

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMES AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

AMES, IOWA

MAY 25, 2021

**AMES AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (AAMPO)
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Mayor Haila stated that it was impractical to hold an in-person Council meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, this meeting was being held as an electronic meeting as allowed by Section 21.8 of the *Iowa Code*. The Mayor then provided how the public could participate in the meeting via internet or by phone.

CALL TO ORDER: The Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) Transportation Policy Committee meeting, which was being held electronically, was called to order by Ames Mayor and voting member John Haila at 6:00 p.m. on the 25th day of May, 2021. Other voting members brought into the meeting were: Bronwyn Beatty-Hansen, City of Ames; Gloria Betcher, City of Ames; Amber Corrieri, City of Ames; Tim Gartin, City of Ames; Rachel Junck, City of Ames; David Martin, City of Ames; Linda Murken, Story County Board of Supervisors; and Jacob Ludwig, Transit Board. Jon Popp, Mayor of Gilbert; and Bill Zinnel, Boone County Supervisor, were absent.

HEARING ON THE FY 2022 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (TPWP): Public Works Director John Joiner explained that this item went before the Committee in March 2021, and received unanimous approval of the draft version. The item was then open for public comment for over a month. There were no public comments. Agency partners were able to review the draft and minimal administrative changes were made based on comments from the agencies.

The public hearing was opened by the Mayor. He closed the hearing after no one asked to speak.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Ludwig, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-257 approving the Final FY 2022 Transportation Planning Work Program for submission to the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Vote on Motion: 9-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO THE FFY 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP): Public Works Director John Joiner mentioned that this Amendment is to add the Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) grant funding that CyRide received from the Iowa Department of Transportation.

The Mayor opened public comment. It was closed when no one came forward.

Moved by Beatty-Hansen, seconded by Murken, to approve the Amendment to the FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Vote on Motion: 9-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

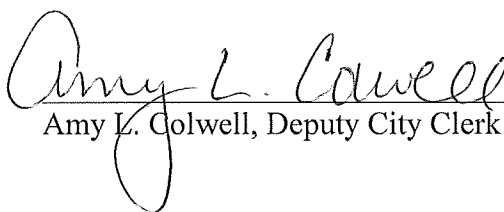
DRAFT FFY 2022-2025 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND SETTING JULY 13, 2021, AS THE DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING: Transportation Planner Kyle Thompson explained that this item is the Transportation Improvement Program that the Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) is required to develop every year. The Draft Federal Fiscal Year 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the short-range implementation program for federally funded and regionally significant transportation projects. It is important for the projects to be listed in the TIP in order to be eligible to receive federal funds. As part of the process, the AAMPO distributes regional applications for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding or Transportation Alternative Program (TAP). There were two STBG applications received and no TAP applications. To maintain fiscal constraints, it is recommended to award \$2,814,000 to the City of Ames for the South 16th Street widening project and to award \$225,000 to CyRide for its vehicle replacement project from the STBG funds. Both projects will be in the FFY 2025. Mr. Thompson mentioned that the next step is a virtual public open house on May 26, 2021 at noon. The public comment period will be open through June and details regarding how to submit comments can be found on the AAMPO website at www.aampo.org. The Policy Committee will hold a final public hearing and take action on approval on July 13, 2021.

Moved by Ludwig, seconded by Junck, to approve the Draft FFY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program and set July 13, 2021, as the date of public hearing.


Vote on Motion: 9-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

POLICY COMMITTEE COMMENTS: No comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Beatty-Hansen to adjourn the AAMPO Transportation Policy Committee meeting at 6:08 p.m.



Amy L. Colwell, Deputy City Clerk



John A. Haila, Mayor