



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

Under the existing agreement establishing the MPO the City of Madison provides funding to match Federal, State, and other funding to support the operations of the MPO. This responsibility will continue under the redesignation.

Title

Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement to redesignate the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Madison Urbanized area.

Body

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Madison Urbanized Area is charged, under Title 23U.S.C., Section 134, as the organization responsible for undertaking a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing transportation planning and decision making program for the Madison Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, during the Federal recertification process for the existing Madison area MPO in 2005 and 2006, it was determined by the Federal Highway Administration that the Madison Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board structure and membership was not in compliance with Federal requirements and that the MPO would need to go through the redesignation process to affect the necessary changes to bring the MPO policy board into compliance; and

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2006 the Madison Area MPO Policy Board took the first step in the process and approved changes to the structure and membership of the board to bring the board into compliance with federal requirements and to better reflect the increase in the number of units of government within the Metropolitan Planning area which increased in size, following the 2000 census; and

WHEREAS, a new agreement that formerly redesignates the new Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Madison Urbanized Area has been drafted for consideration by the local units of government within the area; and

WHEREAS, the new agreement must be approved by the governor and those units of general purpose local government that together represent at least 75% of the population within the MPO Planning Area including the City of Madison as the largest incorporated city; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney's Office and the Planning Unit have participated in the drafting of the new agreement and recommend it's approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council hereby approves the redesignation agreement titled "An Agreement Redesignating the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Madison Urbanized Area" dated November 22, 2006 and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.