



Minutes

BMCMPO Policy Committee

Regular Meeting

Friday April 11, 2025

1:30 –3:00 pm

Members Present: Andrew Cibor (P), Lisa Ridge, Hopi Stosberg, Scott Faris, Dan Swafford, Chris Wahlman, Nate Nickel (P), Jason Banach, John Kennedy (V), David Henry (V), Jody Madeira (V)

Staff Present: Pat Martin, Katie Gandhi

Guests: 2, virtual

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting convened at 1:32pm with Lisa Ridge, Chair presiding.

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda*

****Cibor moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Stosberg seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote (11-0). * APPROVED**

III. Approval of Minutes*

a. March 14, 2025

****Stosberg moved for approval of the March 14, 2025 meeting minutes. Faris seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote (11-0). * APPROVED**

IV. Communications from the Chair and Vice Chair

a. **None.**

V. Reports from Officers and/or Committees

a. **Kennedy, CAC representative, shared that the CAC recommended approval of the TIP amendment and UPWP (on today's PC agenda) at their March 26th meeting.**

b. **Nickel, TAC representative, shared that the TAC recommended approval of the TIP amendment and UPWP (on today's PC agenda) at their March 26th meeting.**

VI. Reports from the MPO Staff

a. [BMCMPO FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#) – update **Gandhi** shared that the FY 2026-2030 TIP has been submitted to INDOT and Federal Highway and Federal Transit for review and approval.

b. [BMCMPO 2050 MTP](#) – update **Gandhi** shared that the BMCMPO 2050 MTP has been submitted to INDOT for review and approval. Faris requested that the committee consider voting to amend the MTP so that any SR45/10th St projects, which are

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currently listed as a near-term/programmed projects in the MTP, also be listed as long-term project. Faris summarized the existing safety concerns for SR45/10th. Ridge shared there have been discussions about INDOT's recent installation of the all-way stop and whether or not there may be other solutions, at the local or INDOT level, for upgrading that intersection to a stop light (or something else besides an all-way stop) while the road updates are under design. Discussion ensued.

- c. 2026-2030 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
 - (1) *Resources:* [public primer](#), [STIP webpage](#)
 - (2) *Local in-person public meeting:* Wednesday, April 30, 4-6 p.m. City of Bloomington City Hall Council Chambers, 401 N. Morton St. Bloomington, IN 47404
 - (3) *Other in-person public meetings:* South Bend, Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Bloomfield
 - (4) *Virtual Open houses:* Thursday, April 3, at 1 p.m. and Thursday, April 24, at 5 p.m. Visit [STIP website](#) to register.
 - (5) *Public Comment Period:* April 1 through May 16, 2025.
 - (a) [Public comment form and map survey](#)

Gandhi shared that INDOT is currently seeking feedback and scheduling public meetings regarding the STIP. One of the meetings will take place in Bloomington. Please share your input.
- d. [BMCMPPO Projects](#) (projects using federal funding allocated through the BMCMPPO) – update **Gandhi shared updates for local projects, which were provided by City and County engineers at the TAC meeting.**
- e. State Road updates - SR46 to Ellettsville, Smith & SR45 **Gandhi shared recent news about INDOT's recent announcements to reduce the speed on SR46 through Ellettsville and to install a stop sign at SR45 and Smith (see packet for image and details); both changes have been implemented. See packet for more information.**
- f. Recent federal grants received by LPAs
 - (1) HSIP Safety Special Call (December 2024)
 - (2) Community Crossings (March 2025)

Gandhi shared news about recent federal grants received by local public agencies. MPO did not assist, but we want to help spread the news. Congrats to the recipients!

VII. Old Business

- a. **None**

VIII. New Business

- a. BMCMPPO 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 project; change request is to shift funding to different fiscal year*)

Gandhi shared information about the most recent INDOT TIP amendments as detailed in the attached memo. Stosberg inquired about the reason for the shift; Wahlman

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shared that the funding was moved up because they have another group of thin deck overlays on I-69 so they wanted to bundle them.

****Stosberg moved for approval of all BMCMPPO FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendments. Cibor seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote (10-0). * APPROVED**

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

Martin shared information about the BMCMPPO FY 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – FY2026 update, which covers the time period July 1 2025 through June 30 2026. Stosberg asked about INDOT’s feedback on the goals listed in this document. Ridges asked if there were any new items for this year’s update that might restrict the LPAs. Ridge asked if all funds are allocated and used each year. Stosberg and Faris asked about and commented on public participation and visibility for this document. Discussion ensued.

****Cibor moved for approval of all BMCMPPO FY 2025-2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – FY2026 update. Nickel seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote (10-0). * APPROVED.**

IX. 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. None

X. Communications from Committee Members on Matters Not Included on the Agenda (non-voting items)

a. Communications

b. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas

(1) Faris commented on the changes to City Church in the past years, the presence of University Elementary, and the traffic these institutions both create during peak times. Faris recommended the formation of a group of city, county, INDOT stakeholders to brainstorm options for installing a stoplight at Smith and 10th, and asked for someone to lead the coordination of the meeting. Ridge agreed set up a meeting.

XI. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Technical Advisory Committee: April 23, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid)
- b. Citizens Advisory Committee: April 23, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
- c. Policy Committee: May 9, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. (Hybrid)

XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:39pm.

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