

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

July 24, 2025

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 @ 1:31 p.m.

Patrick Bloomingdale @ 1:42 p.m.

Mike Friend

David Grauman

Rusty Hike

Douglas Kindig – Chair

Don Rowe

Matt Walsh – Vice Chair @ 1:31 p.m.

Angie Winquist

Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisor

Chief Administrative Officer, Douglas County *[non-voting]*

Douglas County Commissioner

Assistant City Attorney, City of Omaha Law *[non-voting]*

Mayor, City of Bellevue

Small Communities Representative - Mayor, City of La Vista NE

Councilman, Omaha City Council

Mayor, City of Council Bluffs

IA Small Communities Representative - Mayor, City of Glenwood

Members/Officers Absent

John Ewing Jr.

David Klug

Mayor, City of Omaha

Sarpy County Commissioner

MAPA Staff

Court Barber

Matt Eash

Elizabeth Zeller

Christina Brownell

Laura Heilman

Sue Cutsforth

Alex Johnson

Elise Emanuel

Carlos Morales

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the July 24, 2025 meeting agenda – (Action)

MOTION by Friend, SECOND by Hike to approve the agenda of the July 24, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the June 26, 2025 meeting – (Action)

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Belt to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

D. AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS – (Information)

1. AGENCY REPORTS

a. Staff Update – Carlos Morales, Transportation & Data Manager

Mr. Morales provided an update to the Board on the Transportation Department projects including TRIPS Funding & 2050 MTP Update, and introduced MAPA's new transportation planner, Alexander Johnson.

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

F. CONSENT AGENDA – (Action)

The following items were approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Directors.

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES of the July 16, 2025 meeting

2. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS – (ACTION)

- a. Eastern Nebraska Community Action Partnership (ENCAP) – 5310 - PMT #11 – \$755.27
- b. ONE Omaha – Community Outreach & Public Input Under SS4A – Final PMT – \$4,575.00

3. TRAVEL –

- a. NARC Executive Director's Conference – October 5-8, 2025 – Portland, ME - Mike Helgersen – \$2,338.14

MOTION by Rowe, SECOND by Winquist to approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. RESOLUTION 2026-01: FY2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #8 (ACTION)

Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval Resolution 2026–01: TIP Amendment #8 which included changes to a project in Nebraska and a series of regional planning efforts MAPA is assisting with.

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Walsh to approve Resolution 2026–01: TIP Amendment #8.

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. FY2026 BUDGET LINE ADJUSTMENT –(ACTION)

The Board considered for approval the FY 2026 Budget Line Adjustment.

- a. Salaries: Decrease \$22,000.00
- b. Office Expenses: Increase \$22,000.00

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Hike to approve FY 2026 Budget Line Adjustment

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS –

1. NEW CONTRACTS / AGREEMENTS– (ACTION)

The Board considered for approval the New Contracts and Agreements listed below.

- a. Professional Legal Services Agreement – Baird Holm - Engagement for Legal Services – \$1,000/mo fixed fee + hourly billing

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Hike to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Baird Holm for legal services.

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

- b. On-Call Master Services Agreements - Regional Planning Services - total dollar amount of all Task Orders (including Task Order supplements) issued under these five (5) Master Agreements will not exceed \$895,300. Typical Task Orders that will be awarded under these Agreements will range from \$10,000 to \$450,000. Consultants selected:
 - i. Benesch
 - ii. Felsburg, Holt and Ullevig
 - iii. HDR, Inc

- iv. Olsson
- v. WSP USA, Inc

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Winquist to approve the On-Call Master Services Agreement for Regional Planning Services with the consultants listed above.

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

- c. On-Call Professional Services - UK2413 - WSP USA, Inc. - Task Order #1 – Not to Exceed amount of \$50,000

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Walsh to approve agreement UK2413 - On-Call Professional Services with WSP USA, Inc. - Task Order #1.

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. PURCHASES– (ACTION)

The Board considered for approval the purchases listed below.

- a. Access Systems - Printer / Copier Lease - 60 mo. term – \$21,924.26 over 5 years
- b. 2025 Regional Economic Development Summit – \$14,612.48

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Rowe to approve the purchase for Access Systems and the 2025 Regional Economic Development Summit.

AYES : Belt, Friend, Hike, Kindig, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION – None.

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None

K. ADJOURNMENT – Board Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.