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582nd Transportation Technical Committee
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments
Thursday, November 12, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room
AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approve the Agenda — Action Item
3. Approve Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2026 — Action Item
4. Public Input Opportunity — Public Input
5. 2027-2030 TIP Revision #1 — **Action Item**
6. 2055 Streets & Highways Modal Plan Consultant Selection — **Action Item**
7. 2027 Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan Consultant Selection — **Action Item**
8. Amendment #1 to ATAC-Moorhead Contract Addendum — **Action Item**
9. Agency Updates — Discussion Item
    a. City of Fargo
    b. City of Moorhead
    c. City of West Fargo
    d. City of Dilworth
    e. City of Horace
    f. Cass County
    g. Clay County
    h. MATBUS
    i. Others
10. Additional Business — Information Item
11. Adjourn

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https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84458148124?pwd=aokSa30liSgFmdJ00t7ZEwZq38laYe.1

REMINDER: The next TTC meeting will be held **Thursday, December 10, 2026** at 10:00 AM.

Bolded Action Items require roll call votes.

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581st Meeting of the FM Metro COG Transportation Technical Committee
Thursday, October 8, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room

Members Present:

Paul	Bervik	West Fargo Engineering
James	Dahlman	City of Horace – Consulting Engineer
Maegin	Elshaug	City of Fargo Planning (Alt. for Nicole Crutchfield)
Jeremy	Gorden	City of Fargo Engineering (Left at 10:30)
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Luke	Grittner	MATBUS
Will	Hutchings	NDDOT – Local Government Division
Ethan	Lehmann	Cass County Planning
Kyle	Litchy	Cass County Highway
Don	Lorsung	City of Dilworth Community Development
Aaron	Nelson	West Fargo Planning
Joey	Ness	GFMEDC (Alt. for Joe Raso)
Mary	Safgren	MnDOT – West Central District 4 Planning Director
Forrest	Steinhoff	Moorhead Planning (Alt. for Robin Huston)
Georges	Tippens	MSUM
Tom	Trowbridge	Moorhead Engineering

Members Absent:

Nicole	Crutchfield	City of Fargo Planning (Alt. present)
Robin	Huston	Moorhead Planning (Alt. present)
Matthew	Jacobson	Clay County Planning
Kelly	Krapu	Freight
Joe	Raso	GFMEDC (Alt. present)
Jordan	Smith	MATBUS
Justin	Sorum	Clay County Engineering
Brit	Stevens	NDSU – Transportation Manager

Others Present:

Angela	Brumbaugh	Metro COG
Dan	Farnsworth	Metro COG
Zhang	Linghao	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG
Dan	Bergerson	HDR
Rose	Bruce-White	MnDOT – West Central District 4
Dylan	Dunn	Moore Engineering
Brent	Muscha	Apex
Max	Olson	Bolton & Menk
Dena	Ryan	MNDOT – Central Office
Kristen	Sperry	FHWA-ND
Jordan	Woroniecki	WSB

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1. **Call to Order and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM, on October 8, 2026 by Chair Griffith. A quorum was present.

2. **Approve the 581st TTC Meeting Agenda**

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the October 8, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Approve the October 8, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.
Mr. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Steinhoff
MOTION, PASSED.
Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Approve September 10, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes**

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the September 10, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Approve the September 10, 2026 TTC Minutes.
Mr. Lorsung moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchings
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Public Comment Opportunity**

No public comments were received or provided.

5. **West Perimeter Roadway Study – Final Report**

Mr. Maddox presented information on the West Perimeter Roadway Study. North-South routes serve local access more than regional. Interstate 29 is the only high-speed north-south corridor.

Upon completion of the study, it was concluded that the north-south mobility is necessitated by regional growth, preservation and coordination are key going forward, and incremental implementation as growth and funding warrant.

There was a general discussion amongst the attendees about possible alternative County Roadway alignments and whether presentations were needed for local jurisdictions.

Motion: Recommendation of approval of the final report of the West Metro Perimeter Roadway Study, pending any comments from Horace
Mr. Litchy moved, seconded by Mr. Dahlman
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.

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6. Agency Updates

a. City of Fargo Engineering – left prior to update

b. City of Fargo Planning – nothing to report

c. City of Moorhead Engineering – Official ribbon-cutting next week for the underpass

d. City of Moorhead Planning – nothing to report

e. City of West Fargo Engineering – nothing to report

f. City of West Fargo Planning – Hired a new planner, Nathaniel McHaffie

g. City of Dilworth – New administrator has started, submitted a letter of intent for Safe Routes to School sidewalk funding

h. City of Horace Planning – Final walk-through on shared use path on CR 17, preparing for Comp Plan RFP

i. Cass County Highway – Set to bid Hwy 81 shared use path on November 20th

j. Cass County Planning – nothing to report

k. Clay County Engineering – absent

l. Clay County Planning – nothing to report

m. MATBUS – left prior to update

n. GFMEDC – nothing to report

o. MSUM – nothing to report

p. NDSU – absent

q. MnDOT District 4 – Transportation Alternative workshop tomorrow, also available online.

r. MnDOT Central Office – no update

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s. NDDOT Central Office – the STIP and will be submitted to FHWA the end of this month

t. FHWA/FTA – Working with Scott Mareck and Ranae Tunison on Metro COG's TMA certification review. Letter drafted to Policy Chair. Looking at processes with the certification review to be completed in June 2027

7. Additional Business

Chair Griffith sent out information from NDDOT seeking any improvements needed for railroad crossings. Submit directly to NDDOT before December 31 and please copy Metro COG. NDDOT HSIP solicitations need to be submitted to Metro COG by Friday November 20th so they can be scheduled for December meetings. Modal Plan proposals are due Monday October 12th and Bike and Pedestrian Plan proposals are due Wednesday October 21st. Interviews will be scheduled soon.

8. Adjourn

The 581st Regular Meeting of the TTC was adjourned on October 8, 2026 at 10:43 AM

Mr. Litchy moved to Adjourn; Mr. Nelson seconded
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.

THE NEXT FM METRO COG TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD November 12, 2026 AT 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager

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To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Adam Altenburg and Linghao Zhang, Metro COG
Date: November 6, 2026
Re: **2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revision 1**

The Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments (Metro COG) will hold a public meeting, both in person and virtually, on Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 2:00 PM, to receive public comments on a proposed revision to the 2027–2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Fargo-Moorhead metropolitan area.

The proposed revision to the 2027–2030 TIP includes the following amendment:

1. **Modification of Project 4250014:** City of Fargo reconstruction of 1st Avenue N from 10th Street to 3rd Street N (2028). Addition of Urban Grant Program (UGP) funding to the existing Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)-funded project.

See **Attachment 1** for more detailed project information.

Requested Action: Pending public comments, recommend Policy Board approval of Revision 1 to Metro COG's 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Lead Agency	Metro COG ID	State Number	Project Year	Project Location	Length	Project Limits From	Project Limits To	Project Description	Improvement Type	PE/RW/UTIL	CON/CE	Total Project Cost	Federal Revenue Source	Federal Revenue	State Revenue	Local Revenue	Other Revenue
Revision 1 - 2027-2030 Metro COG TIP Existing projects with changes																	
City of Fargo	4250014	24431	2028	1st Avenue N	0.5	10th Street N	3rd Street N	Reconstruction of 1st Avenue N	Reconstruction		~~$23,434,324~~ $25,645,920	~~$23,434,324~~ $25,645,920	STBG, UGP	~~$10,693,894~~ $12,484,434		~~$12,740,430~~ $13,161,486	

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To: Transportation Technical Committee (TTC)
From: Michael Maddox, AICP
Date: November 5, 2026
Re: **2055 Streets and Highways Modal Plan – Consultant Selection**

Metro COG received three proposals to the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the 2055 Streets and Highways Modal Plan. Proposals were submitted by the following consulting firms: HDR, WSB, and KLJ. All proposals received were submitted by the October 12, 2026, 4:30pm deadline. There were no submittals after the deadline.

The consultant selection panel met to interview and rank all three consulting teams. The interviews took place on October 29, 2026. The selection panel consisted of the following:

- Michael Maddox, Metro COG
- Jeremy Gorden, City of Fargo
- Tom Trowbrige, City of Moorhead
- Paul Bervik, City of West Fargo
- Ben Griffith, Metro COG

A total of one hour was allocated to each consultant for the presentation and questions from the selection panel. Each consultant was asked to limit presentations to no more than 45 minutes with the remaining 15 minutes being reserved for a question-and-answer session.

Based on evaluations of each candidate by the selection panel and the resulting rankings, KLJ was unanimously chosen as the preferred consultant firm to complete the 2055 Streets and Highways Modal Plan.

Requested Action: Recommendation of approval to the Policy Board of the selection of KLJ to complete the 2055 Streets and Highways Modal Plan and the authorization to allow the Metro COG Executive Director to enter into a contract for services to that end.

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To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Dan Farnsworth, Metro COG
Date: November 6, 2026
Re: **2027 Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan Consultant Selection**

In September, the Metro COG Policy Board approved the request for proposals (RFP) for the 2027 Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan. This project has a total budgeted amount of $200,000 ($160,000 funded using Federal CPG funds and $40,000 from local matches).

The deadline for consulting firms to submit proposals was October 21st. Metro COG received proposals from four firms – Bolton & Menk, HDR, SRF, and Toole.

Metro COG and the consultant selection panel met on Thursday, November 5th to interview the firms and select the top ranked firm. The selection panel consisted of one Metro COG staff members, staff members from the cities of Fargo, Moorhead, West Fargo, and one of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee's citizen representatives.

Upon interviews with the four consultant teams, Bolton & Menk was the top-ranked firm. The Bolton & Menk team includes the subconsultant Mend. Bolton & Menk's cost proposal came in at $199,978.38, which is within the budgeted amount.

Requested Action: Recommend Policy Board approval of Bolton & Menk as the top ranked firm to complete the 2027 Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan and to authorize Metro COG to enter into a contract after successful contract negotiations.

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To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Ben Griffith, AICP, Executive Director
Date: November 4, 2026
Re: **Amendment 1 to ATAC-Moorhead Contract Addendum**

City of Moorhead Engineering staff have proposed adding 10 additional intersections to Year 3 of the current 3-year Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Support Contract Addendum to Metro COG's Master Agreement with ATAC.

Adding the 10 additional intersections to the third year (2027) of the current addendum is estimated to cost an additional $18,275 to the $16,490 base amount for Year 3 and has been programmed in Metro COG's approved 2027-2028 UPWP. The City of Moorhead has indicated that they have budgeted for the increase in the required local match in 2027. A DRAFT copy of Amendment 1 is included with this memo for your reference.

The next 3-year Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Contract Addendum for the 2028-2030 time period, will include the 10 additional intersections added in 2027. The total number of intersections will then be divided by 3 so that each year ⅓ of Moorhead's intersections will be updated throughout the 3-year contract period. This will increase the cost for each of the 3 years of the new, 2028-2030 addendum, which is to be determined at that time.

Requested Action: Recommendation of approval to the Policy Board of Amendment 1 of the Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Contract Addendum with ATAC.

North Dakota MPO Planning Support Program Master Agreement

Amendment 1 to Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Support for the City of Moorhead, Fargo Moorhead Metro COG Addendum to the Master Agreement

Upon execution by the parties below, this Amendment to the Addendum and any attachments shall become attached to and incorporated into the *'North Dakota MPO Planning Support Program Master Agreement'* between 'Fargo Moorhead Metro COG' and North Dakota State University. The original budget will increase as noted below.

1. *Project Title*: **Amendment 1 to Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Support for the City of Moorhead**

2. *Effective Dates*: **January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027**

3. *Statement of Work*: ATAC will setup up to a total of 10 City of Moorhead and MnDOT District 4 signalized intersections for traffic data collection, related API updates, and check feasibility of Miovision API scripting.

4. *Principal Investigator*: Kshitij Sharma

5. *Desired Deliverables*:
   1. Up to 10 new signalized intersections from City of Moorhead and MnDOT District 4 setup for turning movement count traffic data collection and analysis on the Traffic Analysis Tool website.
   2. Updated API VISION and Miovision script(s)

6. *Contract Amount:*
   This Amendment provides an additional **$18,275**.
   The total contract amount under the Addendum is increased from $49,474 to $67,749.

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SOURCE(S) of FUNDING

- Federal Source: $_____

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CFDA # Federal Award Date Federal Award Identification Number

- Federal Source: $_____

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- State: $_____

- Other: $_____

AUTHORIZATION:

Fargo Moorhead Metro COG

_____
Authorized Signature Date

Ben Griffith
Executive Director_____
Name and Title

North Dakota State University

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Authorized Signature Date

Shelly Sandstrom
Award & Proposal Officer_____
Name and Title

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BUDGET:

Project Title: Amendment 1 to Turning Movement Counts and Traffic Signal Timing Optimization Support for the City of Moorhead

Cost Item	Amount
Staff Salaries	$ 5,382
Benefits	$ 2,207
Grad Student Salaries	$ 1,861
Undergrad Student Salaries	$ 3,066
Benefits	$ 246
Operating	$ -
Total direct costs	$ 12,762
NDSU overhead (43.2%)	$ 5,513
Total project cost (Estimate ONLY)	**$ 18,275**