



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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**LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE
Minutes of July 20, 2022
Held in person and via Microsoft Teams**

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patrick Barlow, Linda Seidel, Scott Schumacher, Mike Poellinger, Stan Hauser, Kim Smith, Bob Stupi, Josh Johnson, Barb Janssen, Kim Smith
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Monica Kruse, Mike Poellinger, Tim Candahl
OTHERS PRESENT:	Peter Fletcher, Jackie Eastwood, Erin Klar (Recorder), Jane Klekamp, Bob Gollnik, Francis Schelfhout, Kathleen Stewart, James Kuehn, Joshua Pearson

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda Seidel called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was called.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Donald Smith expressed his concerns related to 2022-2025 TIP 243-19-020; Bridge Replacements along I-90 corridor from Highway 53 West to Minnesota.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2022 LAPC MEETING

MOTION by Stupi/Hauser to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2022 La Crosse Area Planning Committee meeting. **Motion carried unanimously with three excused; Poellinger, Candahl, Kruse.**

APPROVE AMENDING THE 2022-2025 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RESOLUTION 6-2022)

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). The La Crosse Area Planning Committee approved the 2022-2025 TIP on November 17, 2021. Since adoption of the TIP, four projects have been added. (1) STH 157 - Main St. City of Onalaska (5th Ave S TO 0.05 East of 17th Ave), Pavement Replacement, Design Anticipated in 2022, Construction Anticipated in 2029. (2) Leonard Street, Village of West Salem (Elm Street to Hamilton Street), Pavement Replacement, Design Anticipated in 2022, Construction Anticipated in 2025-2026. (3) Two (2) Clean Diesel Buses, City of La Crosse, Public Transportation; Funds obligation anticipated in 2022. (4) Four (4) Transit Vans, City of Onalaska, OHWS Public Transit, STP-Urban FFY22 approved by LAPC. One project has been removed from the List - STH 33, City of La Crosse, State Road & Losey Boulevard Intersection, Design Anticipated in 2021, Construction Anticipated in 2025-2026.

MOTION by Barlow/Stupi to approve amending the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program. **Motion carried unanimously with three excused; Poellinger, Candahl, Kruse.**



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APPROVE 2023-2026 MINNESOTA TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT LIST

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). The schedules for the adoption of the District 6 ATIP and Minnesota STIP require that the LACP approve the Minnesota projects list by July 31. The LACP approves the attached Minnesota project list for the 2023 - 2026 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. The LACP will approve in November 2022 the 2023-2026 TIP plan document, which will include the 2023-2026 Wisconsin TIP projects list and the approved 2023-2026 Minnesota TIP projects list. **MOTION** by Seidel/Stupi to approve 2023-2026 Tip Minnesota project list. **Motion carried unanimously with three excused; Poellinger, Candahl, Kruse.**

APPROVE WISCONSIN STP-BIL 2023-2026 PROGRAM PROJECT SELECTIONS/RANKINGS

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 (BIL) provided additional funding for the WisDOT STP-U Program. WisDOT established a June 3, 2022 deadline for accepting applications for the BIL FFY 2023-2026 STP-U Program solicitation. A total of thirteen applications were received for the MPO planning area. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) ranked the projects at their July 13th, 2022 meeting and recommends approval by the LACP Policy Board. **MOTION** by Hauser/Barlow to approve the selected projects for funding. **Motion carried unanimously with three excused; Poellinger, Candahl, Kruse.**

LACP BIL 2023-2026 STP-Urban Projects - Selected

LACP STP-U Allocation: \$5,324,184

STP-Urban Applications (Projects)

Municipality	Project	Total Project Cost	Federal Share (80%)	Local Share (20%)	LACP STP-U Selected Projects
La Crosse County	CTH OT (STH 35-CTH SN)	\$3,045,400	\$2,436,320	\$609,080	Funded at 80% \$2,436,320
City of Onalaska	Theater Rd. (STH OS – Midwest Dr.)	\$439,244	\$351,395	\$87,849	Funded at 80% \$351,395
City of La Crosse	Monitor St. (Rose St.-Lang Dr.)	\$3,344,000	\$1,726,000	\$1,618,000	Funded at 80% \$1,726,000
City of La Crosse	Green Bay St. (22 nd St. S – Losey Blvd.)	\$1,608,000	\$974,000	\$634,000	Funded at 67% \$810,469
				<i>Total</i>	<i>\$5,324,184</i>

Projects approved/ranked for funding by the LACP



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PRESENTATION ON THE MINNESOTA STATE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (MNDOT OFFICIALS)

Joshua Pearson presented on the Minnesota State Highway Improvement Plan. Minnesota is looking for input to determine which investments are most important. The need for road improvements is much greater than anticipated revenue. An online budget tool allows individuals to set the budget in twelve different areas in order to help MNDOT understand where the public believes the priorities should be. Goal is to have this wrapped up by late summer 2023.

DRAFT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The draft plan was presented by Peter Fletcher and reviewed by committee members. The plan was last updated in 2019. Any questions or concerns regarding the public participation plan can be directed to Peter or Jackie. The plan will be considered for approval at the September LAPC meeting.

2023 LAPC UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) BUDGET DISCUSSION

Additional federal funding is anticipated for 2023 and 2024. Jackie anticipates retiring at the end of 2023. Plan is to hire an additional staff person to work with Jackie and learn her position utilizing the additional federal funds. A more detailed plan will be brought in September and look to be approved in November.

DIRECTORS REPORT

- Working on arranging meeting with transportation partners.
- Application for port statistical area has been submitted.

OTHER BUSINESS - none noted.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Donald Smith's concerns regarding TIP Project.
- TIP Amendment
- Public Participation Plan
- 2023 UPWP

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION by Seidel/Stupi to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously with three excused; Poellinger, Candahl, Kruse.**

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

Recorded by Erin Klar