officials Annual Meeting with Speaker Kevin Belle will be held on October 9th, 2024 in Council Bluffs, IA

b. Department Update: Transportation & Data – Carlos Morales

Mr. Morales provided an update to the Board of Transportation and Data projects that MAPA is working on including the Long Range Transportation Plan; Safe Streets for All (SS4A) project update; SS4A Community

Input Survey; Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant Updates; Western Sarpy Transportation Enhancement Plan; and Travel Demand Management.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES of the August 14, 2024 meeting.

2. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS

The Board considered for approval the Final Contract Payments.

- a. City of Council Bluffs - Traffic Counts - PMT #1 - \$5,551.00
- b. City of Omaha - Planning - PMT #4 - \$620.97
- c. Landis Evans - Omaha Bike/PEd Plan - PMT #26 - \$215.29
- d. Metro Transit - Pass-through PL - PMT #4 - \$27,178.33

3. FY 2024/2025 Budget

- a. Correct clerical errors on FY 24/25 Program Budget Tables. No net change.

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. RESOLUTION 2025–02: Transportation Management Area (TMA) Boundary Update– (ACTION)

The Board considered for approval Resolution 2025 –02: Update to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Transportation Management Area (TMA). The TMA establishes the area where MAPA provides transportation planning and administration for the MPO member jurisdictions.

MOTION by Vinton, SECOND by Belt to approve Resolution 2025–02: TMA Boundary Update.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. New Contracts / Agreements – (ACTION)

- a. FY 2025 Federal Planning Pass Through Agreement – METRO - \$89,121.00 Federal; \$38,194.00 Local Match , pending availability of Federal Funds (FY 2025 FTA Award)

MOTION by Vinton, SECOND by Rowe to approve FY 2025 Federal Planning Pass Through Agreement with motion to hold until we receive a letter of approval from FTA.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Purchase – (ACTION)

- a. Blackbaud Financial Edge NXT Accounting Software - 9/28/2024 – 9/27/2025 – \$10,559.48

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Burmeister to approve Blackbaud Financial Edge NXT Accounting Software.

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION – None.

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS –

1. 2024 Annual Awards – (Information)

Mr. Helgerson announced the 2024 Annual Award recipients: Mayor Cindy Grove, City of Valley was selected to receive the 2024 Regional Citizenship Award and Pottawattamie Conservation was selected to receive the 2024 Regional Service Award.

K. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None

J. ADJOURNMENT – Board Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:12 p.m.