



## POLICY COMMITTEE

September 8, 2023

1:30 pm– 3:00 pm

Hybrid Meeting - City Hall Council Chambers and via Zoom

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**Members Present:** Jason Banach, Nate Nickel (P), Margaret Clements, Chris Wahlman (P,V), Doug Horn, Geoff McKim, Andrew Cibor (P), Lisa Ridge, Steve Volan, Jillian Kinzie, , Sarah Ryterband, Julie Thomas (V)

**Guests Present:** None

**Staff Present:** Ryan Robling, Pat Martin

### Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Introductions - Lisa Ridge called the meeting to order.
- II. Approval of Meeting Agenda\*  
**\*\*Sarah Ryterband moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Geoff McKim seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote (10-0-0). \* Approved.**
- III. Approval of Minutes\*
  - a. June 30, 2023  
**\*\*Geoff McKim moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Steve Volan seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote (11-0-0). \* Approved.**
- IV. Communications from the Chair and Vice Chair
  - a. Lisa Ridge welcomed everyone.
- V. Reports from Officers and/or Committees
  - a. Sarah Ryterband reported that the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) met on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and recommended approval of the proposed FY 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments.
  - b. Nate Nickel reported that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and also recommended approval of the proposed FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendments.
- VI. Reports from the MPO Staff
  - a. Pat Martin reported noted an updated CY 2023 BMCMPPO meeting schedule necessitated by the 2030 Indiana MPO Council Conference and the November holiday season.

- b. Pat Martin reported on approval of the *BMCMPO FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program* (UPWP) with a Notice to Proceed beginning July 1, 2023, and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law 2.5% Complete Streets requirement accompanying the UPWP approval.
- c. Pat Martin reported on the achievement of federal and state approval for the *BMCMPO FY 2024-2028 TIP*, and INDOT's *FY 2024-2028 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program* (STIP). The approved FY 2024-2028 STIP references all Indiana Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) TIPs, thereby accelerating project amendment approvals.
- d. Pat Martin reported on the issuance of a Consultant Request for Information (RFI) in July for development of the *BMCMPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan* (MTP). A single consultant team responded to the RFI and the staff requested the preparation of a Scope of Work/Fee Proposal for consideration by Monroe County and the City of Bloomington. Under a memorandum of Understanding, an agreed upon Scope of Work/Fee Proposal will require joint approval by both parties.
- e. Finally, Pat Martin reported on the 2023 Indiana Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Conference that the BMCMPO will host on October 10-11, 2023 at the Monroe County Convention Center.

## VII. Old Business

- a. None.

## VIII. New Business

- a. FY 2024 - 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments\*
  - (1) DES#1700198 - SR45-46 0.2 miles E of I-69 (Arlington Road) to 0.93 miles E of I-69 (Kinser Pike)
  - (2) DES#2300671 - Protect Program Development for Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act. Sarah Ryterband asked what INDOT could accomplish with the programmed amount. Pat Martin responded that the funding level suggested this request involved a consultant study.
  - (3) DES#2200146 - Eagleson Avenue Bridge Replacement over the Indiana Rail Road. Scoping has just begun with a suggestion that right-of-way acquisition may become a project requirements.
  - (4) DES#1900399 - 1<sup>st</sup> Street Reconstruction and Safety Improvements
  - (5) DES#TBD - Covenanter Protected Bike Lanes and Intersection Improvements
  - (6) DES#TBD - Go Bloomington, Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program for Bloomington and Monroe County
  - (7) DES#2200021 - Downtown Curb Ramps Phase 4

Lisa Ridge inquired about the funding source for the City of Bloomington's 1<sup>st</sup> Street project. Pat Martin responded that the BMCMPO intended to borrow FY 2024 construction funding from other Indiana MPOs under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Agreement with a funding payback occurring in FY 2027. The proposed action shall only affect the City of Bloomington's FY 2024 - FY 2027 funding. All other BMCMPO Local Public Agency (i.e., Monroe County, Rural Transit, and Bloomington Transit) FY 2024 - 2027 funding will remain unaffected. **\*\*Sarah Ryterband moved for approval of the FY 2024 – 2028 TIP Amendments. Steve Volan seconded. Motion passed by a roll call vote (11-0-1). \* Approved.**

- b. BMCMPO FY 2024 Complete Streets Policy - Proposed Update and Discussion
  - (1) Pat Martin reported that the staff initiated a draft update of the BMCMPO Complete Streets Policy in response to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, plus consultation with the Smart Growth America staff. A draft Complete Streets Policy update will begin circulation at the next TAC and CAC meetings.

IX. Public Comment on Matters Not Included on the Agenda (non-voting items) - *Limited to five Minutes per speaker, and may be reduced by the committee if numerous people wish to Speak.*

- a. None

X. Communications from Committee Members on Matters Not Included on the Agenda (Non-voting items)

- a. None.

XI. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Policy Committee - October 6, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
- b. Technical Advisory Committee - September 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid)
- c. Citizens Advisory Committee - September 27, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. (Hybrid)

XII. Adjournment

- a. Lisa Ridge adjourned the meeting with motions from Sarah Ryterband and Geoff McKim.

*\*Action Requested / Public comment prior to vote on old and new business items (limited to five minutes per speaker).*

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Signed Off? (Month/Year )	Sponsor	DES	Contract #	Route	Work Type	Location	County	District	Miles	Federal Category	Asset Program - (State Projects Only)	Phase	Federal	Match	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	Total Project Cost	Remarks	Letting Date	MPO	Air Quality information (if applicable)
	BMCMPPO	1900399			Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards)	1st Street from Fairview Street to College Avenue	Monroe	Seymour	Approx 1.0 miles	STP		CN	4601337	1598663			\$6,200,000.00					6200000	FY2024 new project addition for a CN rebid.	12/13/2023	BMCMPPO	N.A.