

Agenda Item 1c, Attachment 1

**571st Policy Board Meeting
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments
Thursday, November 21, 2019 – 4:00 pm
Metro COG Conference Room**

Members Present:

David	Fenelon	Horace City Council
Chuck	Hendrickson	Moorhead City Council
Nicole	Mattson	Moorhead Planning Commission (alt for Mayor Judd)
Jenny	Mongeau	Clay County Commission
Brad	Olson	West Fargo City Commission
Chad	Olson	City of Dilworth (alternate for Steve Jesme)
Scott	Stofferahn	Fargo Planning Commission (alt for John Gunkelman)
Maranda	Tasa	Fargo Planning Commission
Sara	Watson Curry	Moorhead City
Larry	Weil	City of West Fargo (alt for Eric Gjerdevig)

Members Absent:

Duane	Breitling	Cass County Commission
Tony	Gehrig	Fargo City Commission
Eric	Gjerdevig	West Fargo City Commission
Tony	Grindberg	Fargo City Commission
John	Gunkelman	Fargo Planning Commission
Steve	Jesme	Dilworth City Council
Johnathan	Judd	Moorhead City Council
Brad	Olson	West Fargo City Commission
Rocky	Schneider	Fargo Planning Commission
John	Strand	Fargo City Commission

Others Present:

Adam	Altenburg	Metro COG
Luke	Champa	Metro COG
Dan	Farnsworth	Metro COG
Cindy	Gray	Metro COG
Brenton	Holper	City of Horace Administrator
Savanna	Leach	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG
Anna	Pierce	Metro COG
Ahmed	Shil	United Way
Bob	Walton	NDDOT – Fargo District

1a. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER, WELCOME, AND INTRODUCTIONS, convened

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m., on November 21, by Chair Mongeau, noting a quorum was present. Introductions were made.

1b. Approve Order and Contents of Overall Agenda, approved

Chair Mongeau asked for approval for the overall agenda.

MOTION: Approve the contents of the Overall Agenda of the November 21, 019 Policy Board Meeting.

Ms. Watson Curry moved, seconded by Mr. Stofferahn

MOTION, passed. 9-0

Motion carried unanimously.

1c. Past Meeting Minutes, approved

Chair Mongeau asked for approval of the Minutes of the October 17, 2019 Meeting.

Ms. Watson Curry noted that she was not included in the minutes, but was in attendance.

MOTION: Approve the October 17, 2019 Policy Board Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Watson Curry moved, seconded by Mr. Weil

MOTION, passed. 9-0

Motion carried unanimously.

1d. Monthly Bills, approved

Chair Mongeau asked for approval of the November 2019 Bills as listed on Attachment 1d.

MOTION: Approve the November 2019 Bills List.

Mr. Stofferahn moved, seconded by Mr. Weil

MOTION, passed. 9-0

Motion carried unanimously.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Mongeau asked for approval of Items a-c on the Consent Agenda.

- a. October Month End Report
- b. 2020-2023 TIP Amendment #1
- c. 3rd Quarter Report

MOTION: Approve Items a-c on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Stofferahn moved, seconded by Ms. Tasa

MOTION, passed. 9-0

Motion carried unanimously.

3. REGULAR AGENDA

3a. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were made or received.

***Mr. Hendrickson joined the meeting at 4:13p.m.**

3b. Metro GROW – 2045 MTP

Mr. Maddox presented the draft Metro GROW: 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. He reminded the board that all seven local jurisdictions already approved and signed resolutions of approval of the final draft plan. Mr. Maddox noted that it is still a final draft, and not the final document as it still needs final approval from MnDOT, NDDOT, and FHWA.

Ms. Mattson asked that the board be informed of the final changes from MnDOT, NDDOT, and FHWA.

**MOTION: Approve the Metro GROW: 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
Mr. Stofferahn moved, seconded by Mr. Fenelon.
MOTION, passed. 10-0
Motion carried unanimously.**

3c. MATBUS 2021-2025 Transit Development Plan Request for Proposals

Mr. Maddox presented the MATBUS 2021-2025 Transit Development (TDM) Plan Request for Proposals (RFP). Mr. Maddox noted that the Transit partners at MATBUS, and the TTC both approved of this RFP draft. The CPG funds allotted for this project is \$200,000, with the local share split between Fargo and Moorhead.

Mr. Hendrickson asked if the RFP and final document will be on public display once released. Mr. Maddox assured the board that he included a robust public participation plan into the scope of work.

Ms. Watson Curry mentioned that she sits on the MAT Coordinating Board, and noted that the vehicle fare boxes will be updated, and asked if that is being considered in the scope of the TDP. Mr. Maddox said that the purchased is already programmed into the TIP, and will be taken into account in the final TDP document.

**MOTION: Approve the Transit Development Plan Request for Proposals and
authorization of subsequent release.
Ms. Watson Curry moved, seconded by Mr. Weil.
MOTION, passed. 10-0
Motion carried unanimously.**

3d. Title VI – Audit Follow-up and Survey

Ms. Pierce provided a follow-up to the NDDOT Title VI audit, and described the steps Metro COG is taking to correct and improve the recommendations and corrective actions identified in the audit. A Title VI Report is released by Metro COG annually.

3e. North Dakota and Minnesota Project Solicitation Opportunities and Timeframes

Luke Champa presented information on the following project solicitations:

ND – Urban Grant Program FY2022 NDDOT Solicitation – transportation infrastructure within core business districts, for multi-modal opportunities. Due date: Monday, December 30, 2019

ND – Urban Roads Program FY2024 – Highway funding opportunities. Due Date: Friday, December 20, 2019

Mr. Farnsworth presented information on the following Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) solicitations:

MN – federal funding up to \$600,000 for bicycle/pedestrian-related projects. Due Date: January 3, 2019

ND – federal funding up to \$850,000 for bicycle/pedestrian-related projects. Due Date: December 5th

3f. History of 17th Street North Moorhead

Mr. Champa presented information on the 17th Street North corridor in Moorhead, MN.

3g. All-Aboard MN – Follow-up

Ms. Pierce presented a follow-up to the MN All-Aboard passenger train initiative. She noted that there was a lot of positive feedback, and a lot of representatives from both Minnesota and North Dakota. The initiative is hoping for a bond referendum to pass to fund the passenger train, which an environmental impact will need to be studied before it can be approved.

4. Additional Business

Chair Mongeau brought up a monetary CD that Metro COG has is up for renewal. The Executive Committee asked Ms. Gray to look at other options, including Money Market savings accounts with higher interest rates.

5. Adjourn

The 571st Meeting of the FM Metro COG Policy Board held Thursday, November 21, 2019 was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

THE NEXT FM METRO COG POLICY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD December 19, 2019, 4:30 P.M. AT THE FM METRO COG CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE NORTH 2ND STREET, CASE PLAZA SUITE 232, FARGO, ND.

Respectfully Submitted,

Savanna Leach
Executive Assistant