

Metropolitan Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Wednesday, April 1, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting – Virtual & In-person
In-person: Metro COG Conference Room
Virtual: link provided below
AGENDA

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Approve minutes from January 7th, 2026 meeting - **Attachment** Action Item
3. Public input opportunity Public Input
4. Disruptions to FM Trailbuilders trail near future Bluestem bridge Discussion Item
5. NDDOT's Historic Bridge Adoption Program – **Attachment** Information Item
6. Request for shared use path connecting Oxbow to Fargo Information Item
7. Printed Fargo-Moorhead area bike maps - **Attachment** Discussion Item
8. Agency updates Information Item
9. Other business

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131st Metropolitan Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee Meeting
January 7th, 2026 – 3:00pm
Hybrid Meeting – Virtual / In-person (Metro COG Conference Room)

Members Present

Dan Farnsworth, Chair, Metro COG
Peyton Mastera, City of Dilworth
Robert Gunderson, Fargo Park District
Jeremy Gorden, Fargo Engineering
Maegin Elshaug, Fargo Planning
Forrest Steinhoff, Moorhead Planning
Terry Steen, Citizen Representative
Jason Pike, Citizen Representative
Cole Hansen, Cass County Planning
Tom Trowbridge, Moorhead Engineering
Matt Jacobson, Clay County Planning
Paul Bervik, West Fargo Engineering
Steve Iverson, West Fargo Planning
Derek Boman, Moorhead Parks
Nathaniel Mchaffie, City of Horace
Rosemary Bruce-White, MnDOT District 4
Patrick Hollister, PartnerSHIP 4 Health

Others Present:

Ben Griffith, Metro COG
Aiden Jung, Metro COG
Hunni Bragonier, Bolton & Menk
Jack Butler, West Central Initiative

1. Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began at 3:00 pm. Both virtual and in-person attendees introduced themselves.

2. Minutes from September 24th, 2025 meeting

A motion to approve the September 24th minutes was made by C. Hansen and seconded by F. Steinhoff. P. Hollister abstained from voting since he wasn't present at the September meeting. The minutes passed unanimously with no edits.

3. Follow-up from December email voting item

D. Farnsworth followed up with the Committee regarding an email vote that was held in December seeking Committee approval of Jason Pike as the new Committee citizen

representative. The email vote passed unanimously. Therefore, Jason Pike will be the new citizen representative with a term beginning Jan 1, 2026 and ending Dec 31, 2027.

4. Public input opportunity

A public input opportunity was given to any members of the public wishing to make comments. No public provided comments during the public input opportunity.

5. Review & scoring of TA applications

An overview of the three submitted TA (Transportation Alternatives) grant applications was given prior to reviewing the scoring of the applications. The preliminary scoring, which Metro COG completed prior to the meeting, was then reviewed by the Committee. After reviewing the scoring for the applications, the Committee concurred with the scoring as presented. The scoring for the three projects was approved as the following:

- City of Fargo – 13th Ave Shared Use Path from 34th St to 38th St – 35 pts
- City of Fargo – Low Level Drain 53 Crossing – 25 pts
- City of West Fargo – 32nd Ave RRFB and Pedestrian Refuge Island – 37.5 pts

A motion to approve the scoring of the projects as presented was made by J. Gorden and seconded by P. Bervik. The motion was passed unanimously.

6. Past plans – implementation tracking

D. Farnsworth presented the updated table showing the status of bike/ped project recommendations from past planning studies. Metro COG has been working on this table since March 2025 when the Bike/Ped Committee suggested such an effort.

Updates to the table since the last meeting included: Modifying the color scheme from red through green to purple through green (as requested by the Committee); and updating the status of recommendations from the Moorhead SRTS Plan, the Fargo SRTS Plan, and the FM Diversion Greenway Plan.

Metro COG will continue to keep this table up to date as additional projects are implemented. As suggested by P. Bervik, Metro COG will plan to present this table to the Bike/Ped Committee annually around October. This would be good timing for jurisdictions as they prepare for the next TA grant solicitations.

7. Fargo-Moorhead Online Bike Map update

Metro COG presented the new online bike map to the Committee. This map replaces the previous Fargo-Moorhead Bike Map App which has been discontinued due to failures by the app developer.

The new online bike map has been developed in-house by Metro COG and is compatible for both smartphones and computers.

The online map shows the same information as the old app, which includes shared use paths, on-street bikeways, mountain bike trailheads, bike repair stations, and more. The map also shows a user's location if desired.

Metro COG is currently doing a soft launch of this map with plans for a larger main launch in the spring of 2026. Metro COG hopes to have paper bike maps printed for the public in time for the main launch.

J. Pike, a member of FM Trailbuilders, suggested the map include the Horn Park mountain bike trailhead. D. Farnsworth noted that FM Trailbuilders requested that this not be shown on the maps several years ago (perhaps because it was not ready for the public at the time or because it was too technical for the general public). J. Pike will follow up with members of FM Trailbuilders to see if they would like to now show the Horn Park mountain bike trailhead on the map.

J. Pike also asked if it might be possible to show the mountain bike trail alignments on the map. A. Jung said it might be possible to show the alignments if the right file format is available for the alignments.

8. Agency updates

D. Farnsworth asked if there are any bicycle/pedestrian-related updates from jurisdictions in the meeting. The updates were the following:

- City of Fargo – Fargo continues to add bike/ped infrastructure in south Fargo as the city grows in that area.
- City of Moorhead – Moorhead is working with the City of Fargo on the Bluestem pedestrian bridge with is planned for construction in 2027. Moorhead is also making bicycle/pedestrian connections in the downtown area as part of the 11th St underpass project.
- City of West Fargo – West Fargo will be installing shared use paths along 9th St NE and 7th Ave NE as part of reconstruction projects along those corridors.
- FM Trailbuilders – J. Pike informed the Committee that FM Trailbuilders is working with West Fargo Parks to implement a mountain bike trail in Armour Park in West Fargo. This would be the first mountain bike trail in West Fargo.

9. Other business

There was no other additional business. The meeting was adjourned around 3:45 pm.

To: Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee
From: Dan Farnsworth
Date: March 27, 2026
Re: **NDDOT Historic Bridge Adoption Program**

Metro COG staff recently became aware of NDDOT's Historic Bridge Adoption program. This program allows agencies, businesses, etc. to adopt historic bridges when they are slated for removal in North Dakota. The bridge is then transported to the location intended for its future use. NDDOT typically covers the cost of bridge relocation while the applicant covers the cost of site prep, permitting, etc.

Metro COG is mentioning this to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee since historic bridges can be good candidates for pedestrian infrastructure. Local jurisdictions can keep this in mind as a cost-saving alternative for future pedestrian crossings.

While there currently isn't a webpage or email sign-up list for this program, advertising for bridge adoptions occurs in newspapers near the historic bridge location. Metro COG will try and get the word out if any bridges come up for adoption. The NDDOT contact for this program is Jesse Kadrmas (jkadrmas@nd.gov).

To: Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee
From: Dan Farnsworth
Date: March 27, 2026
Re: **Printed Fargo-Moorhead Bike Maps**

Metro COG is in the process of printing Fargo-Moorhead Area bike maps. This will be the first time Metro COG has printed and distributed bike maps since 2018. The printing of bike maps ended in 2018 when Metro COG switched to an online bike map app.

Since discontinuing production of the printed bike maps, Metro COG has received repeated requests for printed bike maps. For this reason, Metro COG will begin printing and distributing bike maps again. In addition to the printed maps, the online bike map will continue to be available and updated.

A draft version of the printed Fargo-Moorhead Area bike map can be seen in **attachment 1**. This map will be 12" x 18" unfolded and 3" x 4.5" folded.

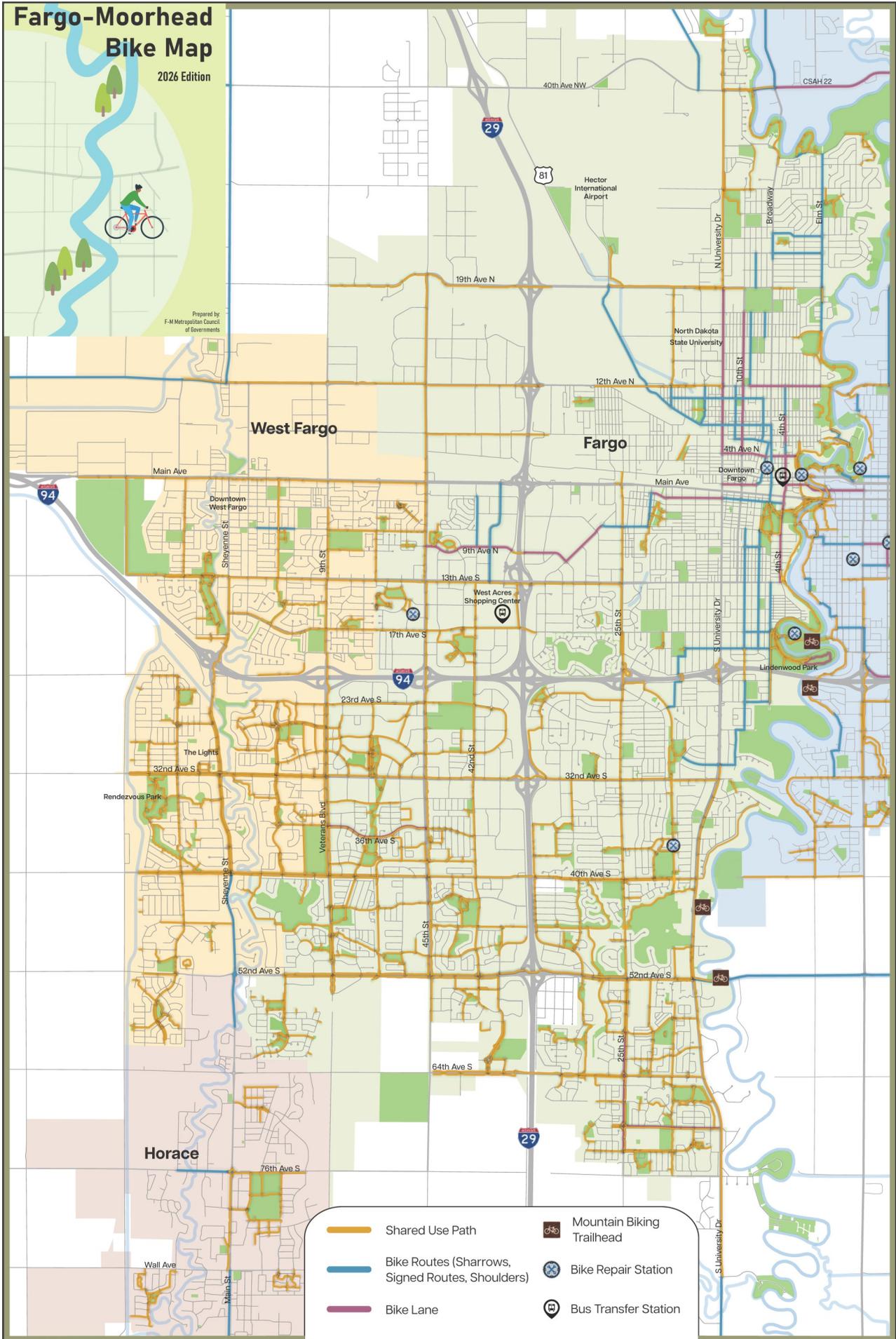
Metro COG reached out to three printing companies for quotes to print 5,500 maps. The quotes are as follows:

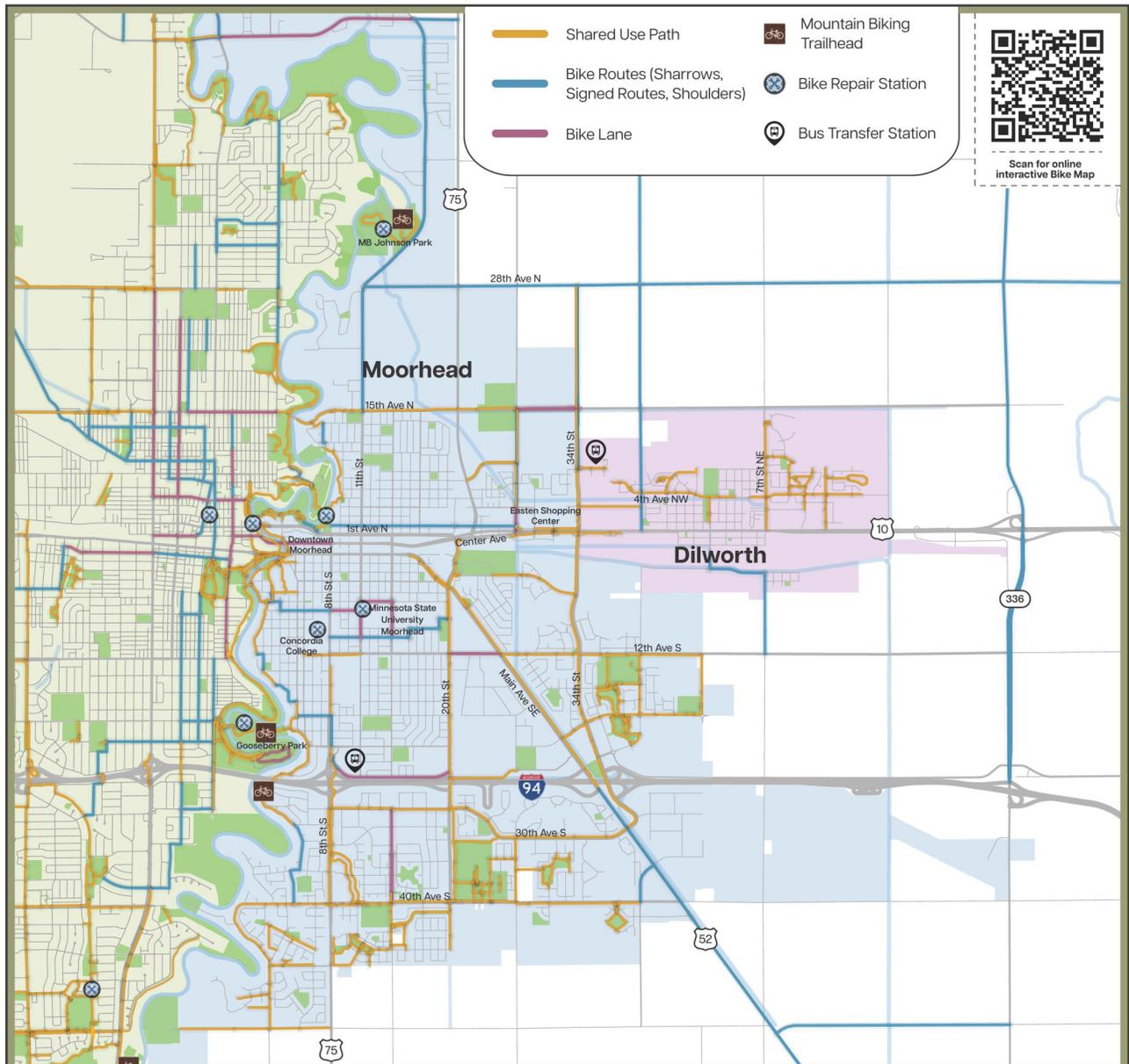
- Forum Communications & Printing: \$1,144
- Knight Printing: \$1,558
- Short Printer: Didn't provide quote. Doesn't print this type of material.

Since the lowest quote came from Forum, Metro COG will print the maps through Forum Comm. & Printing.

Attachment 2 shows the list of locations where Metro COG intends to distribute the maps. Please review this list and let us know if the locations and maps per location seem appropriate.

Metro COG hopes to get the bike maps printed and distributed in late-April or sometime in May.





Scan for online interactive Bike Map

On-road biking:
Must know biking signals

Stop Alternate right turn Right turn Left turn

Bike Safety:
Bicyclists share the same privileges and responsibilities as drivers of motor vehicles, and must obey all traffic control signs and signals.

Wear bright/reflective clothing Always wear a helmet
Make sure your bike has reflectors If riding at night, make sure your bike has lights

For more bike safety information:
<https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/bicycle-safety>
<https://www.dot.state.mn.us/bike/safety-education.html>

Sharrow: Share the road with vehicles

Bike lane at an intersection: Cars yield to bicycles when merging over dashed line

Bike lane: Bicycles only min. 4'

On-road shoulder: Bicycles have a minimum of 4' on a designated shoulder bike facility

Safety Rules:

- "Alternate left turn" if you cannot get into the left lane in time.
- Stay away from the curb as you approach an intersection. A car may cut you off.
- Make sure you have a clear view towards on-coming traffic as you approach an intersection.
- Riding along a shoulder, you always travel with the flow of traffic.
- Follow all traffic signage.
- Before crossing a street on a bike path, scan in all directions.
- Advise others in front of you as you pass them.
- On a shared use path, stay to the right side of the bikeway unless you are passing.
- Do not pass a truck or a bus on their right side. This is a blind spot for them and they may run you off the road.
- Travel in bike lanes; do not weave in and out of parking areas.
- Stay 4 feet away from parked cars.
- Before crossing a street at a roundabout, scan both ahead of you and to the left towards oncoming traffic.
- At roundabouts, bicycles merge with cars and use the whole lane. Pedestrians cross at crosswalks.
- Take precaution as you approach an alley, intersection, and driveway and make sure that cars can see you, especially if the drivers view is blocked by an object.

Inspired by City of Minneapolis Bicycle Map

2026 Map Distribution Information	
Organization	2026 Distribution
Fargo City Hall	125
Fargo Public Library	200
Fargo Parks	200
Moorhead City Hall	100
Moorhead Parks	200
Moorhead Public Library	125
Hjemkomst Center	250
West Fargo City Hall	100
West Fargo Parks	200
Dilworth (city and school district)	150
Cass County	100
Clay County	100
Great Northern Cycles	500
Scheel's (Fargo)	500
Scheel's (Moorhead)	250
MATBUS Ground Transportation Center	75
FM Visitors and Convention Bureau	500
River Keepers	150
Lindenwood Campground	150
Spare maps	1025
Total	5500