

**SAINT CLOUD AREA PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MEETING  
Thursday, February 25, 2021 @ 10 a.m.**

A Zoom meeting of the Saint Cloud Area Planning Organization's (APO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, February 25, 2021. Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson presided with the following members participating via Zoom or telephone access:

Michael Kedrowski	Saint Cloud Metro Bus
Steve Voss	MnDOT District 3
Steve Foss	City of Saint Cloud
Matt Glaesman	City of Saint Cloud
Randy Sabart	City of Saint Joseph
Jon Noerenberg	City of Waite Park
Todd Schultz	City of Sauk Rapids
Chris Byrd	Benton County
Andrew Witter	Sherburne County
Jodi Teich	Stearns County
Scott Saehr	City of Sartell
Ben Anderson	Stearns County
Larry Hosch	ATAC Representative
Kelvin Howieson	MnDOT District 3
Jeff Lenz	MnDOT District 3
Voni Vegar	MnDOT, OTAT
Anna Pierce	MnDOT, MPO Coordinator
Innocent Eyoh	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)
Vicki Johnson	APO, Senior Planner
Brian Gibson	APO, Executive Director
Alex McKenzie	APO, Planning Technician
Fred Sandal	APO, Associate Planner
Amber Blattner	APO, Administrative Assistant

Ms. Johnson reviewed the Electronic Meeting Notification requirements.

Introductions were made.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No members of the public were participating.

**Consideration of Consent Agenda Items**

**Ms. Teich made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items. Mr. Witter seconded the motion. Motion carried. Roll Call: Kedrowski– YES; Voss – YES; Foss – YES; Glaesman – YES; Sabart – YES; Noerenberg – YES; Byrd – YES; Witter – YES; Teich – YES; Schultz – YES; Saehr - YES**

### **FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments and Administrative Modifications**

Ms. Johnson requested board approval on proposed administrative modification to the Transportation Improvement Program requested by MnDOT. She said MnDOT is looking to delay construction on the WPA wall along MN 301 to 2022. In addition, MnDOT is seeking to increase the project cost from \$800,000 to \$900,000.

**Mr. Foss made a motion to recommend Policy Board approve the TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications. Mr. Voss seconded the motion. Motion carried. Roll Call: Kedrowski– YES; Voss – YES; Foss – YES; Glaesman – YES; Sabart – YES; Noerenberg – YES; Byrd – YES; Witter – YES; Teich – YES; Schultz – YES; Saehr – YES**

### **Revision to the FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program Development Schedule**

Ms. Johnson worked with MnDOT as they worked to develop an improved FY 2022-2025 TIP development schedule. Ms. Pierce worked with MPOs throughout the state to discuss how they handled scheduling and combined their techniques to streamline the process. Changes made to the schedule include the opening of the public commit period being pushed from June to July. Therefore, the August TAC meeting would be when the TAC recommends Policy Board approval of the TIP. Ms. Johnson asked if there are any conflicts with the Aug. 26 TAC meeting because it is important to have quorum. Ms. Johnson seeks approval to revise the schedule.

**Ms. Teich made a motion to approve the revised schedule. Mr. Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried. Roll Call: Kedrowski– YES; Voss – YES; Foss – YES; Glaesman – YES; Sabart – YES; Noerenberg – YES; Byrd – YES; Witter – YES; Teich – YES; Schultz – YES; Saehr - YES**

### **Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Vision Statement, Goals, and Objectives**

Mr. Sandal presented on the active transportation vision, goals, and objectives. Mr. Sandal explained the Saint Cloud APO is looking at what we want the future of active transportation to look like. Based on the ATAC review of the system data and the public input received on the ATP the vision statement has been revised. Mr. Sandal seeks recommendation to the APO Policy Board on the proposed vision, goals, and objectives for the ATP. Ms. Teich asked if this is something that can be used for a guideline when prioritizing TA project in the future. Mr. Sandal said that yes, these goals and objectives apply to all jurisdictions and are consistent with the planning being done. Mr. Voss asked for clarification on goal 2, identification of high demand destinations for bicyclists. Mr. Sandal said from the public involvement process we identified the primary destinations where people walk and bike. Primary destinations include schools, large employers (100 employees or more), parks and grocery stores. Mr. Eyoh asked about what was done for public engagement to set

up these goals and objectives. Mr. Sandal explained the public engagement that took place spring of 2020 was used to come up with these goals and objectives.

**Ms. Teich made a motion to recommend Policy Board approve the proposed vision, goals, and objectives for the ATP. Mr. Glaesman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Roll Call: Kedrowski – YES; Voss – YES; Foss – YES; Glaesman – YES; Sabart – YES; Noerenberg – YES; Byrd – YES; Witter – YES; Teich – YES; Schultz – YES; Saehr – YES**

Mr. Sandal discussed the next steps for the Active Transportation Plan (ATP)

### **Active Transportation Facility Ownership Discussion**

Mr. McKenzie shared with TAC representatives maps of each of the cities and asked each jurisdiction about the shared use paths where ownership and/or maintenance was unknown or unclear. TAC representatives felt the definition of ownership and maintenance needed to be refined. Mr. McKenzie will follow up with everyone on the areas in question to allow them time to review and to ensure accuracy.

### **Other Business and Announcements**

Ms. Johnson is preparing financial documents and fiscal constraint information for the 2022-2025 TIP. Those will be sent out next week along with a list of obligated projects. Ms. Johnson noted in the March meeting TAC will review the STBGP process. Mr. Gibson noted the household travel survey contract will be selected soon and in early fall we will help bring awareness of the survey to the public.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.