

Minutes

BMCMPO Technical Advisory Committee Wednesday March 26, 2025 10:00 am – 11:30 am

LOCATION: Bloomington City Hall – Council Chambers & Virtual Location via Zoom Zoom Link: <u>https://bloomington.zoom.us/j/3521634803</u> Meeting ID: 352 163 4803 | Passcode: BMCMPO

Members Present: John Baeten (Vice Chair), Charlie Moore (P), Kendall Knoke (P), John Connell, Jane Fleig, Ryan Robling (P), Jackie Jelen, Cheryl Gilliland (P), Nate Nickel (Chair), Linnea Wellings (P), Paul Satterly, John Robertson (P), Hunter Jackson (P)

Staff Present: Patrick Martin, Katie Gandhi

Guests: 4 online

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting convened at 10:03am with Nickel presiding.

- II. Approval of Meeting Agenda*
 **Baeten moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Robling seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (13-0).*
- III. Approval of Minutes* a. February 26, 2025

Baeten shared thoughts about the state's agenda remove DEI and environmental justice from federally required documents, including the TIP, which was discussed at the previous TAC meeting.

**Baeten moved for approval of the February 26, 2025 meeting minutes. Robling seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (12-0). One (1) member abstained.*

- IV. Communications from the Chair and Vice Chair
 - a. Nickel appreciated the efforts of Monroe County, City of Bloomington, and Town of Ellettsville with the work done to clean up from the rough winter we had!
- V. Reports from Officers and/or Committees

- a. None.
- VI. Reports from the MPO Staff
 - a. <u>BMCMPO FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program</u> update/resolution to fiscal constraint and agency summary tables
 Gandhi, MPO Staff shared the updates that have been made to the fiscal
 - constraint table from FY2026-2030 TIP since it was approved.
 - b. <u>Crash Hub/Crash Dashboard</u> introduction

Gandhi shared an overview of this new data tool available to the public. Jelen asked about the current county crash report and the possibility of streamlining of crash reporting in the future. Baeten shared his experience with the Indiana state crash report database and commented that this is a great resource.

- c. Local Government Stakeholder Session for the <u>INDOT Design Manual</u> update Gandhi shared information about a recent stakeholder session with INDOT (attended by Cibor and Gandhi) regarding updates to their design manual and transportation safety in Indiana.
- d. 2026-2030 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) see <u>public</u> <u>primer</u>
 - (1) Public Open Houses: Wednesday, April 30, 4-6 p.m. City of Bloomington City Hall Council Chambers, 401 N. Morton St. Bloomington, IN 47404
 - (2) Virtual open houses: Thursday, April 3, at 1 p.m. and Thursday, April 24, at 5 p.m. Visit https://forms.office.com/g/E05KvPp8PU to register.

(3) Public Comment Period: April 1 through May 16, 2025. Public comment form Gandhi shared information about upcoming public input and information sessions for the INDOT FY2026-2030 STIP.

- e. Updates on BMCMPO Projects (projects using federal funding allocated through the BMCMPO)
 - (1) City of Bloomington Knoke shared updates
 - (a) N Dunn St Multiuse Path Project (between bypass and Griffy): a public meeting is scheduled for March 27 (in-person only) at Lower Cascades Park project website; calendar event. The first step is choosing which side of the road to place the path on.
 - (b) 1st Street: currently finish asphalt surfacing at the Fairview intersection. Project should wrap up this spring.
 - (c) High St multi-use path: High St is continuing to work with INDOT on ROW acquisition; construction hopefully to start in early 2026
 - (d) 2nd Street: is currently waiting on environmental approval from INDOT; contractor bids will be accepted starting in August.
 - (e) B-Line Trail extension (west of Adams): work is mostly complete but a block of it adjacent to the railroad was delayed for environmental remediation should wrap up this spring
 - (2) Monroe County Satterly shared updates

- (a) Pedestrian Trail Crossing Improvements Project: this is for the installation of rapid flashing beacons/warning lights at crossings to be installed at <u>7</u> <u>locations</u> along limestone greenway, Bloomington Rail Trail and Clear Creek Trail will be starting this spring and should finish by June
- (b) Karst Farm Trail: traffic signals and pedestrian crossing lights are functional; a walk through should occur soon
- (c) Vernal Pike Connector Road and Bridge at Sunrise Greetings Ct: beam setting is in progress this month
- (d) Fullerton Pike Project: working on a soundwall for the next month; clean up and opening of phase 1 from Wickens to Rockport should occur by early May
- (3) Bloomington Transit
 - (a) Working on the acquisition of a new property
- I. Old Business
 - a. None.
- II. New Business
 - a. BMCMPO FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendments*
 - (1) INDOT CONTRACT #45246, DES #2300919 & 2300920 Rockport Rd N Bridge over I 69 NB/SB and Tapp Rd Bridge over I-69 NB/SB (existing projects; shift funding to different fiscal year)

Gandhi shared information about the TIP amendment under consideration. Satterly asked about traffic management plan for the project - requested that INDOT keep at least a single lane open during the project. Staff will follow up with INDOT.

**Baeten moved to recommend approval of the one (1) BMCMPO FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendment. Fleig seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (13-0).*

b. BMCMPO FY 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – Adoption*

Gandhi shared information about the BMCMPO FY 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

**Baeten moved to recommend approval of BMCMPO FY 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Robling seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (13-0).*

III. Public Comment on Matters Not Included on the Agenda (non-voting items)

Limited to five minutes per speaker, and may be reduced by the committee if numerous people wish to speak

- a. Online guest shared that they would like additional field from ARIES to be published so that more detailed analysis can occur on each crash. Staff will follow up.
- IV. Communications from Committee Members on Matters Not Included on the Agenda (nonvoting items)
 - a. Communications (1) None
 - b. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas (1) None
- V. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. Policy Committee: April 11, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
 - b. Technical Advisory Committee: April 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid)
 - c. Citizens Advisory Committee: April 23, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
- VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

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