

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

October 23, 2025

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

A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Scott Belt	Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisor
Patrick Bloomingdale	Chief Administrative 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>
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
David Klug	Commissioner of Sarpy County
Don Rowe	Councilmember, City of Omaha
Matt Walsh	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs
Angie Winquist	Mayor, City of Glennwood

Members/Officers Absent

Douglas Kindig	Mayor, City of LaVista
John Ewing	Mayor, City of Omaha

MAPA Staff

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

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the October 23, 2025 meeting agenda – (Action)

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

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the September 25, 2025 meeting – (Action)

MOTION by Winquist, SECOND by Klug to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

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: MAPA Annual Dinner at Northern Lights in Fort Calhoun, NE; the new I-80 Interchange in Sarpy County; MAPA Staff Retreat at the Kiewit Luminarium; MAPA in the News; ; MAPA 2026 calendar arrival; 2026 MAPA Learning Site Visit applications are open.

b. Staff Report – Finance Department Update

Mr. Eash provided an update to the Board on the Finance Department staff efforts and projects. Update includes staffing update; department changes and improvements, Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software progress and the strategic goals of the Finance Department to assist the work of MAPA.

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 October 25, 2025 meeting

2. NATIONAL COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH PROCLAMATION

3. TRAVEL

a. National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) National Conference - Up to 2 Staff and 4 MAPA Officials - February 1 - 4, 2026, Washington, D.C. – \$14,045.82

4. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS

a. Community Scale LLC - Regional Market Value Analysis - PMT #9 – \$25,979.00
b. WSP USA Inc. – SS4A Comprehensive Safety Action Plan - PMT #15 & PMT #16 (Final Work and OH Adj) - \$20,677.38

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. RESOLUTION 2026 –04: FY 2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #1 – (ACTION)

Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval of Resolution 2026 – 04: FY 2026 TIP Amendment # 1, which includes changes to projects sponsored by NDOT, Douglas County, Sarpy County, the City of Papillion, City of Council Bluffs, the City of Gretna, the PMRNRD, and the City of Omaha

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Klug to approve the Resolution 2026–04: TIP Amendment #1.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS –

1. MAPA PROJECT SELECTION – (ACTION)

a. Call for Projects for the following funding programs: , Heartland 2050 Mini-Grant, Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)

MOTION by Belt, SECOND by Winquist to approve the Call for Projects for the funding programs 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 – Vice Chair Walsh adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.