



LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

SERVING THE LA CROSSE (WI)/LA CRESCENT (MN) URBANIZED AREA

LA CROSSE COUNTY NOTICE OF MEETING

COMMITTEE OR BOARD:	LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE	
DATE OF MEETING:	Wednesday, September 16, 2026	
MEETING PLACE:	ROOM 1107 ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER 212 6TH STREET N, LA CROSSE, WI 54601 THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON WITH THE OPTION TO ATTEND VIRTUALLY VIA TEAMS – SEE MEETING ACCESS/MONITORING INSTRUCTIONS DETAILED BELOW	
TIME OF MEETING:	4:30 P.M.	
PURPOSE OF MEETING:	September Policy Board Meeting	
	Item	Action
1.	Call to Order and Roll Call	
2.	Public comment (5 minutes time limit per comment)	
3.	Approval of minutes of the July 15, 2026, LAPC Meeting	Approve
4.	Recommendation to approve amending the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) List – Resolution 9-2026	Approve
5.	Recommendation to approve amending the Minnesota 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Projects List – Resolution 10-2026	Approve
6.	Recommendation to approve amending the 2026 Onalaska Shared Ride PTASP Targets – Resolution 11-2026	Approve
7.	Recommendation to approve amending the 2026 LAPC Unified Planning Work Program – Resolution 12-2026	Approve
8.	Recommendation to approve LAPC Bylaws modification for Policy Board Meeting Schedule – Even Months – beginning 2027 – Resolution 13-2026	Approve
9.	AmeriCorps Community Corps Mobility Manager Update – Erin	Information
10.	Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (SS4A) Update – Erin/Travis	Information
11.	Transit Update: RTA Feasibility Study/Forum, Regional Transit Development Plan - Travis	Information
12.	FRA RCE Update: Brice Prairie/Town of Onalaska, La Crescent - Bob	Information
13.	Director and Staff Report (attached)	Information
14.	Member Updates or Requests	Information
15.	Next (Special) Meeting of LAPC: Wednesday, October 21, 2026	Information
16.	Adjourn	Approve

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Corporation Counsel
County Clerk
Facilities

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Patrick Barlow, Chair
Tim Candahl/ Marlene Heal, Vice Chair
Tina Tryggstad
Shaundel Washinton-Spivey/Barb Janssen
Scott Schumacher
Mike Poellinger
Steve Elsen/Dean Taylor
Paula Przywojski/Emy Monroe
Dan Kapanke
Kim Smith
Bob Stupi

MEMBERS: If unable to attend, please contact Bob Gollnik, MPO Executive Director at 608-785-5977.

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DATE NOTICE FAXED/MAILED/POSTED: September 9, 2026

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LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES OF July 15, 2026 Held in person and via Microsoft Teams

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patrick Barlow, Tim Candahl, Tina Tryggstad, Scott Schumacher, Paula Przywojski, Kim Smith, Bob Stupi
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke
OTHERS PRESENT:	Jane Klekamp, Bob Gollnik, Travis Key, Michael Miller, Michelle Howe, Michael Richardson, Francis Schelfhout

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Patrick Barlow called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was called.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE May 20, 2026, LAPC MEETING

MOTION by Bob Stupi/Scott Schumacher to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2026, La Crosse Area Planning Committee meeting.

Motion carried unanimously; four excused (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AMENDING THE 2025-2028 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) LIST (2025-2028) – Resolution 8-2026

The La Crosse Area Planning Committee (LAPC) approved the 2025-2028 TIP on November 20, 2024. Since the last TIP amendment, two (2) existing projects had changes to funding, state project IDs, and/or construction schedules.

MOTION by Paula Przywojski/Bob Stupi to approve amending the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) List. **Motion carried; four excused** (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

SPECIAL OCTOBER MEETING – OCTOBER 21, 2026 AT 4:30 PM

Bob Gollnik shared an update about changes to WisDOT TIP adoption deadlines and how this October meeting will allow LAPC to adopt the TIP in time to meet the new deadline.

Virtual is likely for this meeting to be flexible.

Noted to the Board that the date on the distributed agenda was incorrect and the actual proposed date for this special meeting is October 21, 2026.

MOTION by Tim Candahl/Scott Schumacher to approve a special October meeting of the Policy Board on October 21, 2026 at 4:30 PM. **Motion carried; four excused** (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

2027 POLICY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE – EVEN MONTHS

As noted in the previous agenda item. WisDOT timelines have changed, and to avoid an annual special October meeting, LAPC staff is proposing to move Policy Board meetings to even months instead of the odd months as it is now.

If approved, LAPC staff will draft a bylaw amendment to be approved at the next Policy Board meeting.



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MOTION by Bob Stupi/Scott Schumacher to approve LAPC staff drafting a bylaw amendment to change the LAPC Policy Board meeting schedule to even months. **Motion carried; four excused** (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

AMERICORPS COMMUNITY CORPS HOST SITE

Bob shared some context about the Mobility Manager role as a recommendation in several area plans and the opportunity the AmeriCorps program provides to create this position.

This position will be a part-time (18 hours/week) and be active for one year.

Bob Gollnik described the desired function of a Mobility Manager and the deadline to select a candidate.

The cost to LAPC will be approximately \$2,000 – \$4,000 as a cost share agreement for the AmeriCorps program.

MOTION by Tina Tryggstad/Paula Przywojski to approve LAPC hosting an AmeriCorps Community Corps position for the Mobility Manager role. **Motion carried; four excused** (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

WISDOT MAJORS UPDATE – Michelle Howe, PE, Majors Supervisor/Matt Messina

Michael Miller, Michelle Howe, and Michael Richardson presented an update on the status of the US Highway 53, 35, and 16 Majors projects. Up-to-date information on the Majors projects can be found [here](#).

Another public involvement meeting is to be held later this year.

COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN (SS4A) UPDATE

Travis Key shared an update on the SS4A planning grant project. The Task Force provided feedback on the three (3) selected concept designs and Bolton & Menk will soon share draft copies of the final Safety Action Plan to the Project Management Team for review.

TRANSIT UPDATE: RTA FEASIBILITY STUDY, REGIONAL TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Travis Key shared an update on the implementation of the RTA Feasibility Study. LAPC, in collaboration with the Wisconsin Chapter of the Sierra Club, will be hosting a regional roundtable discussion on RTA legislation as part of a larger state-wide discussion.

Travis Key shared that the Transit Development Plan's public survey is open through the end of July, and after comments have been compiled, draft recommendations will be developed and shared with local transit agencies for feedback.

FRA RCE – RAIL CROSSING ELIMINATION (RCE) UPDATE: Brice Prairie/Town of Onalaska, La Crescent

Bob Gollnik shared that the Brice Prairie RCE project is well underway with the Project Management Plan being drafted by SRF to be reviewed by LAPC and FRA staff shortly.

La Crescent's RCE grant has interviewed and selected their consultant for the project and will be similarly kicking off their project.

DIRECTOR AND STAFF REPORT (ATTACHED)/SPECIAL PROJECT UPDATES

Bob Gollnik reiterated that a special Policy Board meeting will need to be held in October to accommodate a new TIP adoption timeline.

2027 BUDGET OVERVIEW AND SUMMARY

Bob Gollnik notified Policy Board members that dues letters have been sent out.

MEMBER UPDATES OR REQUESTS



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Members of the Policy Board shared local updates and no requests were made.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION by Scott Schumacher/Paula Przywojski to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously; four excused** (Shaundel Washington-Spivey, Mike Poellinger, Steve Elsen, Dan Kapanke).

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting.

Recorded by Travis Key

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

RESOLUTION 9 – 2026

AMENDING THE

2025 - 2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the La Crosse / La Crescent Planning Area

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation regulations require the development and approval of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the metropolitan planning area by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, the La Crosse Area Planning Committee approved the 2025-2028 TIP on November 20, 2024;

And,

WHEREAS, since adoption of the TIP, the La Crosse Area Planning Committee approved to add the illustrative year 2029 to the TIP and was previously incorrectly referred to as 2025-2029 TIP on November 19, 2025 (Res 13-2025).

And,

WHEREAS, since adoption of the TIP, Changes to funding, project description, state project ID, and/or construction/design schedules have been made to two (2) projects:

243-23-016	Safe Public Rail Access (EFL App# WI 98), New access road, parking lot and railroad crossing signals to Upper Mississippi National Wildlife Refuge (0.1 miles north of B-32-0163 on WIS 35) USF&W providing match funding
243-23-023	USH 53, La Crosse – Galesville (STH 35 to IH 90), Reconstruct, Design Obligated in 2023 & 2026, Construction Anticipated 2028-2032, Master Group TIP #: 243-22-021

And,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse Area Planning Committee, hereby, approves referring to this TIP as the 2025-2028 TIP again and approves of the amendment to the 2025-2028 TIP table and document as reflected in the attachment.

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

Patrick Barlow, Chair

Bob Gollnik, Executive Director

Dated: September 16, 2026

2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Amended Projects - September 16, 2026										*NOTE: Total Improvement Cost idicates past and future project phases which may be outside the four-year TIP cycle and is for illustrative purposes only.															
ID	Agency	Plan Revision	Title	Narrative Description of Changes	State ID	Description	Type	County	Fund Types (All)	Total Cost	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	Future	Federal	State	Local	CAPT	Const	Non Infr.	OA	PE	ROW
243-23-016	Town of Shelby	2026-09	Safe Public Rail Access (EFL App# WI 98)	EFL App# WI 98	Updated funding	Safe Public Rail Access (EFL App# WI 98), New access road, parking lot and railroad crossing signals to Upper Mississippi National Wildlife Refuge (0.1 miles north of 8-32-0163 on WIS 35) USF&W providing match funding	Other		FLAP, Local	\$1,726,644	\$0	\$0	\$1,726,644	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,381,315	\$0	\$345,329	\$0	\$1,726,644	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-23-023	State of Wisconsin	2026-09	USH 53, La Crosse - Galesville (STH 35 to IH 90), Reconstr	1630-09-01, 1630-09-02, 1630-09-21, 1630-09-22, 1630-09-23, 1630-09-24, 1630-09-25, 1630-09-26, 1630-09-27, 1630-09-28, 1630-09-51, 1630-09-60, 1630-09-70, 1630-09-71, 1630-09-72, 1630-09-73, 1630-09-74, 1630-09-75, 1630-09-76, 1630-09-77, 1630-09-78	New RR ID added	USH 53, La Crosse - Galesville (STH 35 to IH 90), Reconstruct, Design Obligated in 2023 & 2026, Construction Anticipated 2028-2032, Master Group TIP #: 243-22-021	Reconstruction		MAJORS - WI, MAJORS - WI (BONDS), NHPP	\$120,929,500	\$1,750,373	\$0	\$10,915,467	\$303,000	\$2,100,580	\$105,860,080	\$94,133,888	\$26,795,612	\$0	\$0	\$106,863,621	\$0	\$0	\$12,690,373	\$1,415,500

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

RESOLUTION 10 – 2026

APPROVING THE

2027 - 2030 Minnesota Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) List for the La Crosse / La Crescent Planning Area

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation regulations require the development and approval of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the metropolitan planning area by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning and programming process for TIP/STIP coordination; and

WHEREAS, the schedules for the adoption of the District 6 ATIP and Minnesota STIP recommend that the LAPC approve the Minnesota projects list by July 31;

And,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the LAPC approves the attached Minnesota project list for the *2027-2030 La Crosse and La Crescent Metropolitan Area Transportation Improvement Program* as constituting the final Minnesota TIP, consistent with the District 6 ATIP and Minnesota STIP;

And,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the LAPC will approve in October 2026 the 2027-2030 Wisconsin TIP projects list which will include the approved 2027-2030 Minnesota TIP projects list.

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Bob Gollnik, Executive Director
Dated: September 16, 2026

2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program Minnesota Projects - September 16, 2026						*NOTE: Total Improvement Cost indicates past and future project phases which may be outside the four-year TIP cycle and is for illustrative purposes only.																			
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243-09-015	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent Transit Operating Assistance (5307)	TRF-3780-24, TRF-3780-25, TRF-3780-26, TRF-3780-27	SECT 5307: City of La Crescent Transit Operating Assistance (5307)	Transit		5307, Local	\$2,062,058	\$790,372	\$411,636	\$423,736	\$436,314		\$0	\$0	\$431,680	\$0	\$1,630,378	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,062,058	\$0	\$0
243-24-025	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent, CRP, 2 Evs for Municipal Use	236-080-005, 236-080-006	**CRP** City of La Crescent: Lease 2 Electric Vehicles for Municipal Use	Other		CRP, Local	\$44,000	\$44,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,000	\$0	\$12,000	\$44,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-24-037	State of Minnesota	Adoption 2027-2030	MnDOT CRP Set Aside	8806-CRPLA-27, 8806-CRPLA-28	**CRP** LAPC CARBON REDUCTION SET ASIDE	Other			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-24-038	State of Minnesota	Adoption 2027-2030	MN 16, MnDOT ELLE, Mill & Overlay	2805-75	**ELLE** ON MN 16 FROM 0.37 MI. W. TH 61 TO TH 61, ON TH 61 FROM 0.3 MI E TH 16/61 TO 4TH ST. LT, BITUMINOUS MILL AND OVERLAY - TIED PROJCT 2801-91	Pavement Replacement		Local, NHPP, State-MN	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,015,145	\$459,855	\$25,000	\$0	\$2,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-25-017	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent, Rail Corridor Study, RCE Planning Grant		RAILROAD CROSSING ELIMINATION (RCE) PLANNING GRANT, LA CRESCENT RAIL CORRIDOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, PLANNING ANTICIPATED IN 2027-2027	Rail		Local, RCE	\$287,000	\$287,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$229,600	\$0	\$57,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$287,000	\$0	\$0
243-25-025	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent, SRTS Bike/Ped Structures	236-591-003	CITY OF LA CRESCENT - CONSTRUCT 8 WALKING AND BIKING STRUCTURES, CITY OF LA CRESCENT - SAE ROUTES TO SCHOOL	Other		Local, TAP	\$447,200	\$0	\$447,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$223,280	\$0	\$223,920	\$447,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-25-026	State of Minnesota	Adoption 2027-2030	I 90, Dresbach Bridges, Resurface Mainline Bridge	8581-01	RESURFACE MAINLINE BRIDGES ON I-90 OVER MISSISSIPPI, DRESBACH BRIDGES 85801 & 85802 (Ref. TIP Bx 243-24-026 & 243-27-011)	Bridge Rehab		Local, NHPP, State-MN	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,500,000	\$500,000	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-25-028	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent, CRP, LED Street Light Upgrades	8806-CRPLA-27, 8806-CRPLA-28	**CRP** CITY OF LA CRESCENT: LED STREET LIGHTING UPGRADES, WALNUT STREET FROM S. 3RD ST. TO WALNUT PL., INCLUDING SHORT SEGMENT ON N. 4TH ST.	Other		CRP, Local	\$240,000	\$0	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,000	\$0	\$219,000	\$240,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-26-020	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	C La Crescent, TH 16 and Chestnut St Multiuse Trail	236-090-006	CITY OF LA CRESCENT TRAIL EXTENSION ALONG CHESTNUT ST AND HWY 16	Other		Local, TAP	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,575,000	\$0	\$525,000	\$0	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-27-010	City of La Crescent	Adoption 2027-2030	La Crescent CRP, Redwood St E, RRB	236-107-001	**CRP**INSTALL RRB AT A MID-BLOCK CROSSING OF REDWOOD ST EAST IN LA CRESCENT	Other		CRP, Local	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,000	\$0	\$6,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
243-27-011	State of Minnesota	Adoption 2027-2030	Maintenance and repair of mainline bridges on I-90 over the Mississippi River	8581-02	I 90, JOINTS AND DRAINAGE REPAIRS FOR BRIDGE NOS. 85801 & 85802 OVER MISSISSIPPI RIVER (Ref. TIP Bx 243-24-026 & 243-25-026)	Bridge Rehab		Local, NHPP, State-MN	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$5,400,000	\$600,000	\$6,000,000	\$0	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

La Crosse Area Planning Committee
RESOLUTION 11 – 2026
APPROVING THE
*Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan Targets for the
Onalaska Shared Ride (DriftLink)*

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation established seven (7) performance measures for the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) as detailed in 49 USC 5329 Public transportation safety program; and

WHEREAS, DriftLink has coordinated with the La Crosse Area Planning Committee in the development of their PTASP safety targets and has approved and certified its Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the LAPC has 180 days from the approval of the DriftLink targets to either agree to plan and program projects so that they contribute to the accomplishment of those targets or coordinate with the agency to develop planning area-wide targets; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the La Crosse Area Planning Committee agrees to plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of the following PTASP targets for 2026:

Measure	Target
Total number of reportable fatalities	0.0
Rate of reportable fatalities per 100,000 VRM	0.0
Total number of reportable injuries	0.0
Rate of reportable injuries per 100,000 VRM	0.0
Total number of reportable safety events	1.0
Rate of reportable safety events per 100,000 VRM	0.1
Average distance between major mechanical failures	322,848.9

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

Patrick Barlow, Chair

Bob Gollnik, Executive Director
Dated: September 16, 2026

2026 Onalaska Shared Ride (DriftLink) Public Transit Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Targets

Goal: DriftLink will utilize a safety management systems framework to identify safety hazards, mitigate risk and reduce casualties and occurrences resulting from transit operations.

OBJECTIVE/OUTCOME	METRICS	BASELINE ¹	2026 TARGET ²
Reduce the number of reportable fatalities	Total number of reportable fatalities	0.0	0.0
	Rate of reportable fatalities per total vehicle revenue miles	0.0	0.0
Reduce the number of reportable injuries	Total number of reportable injuries	0	0
	Rate of reportable injuries per total vehicle revenue miles	0	0
Reduce the number of reportable safety events	Total number of reportable safety events	1.0	1.0
	Rate of reportable safety events per total vehicle revenue miles	0.46	0.1
Reduce mean distance between major mechanical failures	Average distance between major mechanical failures	215,905.9	322,848.90
¹ 5-year average for the 5-yr period ending with the year of most recent data (2024). ² Best outcome of the 5-year averages for the three most recent 5-year periods (2016-2020, 2017-2021, 2018-2022, 2019-2023) inclusive of the baseline period (2020-2024).			

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

RESOLUTION 12 - 2026

AMENDING THE

2026 Planning Work Program for the La Crosse Area Planning Committee

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation regulations require the development and annual approval of a Planning Work Program (PWP) for the metropolitan planning area by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, the La Crosse Area Planning Committee (LAPC) approved its 2026 Unified Planning Work Program on November 19, 2025; and

[WHEREAS, amendments may be made to the Planning Work Program and budget to reflect changes in programming or funding throughout the calendar year; and]

WHEREAS, the LAPC has developed its 2026 Planning Work Program to identify staff work activities, consultant studies, multimodal planning tasks, and federally required MPO responsibilities for the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 117-58 requires MPOs to allocate a minimum of 2.5 percent of FHWA metropolitan planning (PL) funds toward Safe & Accessible Transportation Options (SATO), also known as Complete Streets, to increase safe and accessible options for all modes and users; and

WHEREAS, the LAPC's 2026 PWP integrates SATO-eligible work into the 600 Element, including multimodal safety planning, bicycle and pedestrian system evaluation, transit coordination, and accessibility initiatives across the bi-state region; and

WHEREAS, the LAPC continues to support regional safety planning through the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program and intends to advance Action Plan recommendations through coordinated implementation-readiness activities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the La Crosse Area Planning Committee hereby amends the 2026 Planning Work Program to expand the scope of Safe & Accessible Transportation Options (SATO) activities, authorizing staff to undertake any SATO-eligible planning or implementation-readiness work—including multimodal safety analysis, corridor scoping, feasibility and concept development, SS4A Action Plan implementation-planning, stakeholder coordination, and preparation of grant-ready materials—consistent with federal Complete Streets requirements and allowable SATO funding.

Updates are proposed on p.19 of the PWP, and highlighted below.

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

Patrick Barlow, Chair

Bob Gollnik, Executive Director

Dated: September 16, 2026

Amended Language Highlighted Below

600 Safe & Accessible Transportation Options (SATO)

2026 Staff Hours: 2,828

2026 Budget: \$181,240.74

Objective

This element accounts for the set-aside of Safe & Accessible Transportation Options (SATO)—also known as Complete Streets—established under the Public Law 117-58. The Act requires MPOs to allocate at least 2.5% of FHWA federal planning (PL) funds to Complete Streets activities that “increase safe and accessible options for multiple travel modes for people of all ages and abilities” [§11206(b)].

Eligible LAPC activities are identified in this section (600 Element) of the LAPC Unified Planning Work Program. As a bi-state MPO, the LAPC must dedicate a minimum of \$1,361 (2.5% of MN FHWA funds) in Complete Streets activities for Minnesota and \$4,751 (2.5% of WI FHWA funds) for Wisconsin. In addition, the total FTA SATO set-aside available to the LAPC requiring no local match is \$56,352.74 (Wisconsin) and \$17,527 (Minnesota). In total, a minimum of \$79,991.75 is available in SATO match funding for 2026.

Previous Work

- Released a competitive RFP for a project to support Regional Transit Development Plan implementation activities (SATO 2025) (Project Value: \$75,000) and kicked off project in July 2025. Key components of the Regional Transit Authority Feasibility Study include:
 - Create a blueprint for optimal coordination among regional transit providers
 - Improve connections among regional service providers, including trip planning and travel training strategies
 - Complete project and evaluate next steps in Q2 2026

2026 Work Goals

Upcoming

- Continue and complete the RTA Feasibility Study by May 30, 2026 (\$30,000). Timeline: Complete by May 30, 2026.
 - Promote findings of the study and facilitate events and workshops to educate public, practitioners, and elected officials on approaches to RTAs.
- Facilitate discussions with La Crosse County board members to identify paths forward regarding transit. In April 2026, the board voted to prioritize the exploration of multi-jurisdictional agreements for regional transit services, in the wake of the SMRT Bus discontinuation. Specifically, the board adopted the following initiative: “Establish a committee dedicated to improving transit in La Crosse County. Focus areas include investigating a Multi-County/Multi-Jurisdictional Transit Commission, evaluating mobility needs and barriers, and improving coordination of services among transit providers of La Crosse County municipalities. The committee will be comprised of municipalities and supported by MPO and County Staff.”
- Update the [Regional Transit Development Plan](#) (adopted 2021) feasibility study to begin in Q1 2026 (SATO). Timeline: Q1 2025 – Q1 2026. Key elements of the plan update will address:

- **Plan Overview & Progress Since 2021** – Summarize the purpose of the update, review accomplishments under the previous plan, and identify key changes or lessons learned.
- **Current Conditions & Trends** – Update demographic, land use, economic, and transportation data (including La Crosse County Housing Study findings), assess system performance, highlight emerging technologies and travel behaviors.
- **Goals, Needs & Priorities** – Revisit regional goals and performance measures, identify unmet needs and gaps across modes, set updated priorities for mobility, safety, sustainability, and community development.
- **Strategies & Implementation** – Consider regional trends, MTP objectives, RTA Feasibility Study Findings, and service impacts (including SMRT closure) to outline major transportation, land use, and policy strategies. Identify and refine project priorities, funding options, and partnership responsibilities. Create a 5-year action plan.
- Update and modernize the [Coulee Regional Bicycle Plan](#)
 - Using staff time allocated in the 600 Element, staff will analyze and update core components of the plan, with an emphasis on existing conditions, inventory and maps, and identifying areas for further analysis and strategy in a formal plan update. Staff anticipates a full plan update that is consultant-led in 2027 which will create comprehensive and equitable active transportation plan that identifies regional priorities for walking and bicycling infrastructure, incorporates a coordinated wayfinding and signage system, and outlines strategies to leverage biking and walking for local economic development.
- Assist communities with complete streets activities (i.e., “Week without Driving” Events, grant applications, area active transportation connections/bridge planning, SRTS activities, SS4A demonstration planning etc.)
- Manage and oversee a ½ time mobility manager position, funded by Marshfield Clinic Community Corps Program (AmeriCorps). The Mobility Manager will support regional mobility by assisting residents with navigating local transportation services, promoting transit options, strengthening coordination among agencies, and helping advance regional mobility initiatives. Duties include community outreach, rider support, trip planning, development of transit education materials, data collection, and support for collaborative transit projects and planning efforts.
- In Minnesota, the City of La Crescent will explore a South 7th Street Corridor Study. LAPC will support the study by using FTA and FHWA SATO funds to assist with **grant identification and preparation**, providing **Complete Streets–related analysis**, and developing **preliminary existing conditions** to inform alternatives. LAPC will begin in Q1 2025 and extend through Q4 2025.
 - The corridor study will evaluate South 7th Street to ensure it functions effectively as a through street and minor collector while maintaining a safe and livable residential environment. Complete Streets standards will guide design and operational recommendations. Coordination with MnDOT will address appropriate intersection treatments at Highway 16, Elm Street, and Oak Street to enhance safety and multimodal connectivity. The project will also include a redesign of Oak Street from South 6th to South 14th to improve conditions for all users—particularly near the Montessori School—and to align with the planned Transportation Alternatives (TA) project in 2029.
- Plan for future implementation (2027 and beyond) of SS4A Safety Action Plan recommendations, including identifying feasible project concepts, exploring design alternatives, assessing multimodal impacts, coordinating with jurisdictions, and preparing materials needed to advance projects toward funding or delivery. SS4A Action Plan will be completed in Q4 2026.

- Table 2 below illustrates LAPC’s UPWP funding that will be utilized for complete streets activities and SATO for Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Table 2: LAPC’s SATO Set-Aside Funding Amounts			
	LAPC SATO (\$)	FHWA SATO	FTA SATO
Wisconsin Funds	\$162,352.74	\$106,000.00	\$56,352.74
Minnesota Funds	\$18,888.00	\$1,361.00	\$17,527
Total(s)	\$ 181,240.74	\$107,361.00	\$73,879.74

La Crosse Area Planning Committee

RESOLUTION 13 – 2026

AMENDING

ARTICLE V OF THE LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE BYLAWS REGARDING MEETING SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the La Crosse Area Planning Committee (the “Committee”) is governed by Bylaws that provide the structure and rules by which the Committee operates; and

WHEREAS, Article V of the current Bylaws specifies that the regular meetings of the Committee are held in January, March, May, July, September, and November; and

WHEREAS, the Committee seeks to revise Article V of the Bylaws to establish regular meetings in even-numbered months to improve scheduling consistency and align with Committee workflow and reporting cycles; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the La Crosse Area Planning Committee that:

1. Amendment to Bylaws

Article V of the Bylaws of the La Crosse Area Planning Committee is hereby amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE V – Meetings

The regular meeting of the Committee shall be held on the third Wednesday of February, April, June, August, October, and December, as needed. Special meetings can be called by the Chair and/or shall be called upon the written request of three (3) Voting Members of the Committee. The purpose of the meeting shall be stated in the call, and, except in cases of emergency, at least one (1) week notice shall be given. Any Voting Member may have items placed on a future agenda of any regular or special meeting of the Committee. Agenda items may be added by the LAPC Executive Director relating to applicable LAPC business. Five (5) Voting Members or Designated Alternates of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

2. Effective Date

This amendment shall take effect January 1, 2027.

LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

Patrick Barlow, Chair

Bob Gollnik, Executive Director
Dated: September 16, 2026



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TASK/PROJECT	HIGHLIGHTS	NEXT STEPS
Metropolitan Transportation Plan	<i>Moving Ahead to 2055</i> was approved by State and Federal Partners, and adopted by the Policy Board on September 17, 2025. Most recently, staff coordinated with WisDOT and FHWA regarding an MTP amendment to account for Majors project implementation.	Ongoing implementation
E-TIP Implementation Project	Staff has been working with EcoInteractive weekly to transfer to an electronic TIP system. The most recent TIP amendment is being completed solely within the new electronic TIP system. Staff will continue to work with EcoInteractive to transition from onboarding and setup to continual maintenance and success of the platform.	Continue upkeep of the ETIP platform. Collaborate with WisDOT on the development of a new TIP Plan Cycle.
TIP Update	Erin drafted the 2027-2030 TIP Document and accompanying TIP List. Currently being review by state and federal partners before public comment beginning at the end of September.	Public comment period at the end of September; approval at the October 21 special meeting.
WI MPO MTP/LRTP Workgroup	Erin is leading an MPO-driven workgroup initiative to improve existing MTPs/LRTPs activities in Wisconsin and best practices nationwide. The group is currently consulting with WisDOT to develop guidance on financial planning within the MTP. Additionally, LAPC has been sharing experiences and lessons learned from the most recent Metropolitan Transportation Planning effort as other MPOs are starting their own updates.	Bi-monthly meetings, Best Practices Report and Recommendations
MPO Director's Quarterly Meeting	Staff attended quarterly meetings with WisDOT and MnDOT liasons and MPO representatives from both states. These quarterly meetings are opportunities for peer discussion on current challenges facing MPOs and share concerns with DOT staff. DOTs also share program updates and upcoming deadlines for core MPO products.	Continue to attend quarterly meetings.
Webinars and meetings	Travis attended the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, and the Historic Bluff Country Scenic Byway technical advisory committee meetings. Erin attended the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, the Mississippi River Parkway Commission, and Apple Blossom Drive Scenic Byway CMP meetings.	Continue to attend webinars and meetings relevant to potential opportunities.
Harbor Commission/Port Statistical Area	Bob has been working with Adam Binsfield (Joint Harbor Commission Chair), and La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce to create a MOU with the Prairie Du Chien Chamber of Commerce to move forward with PSA efforts and promote waterway access/economic development for the region. The initiative was formally announced on June 16, and LAPC will continue to support the effort. Bob spoke on behalf of the Northern Grain Belt Ports at the National Waterways Conference (Moline, IL) on August 26.	Advisory committee formation and discussion in August. Collaborate with La Crosse County on potential planning.
LAPC Regional Transit Authority Feasibility Study	All three technical memos, executive summary, and condensed executive summary have been completed. Since the completion of the RTA Feasibility Study, LAPC has presented the results to the City of Onalaska City Council, Wisconsin Local Governemnts Climate Coalition, and Sierra Club. LAPC, in collaboration with the Wisconsin Chapter of the Sierra Club, hosted a roundtable discussion with regional transit professionals and decision makers to discuss near-future RTA legislation elements. These elements include: mechanism of formation, opt-in or opt-out provisions,	Continue outreach/education.



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	fundraising mechanisms, board/council formation, and authorized uses of funds by an RTA.	
FRA RCE Grants	LAPC led an FRA RCE Grant Submittal on behalf of the Town of Onalaska (Brice Prairie), submitted on 9/19/24. LAPC supported an FRA RCE Grant for the City of La Crescent, submitted 9/23/24. Consultant interviews were 6/30. SRF consulting and their partners were selected by the review panel and LAPC received a final signed contract agreement on June 29th. Project kicked off on 7/9 and The project management plan was approved. Outreach and purpose & need are currently in initial phases.	Review with FRA the initial deliverables and kickoff public engagement.
SS4A	Since August 2025, staff has been working with Bolton & Menk on the development of the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. Three Task Force meetings have been held in fall, winter, and spring, along with some in-person engagement. The project management team has completed the review of the draft plan documents and are preparing to share the drafts with the Task Force in addition to the public for review.	Continue working with consultant on developing presentation materials to present the final plan and recommendations to the Task Force and local communities.
AASHTO Safety Training – Pilot Online Platform	LAPC was invited by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) to participate in a pilot of a new online safety data dashboard for Wisconsin. Travis and Erin participated in an online training session to learn the capabilities of the tool. It allows for users to analyze state crash data in ways not previously available outside of proprietary software applications.	Staff will continue to test the potential of the platform and capitalize on the platform during the pilot test period.
MNDOT Freight Network Optimization Tool	Bob is serving on the advisory steering committee for the FNOT , which aims to provide an online application that will provide both public and private sector users with the ability to analyze and visualize freight data in support of multimodal freight planning and supply chain analysis to reduce goods movement costs, create a more efficient freight network, and to support economic development across Minnesota. The tool is being deployed across the state.	As the tool moves from beta phase, determine uses in SE Minnesota.
Minnesota GO Update – Advisory Committee	Bob was invited to serve on the advisory committee. The project concluded in June and the final vision is available here: https://www.dot.state.mn.us/minnesotago/vision.html	Await MnDOT leadership review and Governor's Office approval.
La Crosse County Coordination	LAPC continues to support multiple La Crosse County initiatives, including a Housing Study, Strategic Planning, Comprehensive Plan Implementation Team, and a recently finalized Economic Development Plan. In addition, Bob continues to participate in monthly department head meetings. Recently, County supervisors voted to support transit as part of their strategic planning efforts, with the MPO facilitating that process. LAPC tabled at the ADRC's Senior Picnic event, promoting the new Mobility Manager position and educating residents on all kinds of transportation services.	Continue participating in relevant meetings and sharing information with LAPC members where applicable.



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Marshfield Clinic Community Corps	A half-time Mobility Manager position was approved by the program on July 5, 2026. A position description/job posting was distributed, and staff selected a candidate in August. The first day will be September 14, 2026 and last for a year until August 2027.	Onboard new staff and begin outreach with transit providers and community organizations.
ORA Trails Site Amenities	In September 2024, Outdoor Recreation Alliance invited LAPC to serve on a site amenities committee to assist on designs, amenities, and connectivity. Progress has been made on site planning, trail construction, and partner coordination. There are no recent updates.	Josh and Bob speak intermittently to discuss transportation and accessibility.
Mid America Freight Coalition	Coalition is a pooled fund research program comprised of 10 upper Midwest states. Bi-monthly meeting on August 6 covered natural resources/freight research topics, truck restrictions, annual meeting, peer to peer discussions, and annual meeting logistics.	Continue participating in regular meetings and monitor research.
La Crosse Air Services Workgroup	In 2024, La Crosse Area Development Corporation (LADCO) organized a workgroup of various stakeholders to discuss strategies to expand and 'rightsized' LSE services. Bob attends monthly meetings on behalf of LAPC, and in addition to regular discussions of services and strategy the airport announced a major service partnership with Allegiant Airlines in November 2025. The airport has seen success in early – mid 2026 with additional Allegiant and United routes planned for Q4 2026. LSE will consider SCASD grants in the next cycle to support continued growth.	Continue monthly meetings and support airport staff where practical.
University Connections	UW-La Crosse UWL has completed their commuting survey which included select questions from our SS4A survey. These questions will be included in the SS4A engagement summary. UW-Madison Staff has been coordinating with the civil engineering department for capstone projects. In the Spring Semester an RFP was developed for a utilities study the Village of West Salem, and students are currently collecting data and information.	<u>UW-La Crosse</u> Identify collaborative opportunities. <u>UW-Madison</u> Provide additional information as necessary and await decision on chosen project(s) in the upcoming semester.
Wisconsin Certified Public Manager	In October 2025, Bob enrolled in the Certified Public Manager (CPM) Program, facilitated by UW-Madison Extension. The 18 month program focuses on developing the following competencies: personal and organizational integrity, managing work, developing self, public service focus, systemic integration, leading people, and leading people. Classes typically meet twice monthly in a hybrid format.	Continue coursework.
Regional Transit Development Plan (RTDP) Update	Travis is leading an update of the RTDP. LAPC has met with the region's transit providers to conduct initial discussions related to the scope and purpose of the update. The results from the public survey have been compiled, including input collected from various other recent planning efforts, into an engagement overview. Themes and key points are being integrated into the plan document's recommendations.	Continue drafting the plan and present recommendations to Transit agencies for comments and collaboration.
Bluffland Coalition	Travis represents LAPC on the Bluffland Coalition. Travis has developed an online mapping tool as technical support for the Coalition to utilize during discussions and planning. Additionally, the Bluffland Coalition is exploring potential fiscal agents to support marketing, fundraising, and communication with partner agencies and the public.	Continue to attend Bluffland Coalition meetings and maintain developed web mapping materials.



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Title VI Update	Erin has been drafting the update to the Title VI Non-Discrimination and Limited-English Proficiency Plan. This plan discusses the regulatory requirements for compliance and process for identifying minority and limited-English proficient populations and provides vital documents in English, Hmong, and Spanish.	Public comment and adopting in November 2026
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