SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING Thursday, April 24, 2025 @ 10.2 m

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A meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization's (APO's) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was held at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 24, 2025. Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson presided with the following people in attendance:

Voting Members:

Zac Borgerding City of Saint Cloud
Matt Glaesman City of Saint Cloud
Randy Sabart City of Saint Joseph

Kari Haakonson City of Sartell Chris Byrd Benton County

Mike Decker Stearns County (alternate for Jodi Teich)

David Roedel Sherburne County
Michael Kedrowski Saint Cloud Metro Bus

Non-Member Attendees:

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

Trina Ness APO, Administrative Specialist

Angie Stenson Bolton & Menk

Online Attendees:

Steve Voss MnDOT District 3

Jason Gottfried MnDOT MPO Program Coord. Central Office

James Stapfer APO, Planning Technician

Raveena Bandaru Bolton & Menk Dean Chamberlain Toole Design

1. Introductions were made.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public were present.

3. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve minutes of the March 27, 2025, TAC meeting
- b. Receive staff report of April 3, 2025, Central Minnesota Area Transportation Partnership (ATP-3) meeting
- c. Receive staff report of April 10, 2025, Policy Board meeting

Mr. Borgerding made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. Ms. Haakonson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. CONSIDERATION OF FY 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

Ms. Johnson presented two proposed changes to be made to the APO's FY 2025-2028 TIP from Metro Bus:

- TRF-0048-25I St. Cloud MTC, Purchase eight (8) Class 400LF CNG Replacement Buses.
- TRF-0048-25E Sect5307: St. Cloud MTC, Three Replacement Operations Vehicles will change to only two vehicles purchased in FY 2025.

Fiscal constraint has been maintained, and the 30-day public comment period is set to end on Friday, April 25, 2025.

MnDOT District 3 has requested a funding transfer take place between Wright and Benton counties. Benton County will take \$750,000 in HSIP funding from Wright County and it will be applied to the CSAH 1/CSAH 29 roundabout construction.

Wright County will be taking state aid construction funding from Benton County which will allow Wright County additional time to acquire necessary ROW to complete their project.

Mr. Glaesman made a motion to approve the FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments and Administrative Modification. Mr. Borgerding seconded the motion. Motion carried.

5. SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL (SS4A)

Ms. Stenson gave a project update on the Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan.

Mr. Chamberlain reviewed the corridor safety countermeasure profiles for the following corridors:

- 1. St Cloud Ninth Avenue S from First Street S to 14th Street S.
- 2. St Cloud 33rd Avenue N from Division Street W to Saint Germain Street W.
- 3. St Cloud Division Street from Waite Avenue to 21st Street N.
- 4. Waite Park 10th Avenue S from Division Street W to Sundial Drive.
- 5. Sauk Rapids Benton Drive from Fourth Street N to Sixth Street S.
- 6. Sauk Rapids Benton Drive from Sixth Street S to US 10.
- 7. Sartell Second Street S from Pinecone Road to Riverside Avenue S.
- 8. Sartell Pinecone Road from 2 ½ Street N to 12th Street N.
- 9. St. Joseph College Avenue N. from Lake Wobegon Trail to Minnesota Street.
- 10. Multijurisdictional Second Street S from Second Avenue S to 25th Avenue S.
- 11. Multijurisdictional Division Street from Eighth Avenue to 21st Avenue N.

During his review, Mr. Chamberlain provided the corridor context information (including speed, AADT, traffic control devices, and lane configuration), a crash summary along the corridor, and recommendations to improve safety both on a corridor level as well as a site-specific level.

Ms. Stenson reviewed the safety countermeasure strategy matrix. This matrix included a proposed safety strategy, the focus area for that strategy (intersection control, speed management, pedestrian safety), as well as approximate cost range (high, medium, and low), and approximate reduction in crashes (overall, fatal and serious injury crashes, and pedestrian and bike crashes).

Ms. Stenson also reviewed the proposed safety countermeasure toolbox, which would be a more public facing description of the countermeasure strategy matrix. This toolbox provides a review of the proposed safety countermeasure, its purpose, and a review of how it would be applied/implemented in order to give the general public a basic understanding of the proposed strategy.

Finally, Ms. Stenson stated she would be working with TAC representatives to identify locations by jurisdiction in which the Bolton & Menk team would develop conceptual designs and cost estimates for safety improvements along specific corridors. Meetings will be set up over the next two weeks to discuss proposed locations.

Ms. Stenson provided the following timeline for the remainder of the SS4A contract:

- May Confirm locations for concept/cost development, develop project concepts and cost estimates, develop implementation plan.
- June Present project concepts and cost estimates, draft implementation plan, review regional safety policy statement sand vision zero statement.
- July Refine materials for public and agency engagement.
- August Public and agency engagement, 30-day comment period, public meeting, agency and focus group engagement.
- September Public comment report and plan presentation.

Ms. Stenson also asked for direction the TAC representatives could provide Bolton & Menk to make this campaign successful to be provided by May 16. There will be project team meetings with jurisdictions set up for the week of May 5 to discuss concept development.

6. OTHER BUSINESS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Johnson stated she would be presenting the draft FY 2026-2029 TIP at next month's meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.