

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

February 26, 2026

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

A. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Mike Friend	Commissioner, Douglas County Board of Commissioners
Douglas Kindig	NE Small Communities Rep; Mayor, City of LaVista
David Klug	Commissioner, Sarpy County Board of Commissioners
Rusty Hike	Mayor, City of Bellevue
Don Rowe	Councilmember, City of Omaha
Brian Shea	Supervisor, Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors
Jill Shudak	Mayor, City of Council Bluffs
Keith Station	Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Omaha (<i>rep. Mayor John Ewing</i>)
Angie Winqvist	IA Small Communities Rep; Mayor, City of Glenwood

Members/Officers Absent

Patrick Bloomingdale – Secretary/Treasurer	Chief Admin Officer, Douglas County [<i>non-voting</i>]
David Grauman	Assistant City Attorney, City of Omaha Law [<i>non-voting</i>]

Guest

Darren Osten	Eide Bailly
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MAPA Staff

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

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA of the February 26, 2026 meeting agenda – (Action)

MOTION by Winqvist, SECOND by Friend to approve the agenda of the February 26, 2026 meeting of the Board of Directors with an edit to move the reporting of Item H1 FY 2025 Audit report above the Approval of January 22, 2026 Board Minutes.

AYES: Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H.1 FY 2025 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS-

Darren Osten with Eide Bailly, LLP presented to the Board for approval the FY 2025 Audited Financial Statements.

MOTION by Hike, SECOND by Klug to approve the FY 2025 Audited Financial Statements.

AYES: Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES of the January 22, 2026 meeting – (Action)

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Winqvist to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2026 meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES: Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

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: a recap of the National Conference of Regions in Washington, D.C.; Save the Date for the upcoming NARC Annual Conference of Regions in Tulsa, Ok. in June 2026; Legislative Updates for Iowa & Nebraska; update on NEPA Assumption and Nebraska DOT; MAPA in the News; Opportunity Zones - State Context, Oz Designation Process and MAPA Coordination.
- b. FY 2027 Annual Member Survey & Work Program Priorities
Mr. Helgerson updated the Board with the Annual Member survey responses and community member feedback including: MAPA Affordable & Workforce Housing, Trails, Active Mobility & Recreation Infrastructure, Infrastructure Funding, Downtown Revitalization & Placemaking, Economic Development & Job Creation & Sustainability & Solid Waste Management.

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 February 18, 2026 meeting
2. FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENTS
 - a. Douglas County GIS - PMT #2 - \$21,947.00
 - b. Pottawattamie County GIS - PMT #2 - \$25,271.19

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

AYES: Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winkquist

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

G. OLD BUSINESS –

1. RESOLUTION 2026 – 12: FY 2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT #4 – (ACTION)
Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval of Resolution 2026 – 12, FY 2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #4; which included updates to the FTA Section 5310 Program.

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Shudak to approve the Resolution 2026–12: TIP Amendment #4.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winkquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. RESOLUTION 2026–13: STATEWIDE URBAN DESIGN AND SPECIFICATIONS (SUDAS) BOARD APPOINTMENT – (ACTION)
Mr. Barber presented to the Board for approval Resolution 2026-13: the appointment of Matt Cox from the City of Council Bluffs to Iowa's SUDAS Board.

MOTION by Shea, SECOND by Klug to approve the Resolution 2026–13: the appointment of Matt Cox from the City of Council Bluffs to Iowa's SUDAS Board.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winkquist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

H. NEW BUSINESS – (ACTION)

1. PURCHASES

The Board voted for approval of the purchase listed below.

- a. StreetLight Data Inc. - 15 month contract for subscription to access/use data products – \$203,203.10

MOTION by Klug, SECOND by Shudak to approve the Purchase of Streetlight Data Inc listed above.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

- b. Learning Site Visit – Detroit, MI – 20 travelers (including 5 MAPA Staff) - May 2026 – \$43,840

MOTION by Shea, SECOND by Winqvist to approve the Purchase of Learning Site Visit listed above.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

- c. MAPA Office Planning Project – \$52,176.32

- i. Encompas / AIS - Private office + workstation reconfigurations + hoteling stations
- ii. Kidwell - Electrical
- iii. Waldinger - HVAC
- iv. Private Office Furniture

Mr. Eash, Finance Director recommended an increase to the request to \$58,000 to allow for any overages in cost that may come up to avoid any further delay should cost increase during the project implementation.

MOTION by Winqvist, SECOND by Shudak to approve the Purchase of MAPA Office Planning Project for up to \$58,000.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea, Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

2. NEW CONTRACTS / GRANTS / TASK ORDERS –

Mr. Morales presented to the Board for approval the contract listed below:

- a. Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU) - Bennington Trail & Parks Plan - \$85,000

MOTION by Shea, SECOND by Klug to approve Felsburg, Holt & Ullevig (FHU) - Bennington Trail & Parks Plan.

AYES : Friend, Hike, Kindig, Klug, Morrison, Rowe, Shea Shudak, Station, Winqvist

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

I. DISCUSSION – National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Annual Conference of Regions – June 7-9, 2026 - Tulsa, OK – (INFORMATION)

Mr. Helgerson reminded the Board that the upcoming NARC Annual Conference will be held in Tulsa, OK in June 7-9, 2026. MAPA staff will begin planning for this and plan to bring this to the Board in March for approval. Staff requested that Board members consider if they would like to attend so that the team can begin planning for this trip.

J. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS – None.

K. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Kindig adjourned the meeting at 2:39 p.m.