



AMES AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

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TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 02, 2021

AMES CITY HALL 515 CLARK AVENUE

9:00AM-MEETING HELD ELECTRONICALLY

Attendance:

TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

▲	Tracy	Peterson	Ames Municipal Engineer	
▲	Damion	Pregitzer	Ames Traffic Engineer	
X	Justin	Clausen	Ames Operations Manager	
▲	Kelly	Diekmann	Ames Director of Planning and Housing	
▲	Justin	Moore	Ames Long Range Planner	
▲	Barb	Neal	CyRide Transit Director	
X	Scott	Kruse	Boone County Engineer	
X	Darren	Moon	Story County Engineer	
X	Gerry	Peters	Ames Community School District	
▲	Dan	Culhane	Ames Economic Development Commission	
▲	Chris	Strawhacker	Iowa State University Campus Planner	*
▲	Darla	Hugaboom	Federal Highway Administration	†
▲	Gerri	Doyle	Federal Transit Administration	†
▲	Andy	Loonan	Iowa Department of Transportation	†
▲	Zac	Bitting	Iowa Department of Transportation	†
▲	<i>Present</i>		<i>Alternate Attendee</i>	*
X	<i>Absent</i>		<i>Non-Voting Members</i>	†

STAFF AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

1	John	Joiner	Ames Director of Public Works, MPO Administrator
2	Kyle	Thompson	Ames & MPO Transportation Planner
3	Shari	Atwood	CyRide Transit Planner
4	Laura	Colebrooke	Principal Clerk

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Technical Committee was called to order by Damion Pregitzer at 9:01AM.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF THE SEPTEMBER 02, 2021 MEETING

MOTION: (Neal/Diekmann) to approve the agenda of the September 02, 2021 meeting.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2021 MEETING

MOTION: (Diekmann/Neal) to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2021 meeting.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

IV. RECOMMENDATION ON IOWA CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT PROGRAM (ICAAP) PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Kyle Thompson began by stating this item is a recommendation on the ICAAP program. He described what the project was for and noted the application deadline is October 1st. The MPO must certify that any applications meet the standards and financial constraints. He said two applications were from the City of Ames and there were from CyRide.

Justin Moore asked about the environmental impact of Traffic Network Phase Three and if the network would be set up and designed so there are less starts and stops in traffic.

Damion Pregitzer replied that it would be designed so there would be a significantly reduction in delay. He noted that congestion would be reduced which therefore would reduce emissions.

Mr. Thompson asked if anyone else had any questions.

MOTION: (Moore/Diekmann) Recommend Alternative 1 to recommend to the Policy Committee for approval.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

V. RECOMMENDATION ON THE DRAFT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN (PPP)

Kyle Thompson described the plan as well as the goals, strategies, etc. and how it will be made available to the public. He said the Iowa Department of Transportation requires that MPO's update their plan every 5 years. Mr. Thompson outlined the six sections and what their purpose was. He commented that section six is a new section about underserved populations and accommodations that are underway now. He discussed the flow chart and the core planning process.

Kelly Diekmann inquired as to what PTP was. Mr. Thompson clarified that the PTP was the Passenger Transportation Plan.

Shari Atwood said the TC is the Transportation Collaboration of Story County. She said the group looks at the Passenger Transportation Plan that the MPO is required to do to get funding for the elderly and disabled.

Mr. Diekmann asked how someone would be able to join the TC group. Ms. Atwood replied that the information on how to join is outlined in the report.

Mr. Diekmann asked if the PTP must be updated every 5 years. Mr. Thompson told him it is. He noted it was last updated in 2019. Mr. Diekmann asked about the map on the MPO and if they expect boundaries to change anytime soon. Mr. Pregitzer replied that they are waiting on if the data from the most recent census triggers a boundary adjustment. Mr. Diekmann asked if they don't have the demographic info readily available, would they have to amend the PTP plan. Mr. Thompson said that would be included in the LTP plan.

Mr. Pregitzer said it depends on how the date has changed from the previous set. He said if it was significantly different then they would do an amendment.

Mr. Diekmann noted that in Appendix B the Downtown District it is now Ames Main Street.

MOTION: (Diekmann/Strawhacker) Recommend Alternative 1 to recommend the draft to the Policy Committee for formal approval.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

VI. OTHER NON-ACTION ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE COMMITTEE

Mr. Diekmann noted that Plan 2040 is now publicly available for review and comment before it goes to formal approval. He said the plan is available on the City of Ames Website.

VII. UPCOMING DATES

- A. Transportation Policy Committee Meeting
September 7-10 (TBD Date), 2021-@ TBD Time- Zoom**
- B. Transportation Technical Committee Meeting
October 14, 2021-9AM-Hybrid (Microsoft Teams & Ames City Hall-C235)**
- C. Transportation Policy Committee Meeting
October 26, 2021-6:00PM- Ames City Hall (Council Chambers)**

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Neal) Adjourn meeting of the Technical Transportation Committee at 9 :33 AM.

MOTION PASSED: 7-0

Minutes prepared by Laura Colebrooke