

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AMES AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (AAMPO)
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

AMES, IOWA

SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

CALL TO ORDER: The Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) Transportation Policy Committee meeting was called to order by Ames Mayor and voting member John Haila at 11:00 a.m. on the 8th day of September, 2021. Other voting members present were: Bronwyn Beatty-Hansen, City of Ames; Gloria Betcher, City of Ames; Amber Corrieri, City of Ames; David Martin, City of Ames; and Linda Murken, Story County Supervisor. Absent were: Tim Gartin, City of Ames; Rachel Junck, City of Ames; Jacob Ludwig, Transit; Jon Popp, City of Gilbert; and Bill Zillig, Boone County Supervisor.

APPOINTMENT TO STATEWIDE URBAN DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS (SUDAS) BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Moved by Beatty-Hansen, seconded by Murken, to approve appointment of Public Works Director John Joiner to the Statewide Urban Design Specifications Board of Directors.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

PROJECTS IN IOWA CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS: Moved by Betcher, seconded by Corrieri, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-479 approving Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Grant for Phase 3 of the Ames Traffic Network Master Plan.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Corrieri, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-480 approving Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Grant for Alternative Fuel (B100 Biodiesel) Use for the City of Ames Municipal Fleet.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Corrieri, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-481 approving Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Grant for #11 Cherry - Night Service for CyRide.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Corrieri, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-482 approving Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Grant for #12 Lilac - Mid-Day Service for CyRide.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Corrieri, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 21-483 approving Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program Grant for #6 Brown - Night Service for CyRide.

Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

DRAFT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN: Transportation Planner Kyle Thompson explained that the Public Participation Plan (PPP) details how the Ames Area MPO involves the public and stakeholders in its transportation planning efforts. It includes goals and strategies that

the AAMPO will implement so that all interested parties have ample opportunity to get involved, and details how to access the relevant transportation planning information. The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) requires that MPOs update their PPP at least every five years. The PPP for the Ames Area MPO was last updated in 2016. New guidelines for the development of PPPs were provided by the Iowa DOT. The Draft in question was developed utilizing those new guidelines.

Mr. Thompson reviewed the six primary sections of the PPP as well as the minimum public comment periods and procedures for the final drafts or amendments for each of the five core planning documents.


According to Mr. Thompson, the Iowa DOT is also requiring MPOs to submit new FTA Title VI Programs by November 1, 2021. By updating the PPP at this time, the FTA Title VI Program will properly reflect the MPO's current public participation strategies and procedures.

It was noted that the Draft PPP was reviewed and unanimously approved by the AAMPO Transportation Technical Committee. After it is approved by the Transportation Policy Committee, a 45-day public comment period will commence. The Iowa DOT will review the Draft document during that same time period. Once all feedback is received and incorporated into the PPP, the final document will be presented to the Transportation Policy Committee for public hearing and final approval by October 26, 2021.


Moved by Beatty-Hansen, seconded by Murken, to approve the Draft Public Participation Plan and set October 26, 2021, as the date of public hearing.
Vote on Motion: 6-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

POLICY COMMITTEE COMMENTS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Beatty-Hansen to adjourn the meeting at 11:11 a.m.



Diane R. Voss, City Clerk



John A. Haila, Mayor