

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

AMES, IOWA

JULY 11, 2023

The Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) Transportation Policy Committee meeting was called to order by Ames Mayor and voting member John Haila at 6:00 p.m. on the 11th day of July, 2023. Other voting members present were: Bronwyn Beatty-Hansen, City of Ames; Amber Corrieri, City of Ames; Tim Gartin, City of Ames; Rachel Junck, City of Ames; Anita Rollins, City of Ames; and Linda Murken, Story County Board of Supervisors.

IOWA DISTRIBUTION FORMULA FOR METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) PLANNING FUNDS: Transportation Planner Kyle Thompson explained that the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) distributes federal funding to all the Iowa MPOs for transportation planning work and activities each year. With every census, the IDOT reviews the distribution methodology, and this year the IDOT has proposed a different allocation formula. Planner Thompson discussed how the current formula compared to the proposed formula, highlighting that the AAMPO would expect an approximate \$2,000 increase in funding in FY 2025 if the proposed PL funding allocation methodology were used.

Council Member Gartin inquired about the potential downsides of the proposed formula. Planner Thompson noted that there were no apparent downsides, sharing that the impacts on funding are minor for most Iowa MPOs. He explained that the main function of the proposal is to protect MPOs from potential rapid population declines. Public Works Director John Joiner agreed, adding that the proposed formula also protects MPOs from extreme changes in funding levels that could also be due to a rapid increase in population of another MPO.

Moved by Gartin, seconded by Murken, to support the proposed Iowa distribution formula for MPO transportation PL funds.

Vote on Motion: 7-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

HEARING ON FINAL FY 2024-2027 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: Transportation Planner Thompson shared that there were no substantial amendments to note. He furthered that there were no public comments received by staff during the public comment period; however, staff received and addressed one minor comment from the IDOT.

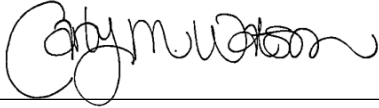
Ames Mayor John Haila opened and closed the Public Hearing when no one came forward to speak.

Moved by Junck, seconded by Murken, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 23-393 approving FY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program.

Vote on Motion: 7-0. Resolution declared adopted, signed by the Chair, and hereby made a portion of these Minutes.

POLICY COMMITTEE COMMENTS: Director Joiner shared that the next meeting of the AAMPO would be Tuesday, July 18, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. during which time the consultants from the 190th Street Corridor Study and S. Duff Avenue Interchange and Corridor Study would be in attendance to present the findings.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Murken, seconded by Junck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m.
Vote on Motion: 7-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.



Carly M. Watson, Deputy City Clerk



John A. Haila, Mayor



Renee Hall, City Clerk