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Meeting Minutes - Approved LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 25, 2016

5:00 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 108 (City-County Building)

1 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Ken Golden called the 2-25-16 Long Range Transportation Planning Committee meeting to order.

Present: 8 - Ken Golden; Margaret Bergamini; Grant A. Foster; Paul E. Skidmore; Bradley A. Cantrell; Susan M. De Vos; Al Matano and Mark N. Shahan

Excused: 2 - James E. Polewski and Steve King

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the 10-29-15 LRTPC meeting were unanimously approved, on a motion submitted Mark Shahan/Brad Cantrell. Susan DeVos abstained, as she did not attend the meeting.

**A motion was made by Shahan, seconded by Cantrell, to Approve the Minutes.
The motion passed by voice vote/other.**

3 PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public wishing to speak to items not on the agenda.

4 DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals reported by Committee members.

NEW BUSINESS

5 [41866](#) Madison Area Transportation Planning Board (an MPO) 2050 Regional Transportation Plan Update

Bill Schaefer (Madison Area MPO) provided an overview of the Regional Transportation Plan process, now underway and planned to be completed by March 2017. He also summarized the role of the MPO in regional transportation planning and funding in the region.

Margaret Bergamini asked that the most up to date employment data be used, noting that Epic Systems in Verona has added many hundreds of employees each year over the past few years. She said that this will have a profound impact on travel demand in the region.

Committee members asked how the MPO decides which projects are funded and which are not. Bill Schaefer said that there is a scoring system that has been used for years, and has been modified over time. He said that local units of government (such as the City of Madison) submit projects that they would like to construct each year, and that the scoring system is used to determine which ones are selected for funding. He added that there is a 50% local match required. Chair Ken Golden asked that the Committee be provided an overview of the scoring criteria at a future meeting, as well as a review of how projects are funded in Dane County and the Madison urban area.

Grant Foster asked that some of the mapping be more consistent, where the colors used represent positive or negative. He also asked that bicycle level of service be used to highlight locations along the primary bicycle network where gaps exist, and where priorities should be placed on fixing the biking conditions. He added that locations with bicycle crashes or fatalities could be highlighted as areas needing improvement.

Mark Shahan also said that a similar approach could be used to determine Tier 1 sidewalk priorities, such as those along transit routes. He said that there should not be a condition where people have to wait for a bus out in the middle of the road, which is especially problematic in winter.

Susan DeVos said that the assumptions being made about parking availability and cost are important in the evaluation. She hoped that alternative approaches to dealing with parking should be considered as part of the planning process.

6 [41868](#) Overview of Results and Findings: CARPC Regional Public Values and Priorities Survey

Bill Schaefer summarized the key findings and conclusions of the Regional Community Values and Priorities Survey. David Trowbridge said that the conclusions of the survey reinforce the direction of Madison in Motion, which is encouraging investment in roadway maintenance, public transit and support for strong regional land use planning.

Committee members appreciated the update and looked forward to reviewing more detailed findings, as they are developed over time.

7 [41869](#) **UPDATE ON PROJECT PROGRESS: MADISON IN MOTION,
SUSTAINABLE MADISON TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN (TMP)**

David Trowbridge provided a brief update of progress being made for the Madison in Motion transportation plan. He summarized the bicycle network recommendations (which includes primary and secondary systems, geared for those cyclists most interested in comfort vs. speed of travel). He also summarized various street cross-sections that are being recommended, to better accommodate bicycle travel along these corridors (for local, collector and arterial streets).

Grant Foster said that the bicycle planning should be geared toward providing a comfortable bicycling environment for users of all ages, from age 8 to 80.

Ken Golden asked that bicycle paths be discussed as bike and walking paths. He said that , noting that there could be a much higher level of support if people truly understood paths and multi-use facilities, which they are intended to be.

8 [08484](#) **INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CHAIR AND COMMISSION MEMBERS**

- Note: No Discussion of Specific Items

There were no announcements or information submitted by the Chair or Committee members.

9 [08486](#) **SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

David Trowbridge noted that the next Committee meeting will be held March 31st, and will include a review of the MPO's project evaluation criteria.

10 **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned its meeting at 7:10 p.m.