

579th Transportation Technical Committee
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments
Thursday, August 13, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room

AGENDA

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| 1. Call to Order and Introductions | |
| 2. Approve the Agenda | Action Item |
| 3. Approve Meeting Minutes of July 9, 2026 | Action Item |
| 4. Public Input Opportunity | Public Input |
| 5. 2026-2029 TIP Revision 9 | Action Item |
| 6. Draft 2027-2030 TIP Development | Information Item |
| 7. 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 | |
| 8. Additional Business | Information Item |
| 9. Adjourn | |

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

Bolded Action Items require roll call votes.

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**578th Meeting of the
FM Metro COG Transportation Technical Committee
Thursday, July 9, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room**

Members Present:

Jonathan	Atkinson	Moorhead Engineering (Alt. for T. Trowbridge)
Paul	Bervik	West Fargo Engineering
Maegin	Elshaug	Fargo Planning (Alt. for N. Crutchfield)
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Luke	Grittner	MATBUS
Matthew	Jacobson	Clay County Planning
Ethan	Lehmann	Cass County Planning (Alt. for C. Hansen)
Kyle	Litchy	Cass County Highway Department
Nathaniel	McHaffie	Horace Planning (Alt. for J. Dahlman)
Joey	Ness	GFMEDC (Alt. for Joe Raso)
Mary	Safgren	MnDOT – Dist. 4 Planning Director
Forrest	Steinhoff	Moorhead Planning (Alt. for R. Huston)
Brit	Stevens	NDSU – Transportation Manager
Wayne	Zacher	NDDOT (Alt. for W. Hutchings)

Members Absent:

Julie	Bommelman	MATBUS
Nicole	Crutchfield	City of Fargo Planning (Alt. present)
James	Dahlman	City of Horace - Planning/Engineering
Jeremy	Gorden	City of Fargo Engineering
Cole	Hansen	Cass County Planning Director (Alt. Present)
Robin	Huston	City of Moorhead Planning (Alt. present)
Will	Hutchings	NDDOT – Local Government Division
Kelly	Krapu	Freight
Don	Lorsung	City of Dilworth Community Development
Bryan	McCoy	MnDOT
Aaron	Nelson	West Fargo Planning
Joe	Raso	GFMEDC (Alt. present)
Justin	Sorum	Clay County Highway Department
Georges	Tippens	MSUM
Tom	Trowbridge	Moorhead Engineering (Alt. Present)

Others Present:

Adam	Altenburg	Metro COG
Karissa	Beierle Pavek	Metro COG
Angela	Brumbaugh	Metro COG
Dan	Farnsworth	Metro COG
Aiden	Jung	Metro COG
Zhang	Linghao	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG

Luke	Champa	SRF
Brian	King	HDR
Anna	Pierce	MnDOT
Dena	Ryan	MnDOT
Elizabeth	Schafer	MnDOT
Tom	Soucy	Cass County Highway Department
Kyle	Wieler	Civil Science

Anna Pierce with MnDOT discussed Expansion Projects for the MN Jurisdictions prior to the start of the TTC meeting.

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM, on July 9, 2026 by Chair Griffith. A quorum was present.

2. Approve the 578th TTC Meeting Agenda

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the July 9, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Approve the July 9, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.

Mr. Steinhoff moved, seconded by Mr. Bervik

MOTION, PASSED.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve June 11, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the June 11, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Approve the June 11, 2026 TTC Minutes.

Mr. Atkinson moved, seconded by Mr. McHaffie

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were received or provided.

5. 2026-2029 TIP Revision 8

Mr. Altenburg presented Revision 8 regarding the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The proposed revision for the 2026-2029 TIP includes the following amendments:

1. **Modification of Project 9162668:** NDDOT reconstruction of Main Avenue from University Drive to 25th Street (2026). Modification of total project cost.
2. **Modification of Project 1250016:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S (2026). Modification of total project cost and adding additional available TIFIA-TA funding.
3. **Modification of Project 1263068:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S (2026). Adding additional available CRP funding.
4. **Modification of Project 4240011:** Fargo reconstruction of 17th Avenue S from 25th Street to University Drive (2026). Adding additional available TIFIA-STBG funding.
5. **Modification of Project 3263067:** West Fargo construction of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and pedestrian refuge island on 32nd Avenue W west of 5th Street W (2026). Modification of total project cost and adding additional available CRP funding.

Motion: Pending public comments, recommend Policy Board approval of Revision 8 to Metro COG's 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Bervik moved, seconded by Mr. Litchy

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Review Draft 2026-2027 UPWP & Budget Amendment 2

Mr. Griffith presented information on Amendment 2 of the 2026-2027 UPWP & Budget. Metro COG was provided with additional numbers from both MN and ND. MN PL amounts will have a slight increase but others will be slightly less. The overall increase will actually be \$10,495.99 in Federal funds which will require member jurisdictions to contribute \$2,624 in local match.

The amount for vendor services for the Casselton Hwy 18 Corridor Study was added to Figure 9 and some of the staff hours in various program task areas have also been revised but there is no dollar change to the total amount.

Motion: Recommend approval of Metro COG's 2026 Unified Planning Work Program & Budget Amendment 2 to the Policy Board.

Mr. Bervik moved, seconded by Mr. Atkins
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.

7. Agency Updates

- a. City of Fargo Engineering – Absent
- b. City of Fargo Planning – Nothing to report
- c. City of Moorhead Engineering – All projects are on track
- d. City of Moorhead Planning – A public open house for 11th & 14th Streets has been scheduled and there is an online survey
- e. MATBUS – Julie was set to retire at the end of month but she will be out effective immediately. The City of Fargo is in the process of hiring new director. In the meantime, contact Jordan or Cole if you need anything.
- f. City of West Fargo Engineering – Nothing to report
- g. City of West Fargo Planning – Absent
- h. City of Dilworth – Absent
- i. City of Horace Planning – Discussion has occurred about Veterans Boulevard
- j. Cass County Highway – Received a BUILD grant along to replace 3 Red River structures for \$24 million
- k. Cass County Planning – Nothing to report
- l. Clay County Engineering – Nothing to report
- m. Clay County Planning – Nothing to report
- n. GFMEDC – Met with the consultant for the 2055 Socioeconomic & Forecast Study and passed along some data points
- o. NDSU – Nothing to report
- p. MnDOT District 4 – coordinating with Adam on TIP and ATIP, submitting draft ATIP to MnDOT Central Office tomorrow.

- q. MnDOT Central Office – Dena Ryan is the new MPO coordinator
- r. NDDOT Central Office – Nothing to report
- s. FHWA/FTA – Nothing to report

8. Additional Business

Mr. Griffith reported that the November meeting for 2027 would be held on Wednesday, November 10 instead of Thursday due to Veterans Day. Mr. Zacher stated that the Grand Forks Technical Committee meeting is the same day but it should be fine if both meetings are held at their regular times.

9. Adjourn

The 578th Regular Meeting of the TTC was adjourned on July 9, 2026 at 10:50 AM

**Mr. Steinhoff moved to Adjourn; Mr. Atkinson seconded
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.**

**THE NEXT FM METRO COG TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MEETING WILL BE HELD AUGUST 13, 2026 AT 10:00 AM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager

To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Adam Altenburg and Linghao Zhang, Metro COG
Date: August 7, 2026
Re: **2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revision 9**

The Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments (Metro COG) will hold a public meeting both in person and virtually on Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 4:00 PM to consider public comments regarding proposed amendments to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the FM metropolitan area.

The proposed revision for the 2026-2029 TIP includes the following amendments:

1. **New Project 9269078:** NDDOT preliminary engineering for 10th Street from NP Avenue to 4th Avenue N (2026). Included for potential year end NHPP funding.
2. **New Project 9269079:** NDDOT statewide overhead signage project (2026). Included for potential year end STBG funding.
3. **New Project 5269080:** City of Moorhead lighting improvements along existing shared use path along 50th Avenue S (2026). New TA- and CRP-funded project.
4. **New Project 5269081:** City of Moorhead lighting improvements along existing shared use path along 50th Avenue S (2026). New TA- and CRP-funded project.

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

Requested Action: Pending public comments, recommend Policy Board approval of Revision 9 to Metro COG's 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Lead Agency	Metro COG ID	State Number	Project Year	Project Location	Length	Project Limits FromTo		Project Description	Improvement Type	Total Project Cost	Federal Revenue Source	Federal Revenue	State Revenue	Local Revenue	Other Revenue
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Revision 9 - 2026-2029 Metro COG TIP
New and existing projects with changes

NDDOT	9269078	24694	2026	10th Street N		NP Avenue	4th Avenue N	Preliminary Engineering for 10th Street N Reconstruction from NP Avenue to 4th Avenue N	Preliminary Engineering	\$1,500,000	NHPP	\$1,213,950	\$136,050	\$150,000	
NDDOT	9269079	24558	2026	Various Locations				Statewide Overhead Signing	Safety	\$16,309,050	STBG	\$1,319,928	\$311,022		
City of Moorhead	5269080	144-080-013	2026	50th Avenue S		US 75	Bluestem Center	LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS ALONG EXISTING SHARED USE PATH ASSOCIATED TO 5269081	Safety	\$472,500	TA	\$270,000		\$67,500	\$135,000
City of Moorhead	5269081	144-080-013	2026	50th Avenue S		US 75	Bluestem Center	LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS ALONG EXISTING SHARED USE PATH ASSOCIATED TO 5269080	Safety	\$135,000	CRP	\$108,000		\$27,000	



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To: Transportation Technical Committee
From: Adam Altenburg and Linghao Zhang, Metro COG
Date: August 7, 2026
Re: **Draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development**

Metro COG has begun developing the draft **2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**, which identifies federally funded transportation projects and regionally significant locally funded projects for federal fiscal years 2027 through 2030.

The draft TIP is being developed in coordination with the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) and Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) draft State Transportation Improvement Programs (STIPs). As development continues, Metro COG staff will finalize the remaining components of the TIP, including the financial plan and fiscal constraint, overview of federal funding programs, performance measures, and other required elements.

Metro COG anticipates publishing a legal notice in the August 15 edition of *The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* to begin the official public comment period. The draft TIP will be available on the Metro COG website by Friday, August 14, provided information is available. Additional public participation opportunities, including a public meeting in early September, will also be announced. Alternative options for reviewing and commenting on the document will be available upon request. Public outreach will include a legal notice, email distribution, social media, and updates to the Metro COG website.

Metro COG staff will continue working with local jurisdictions over the next two months to finalize the 2027-2030 TIP and anticipates bringing the document to the TTC and Policy Board for approval in September.

Due to unforeseen delays, a detailed listing on project information will be sent out to TTC members as soon as possible. Metro COG staff asks TTC members to review the project lists for accuracy. Comments on the draft 2027-2030 TIP should be submitted by Monday, September 14, 2025.

Requested Action: None – informational item only at this time.