

SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING

Thursday, February 24, 2022 @ 10 a.m.

A meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization’s (APO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022.

Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson presided with the following people in attendance:

In-Person TAC Members:

Tom Cruikshank	MnDOT District 3 (Alternate for Steve Voss)
Michael Kedrowski	Saint Cloud Metro Bus
Jon Norenberg	City of Waite Park
Matt Glaesman	City of St. Cloud
Mike Decker	Stearns County
Steve Foss	City of St. Cloud
April Ryan	City of Sartell (Alternate for Scott Saehr)

Non-Member In-Person Attendees:

Vicki Johnson	APO, Senior Planner
Brian Gibson	APO, Executive Director
Alex McKenzie	APO, Associate Planner

Zoom Attendees:

Bobbi Retzlaff	Federal Highway Administration
Kari Theisen	City of Sartell
Steve Voss	MnDOT District 3
Jeff Lenz	MnDOT District 3
James Stapfer	APO, Planning Technician

Introductions were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public were present.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Johnson listed the contents of the consent agenda, including:

- A. Approve minutes of Feb. 3, 2022, TAC meeting (Attachment A)
- B. Receive staff report of Feb. 10, 2022, Policy Board meeting (Attachment B)

Mr. Cruikshank made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items. Mr. Norenberg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CONSIDER 2022-2026 REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PLAN (RIIP)

Ms. Johnson summarized the purpose of the RIIP is to meet the transparency intent of the Federal regulations surrounding regionally significant transportation projects and better facilitate interjurisdictional coordination of project development and construction. The RIIP, in contrast to the TIP, identifies proposed non-transit transportation improvement projects throughout the Saint Cloud Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) regardless of funding source and includes projects that have been programmed in the TIP. Ms. Johnson summarized the 2022-2026 RIIP including projects that have been completed within the past 12 months and upcoming projects. Ms. Johnson is seeking recommendation for Policy Board approval to publish. Ms. Johnson noted some Stearns County projects will be revised. Ms. Ryan noted Sartell will also have revisions.

Mr. Norenberg made the motion to approve the RIIP and addition of Stearns County and Sartell revisions. Mr. Glaesman seconded approval. Motion carried.

Mr. Voss noted some district 3 projects may have adjustments. Ms. Johnson requested an estimate be sent to her by March 4 to prepare documents for the next Policy Board meeting that is on March 10.

CONSIDER THE DRAFT REGIONAL ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN PROJECTS

Mr. McKenzie gave an overview of the Active Transportation Plan (ATP). This plan conducts a thorough analysis of the region's active transportation network, identified existing gaps, and prioritized investment areas across jurisdictions. It is the hope that this plan will serve two primary functions. The first is to inform the development of the APO's next MTP. The second is to assist member jurisdictions in prioritizing active transportation projects both within their municipal boundaries and on an interjurisdictional level. Mr. Gibson noted this plan is not intended to list all areas in need of active transportation facilities. Rather, it is to be used as a source to identify areas most in need of improvement. Mr. McKenzie summarized the city profiles for Sauk Rapids, Sartell, Saint Joseph, Waite Park, and Saint Cloud.

PRESENTATION ON 2021 HOUSEHOLD TRAVEL SURVEY RESULTS

Mr. Gibson summarized the Household Travel Survey results. The intent was to be statistically valid and get a sample of random households to participate. This local data will help feed the travel demand model. The 2019 MTP showed APO that there were gaps in receiving information from groups such as: students, low-income, elderly, BIPOC, Immigrants. The survey was available in English, Spanish, and Somali. The survey took place between Oct. 6 and Nov. 24, 2021. There were 856 households that completed the survey. Mr. Voss asked if people kept a common identity of who they were during the survey in relation to COVID and if people could be listed as a telecommuter. Mr. Gibson said Mr. Stapfer is taking this data and

putting together individual profiles and it should be possible to look at people that telework and dig into their data.

OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Johnson noted the APO Policy Board did not meet quorum at the February meeting therefore approvals will be pushed back to March.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.