



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee Meeting, June 8, 2022

Minutes of the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee held at 2:30 pm on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 in room 1107 of the La Crosse County Administrative Center and by Microsoft Teams.

Members Present/On Call: Voting: Joe Langeberg; Chris Dahl; Jim Krueger; Stephanie Sward, alternate for Matt Gallager; Katie Aspenson, alternate for Jarrod Holter; Bob Fisher; Loren Schwier; Kurt Wayne; Ian Turner. Non-voting: Francis Schelfhout, WisDOT; Karl Buck, Wis FHWA. **Members Excused:** Bob Gollnik. **Guests and Staff:** Peter Fletcher, Jackie Eastwood.

Peter Fletcher called the meeting at 2:30 pm.

1) Approval of the minutes of the May 11, 2022 TAC meeting:

Joe Langeberg motioned to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2022 meeting; Stephanie Sward seconded. All were in favor.

2) Recommendation to approve amending the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program:

Peter Fletcher stated that the draft TIP list went through the public comment period with no comments.

Ian Turner motioned to recommend to the Policy Board to approve amending the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program as presented; Jim Krueger seconded. All were in favor.

3) Recommendation to approve a project application for the BIL FFY 22 STP-Urban Program:

Peter Fletcher stated that we did not know the allocation for this round of funding and had only one project submitted. The allocation turned out to be around \$850,000 more than the federal request for the submitted project. WisDOT was willing to accept a capital project application past the deadline so Mr. Fletcher approached MTU to see if they'd submit for new buses. The application is in the process of being finalized. This action would approve the application.

Katie Aspenson motioned to recommend to the Policy Board to accept the MTU STP-U application for two new buses; Joe Langeberg seconded. All were in favor.

4) STP-U BIL 2023-2026 Program project ranking:

Peter Fletcher stated that 13 applications totaling a federal request of \$21.8M were received. The allocation is not yet known. Staff went through the process of ranking the projects as based on the criteria, but the amount of information provided in the project descriptions was insufficient. Mr. Fletcher asked that in future applications to include information related to the criteria.

With much discussion over the anticipated funding amount, characteristics of the projects, community preferences, and TAC policy for awarding funds, Kurt Wayne motioned to recommend to the Policy Board to approve the rankings as follows: If the award is less than \$2M, the Onalaska Theater Rd project is ranked #1; La Crosse Green Bay St between 22nd St and Losey Blvd, #2; La Crosse State St, #3; La Crosse 16th St, #4; and La Crosse Green Bay St between 14th St and East Ave, #5. If the award is greater than \$2M, the La Crosse County CTH OT project is #1 and funded at 50% with the balance funding up to 80% Theater Rd, Green Bay St between 22nd St and Losey Blvd, State St, 16th St, and Green Bay St between 14th St and East Ave, which are ranked 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, respectively. Joe Langeberg seconded. All were in favor.

5) Other updates and information items:

None.

6) July 2022 agenda items:

Peter Fletcher stated that there is likely to be a 2022-2025 TIP amendment.

7) Other Business; Adjourn; Next meeting to be announced:

The next meeting will be held virtually and in person on Wednesday, July 13, 2022.

Ian Turner motioned to adjourn at 3:31 pm; Katie Aspenson seconded. All were in favor.