

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

December 11, 2025

The Board of Directors met at the MAPA offices, 2222 Cuming Street, Omaha. Chair Kindig called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

**A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**

Patrick Bloomingdale – Secretary/Treasurer	Chief Admin Officer, Douglas County [ <i>non-voting</i> ]
Mike Friend	Douglas County Commissioner
David Grauman	Assistant City Attorney, City of Omaha Law [ <i>non-voting</i> ]
Douglas Kindig	Mayor, City of LaVista
David Klug	Commissioner of Sarpy County
Jacquelyn Morrison	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha (rep. Mayor John Ewing)
Jim Ristow	City Administrator, City of Bellevue (rep. Mayor Rusty Hike)
Don Rowe	Councilmember, City of Omaha
Matt Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs
Angie Winquist	Mayor, City of Glennwood

**Members/Officers Absent**

Susan Miller	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
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**MAPA Staff**

Grant Anderson	Court Barber	Jim Boerner	Christina Brownell	Sue Cutsforth
Matt Eash	Elise Emanuel	Laura Heliman	Michael Helgerson	Carlos Morales
Elizabeth Zeller				

**MAPA Guest**

Roderick Brown, Transportation Inc.

**B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the December 11, 2025 meeting agenda – (Action)**

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Winquist to approve the agenda of the December 11, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the October 23, 2025 meeting – (Action)**

MOTION by Winquist, SECOND by Klug to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Friend, Kindig, Klug, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Morrison

MOTION CARRIED.

**D. AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS – (Information)**

**1. AGENCY REPORTS**

a. Executive Director's Report - Michael Helgerson

Mr. Helgerson provided an update to the Board on agency projects, activities and events including: Cookie and Cocoa with the Board; December Council of Officials and Regional Housing Symposium; MAPA's Regional Freight Plan Study; Transformative Regional Investment Prioritization System (TRIPS); US EPA Brownfields grant for City of Omaha and Omaha Inland Port Authority; Project Selection for MPO and RPA-18 Communities; new I-80 Interchange; Safety World Day of Remembrance that took place in November; MAPA in the news; MAPA

2027 Council of Officials Annual Membership Survey is now available. The 2025 Annual Reports and 2026 Wall Calendars are available to be picked up at the MAPA offices.

b. Staff Recognition:

- Laura Heilman, Communications & Outreach Manager – 5 Years
- Court Barber, Transportation Planner – 10 Years

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 December 3, 2025 meeting
2. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS
  - a. HDR Engineering Inc.- UK2504 - Travel Demand Modeling - PMT #6 – \$5,180.76
  - b. HDR Engineering Inc. - WE-STEP - PMT #24 – \$3,827.69
  - c. HDR Engineering Inc. - WE-STEP - PMT #25 – \$1,770.20

MOTION by Walsh SECOND by Klug to approve items F.1 and F.2 on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. TRAVEL

- a. Consortium for Scenario Planning 2026 Conference - Salt Lake City, UT - February 4 -6, 2026 - 3 Staff – \$4,925.37

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Winquist to approve Item F.3 on the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. RESOLUTION 2026-05: FY 2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #2 – (ACTION)  
Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval of Resolution 2026-05: FY 2026 TIP Amendment #2, which includes changes to projects sponsored by the cities of Bellevue and Omaha, and the addition of four local projects, a change to one local project, and other administrative updates.

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Rowe to approve the Resolution 2026-05: TIP Amendment #2.

AYES : Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. RESOLUTION 2026-06: FEDERAL FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION (FFC) MAP UPDATE  
Mr. Boerner presented to the Board for approval of Resolution 2026-06: FFC Map Update to include the 192nd St. - I-80 interchange project.

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Walsh to approve the Resolution 2026-06: Federal Functional Classification.

AYES : Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

3. DRAFT METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP) AMENDMENT #1 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval of Draft MTP Amendment 1 to go to a 25 day Public Comment Period.

MOTION by Klug SECOND by Rowe to approve the Draft MTP Amendment #1 Public Comment Period.

AYES : Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. CONTRACT AMENDMENT -

a. Council Bluffs Planning & Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study - Supplemental 001 – \$30,122.90

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Winquist to approve the Contract Amendment for the Council Bluffs PEL Study Supplemental 001.

AYES : Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

b. Planning Master Services Agreement Template Amendment

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Walsh to approve the Planning Master Service Agreement Template, pending legal review.

AYES : Friend, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Ristow, Rowe, Walsh, Winquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS – (ACTION)

1. RESOLUTION 2026-07: FINAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS) –

Mr. Anderson presented to the Board for approval of Resolution 2026-07: Final Comprehensive Development Strategy (CEDS).

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Winquist to approve the Resolution 2026-07: Final Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. NEW CONTRACTS –

a. WSP USA, Inc. – Task Order - Douglas County Trail Plan Update – \$196,820.39

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Rowe to approve the new contract listed above.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION – None

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None.

K. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:13 p.m.