

Minutes

BMCMPO Policy Committee

Regular Meeting

Friday December 12, 2025

1:30 pm

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Members Present: Nate Nickel (P), Doug Horn, Hopi Stosberg, Jillian Kinzie (V), John Kennedy, Jody Madeira (P), Andrew Cibor (P), Lisa Ridge, Scott Faris (P), Robin Bolte (P)(V)

Staff Present: Katie Gandhi

Guests: None.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting convened at 1:30 pm with Lisa Ridge, Chair presiding.

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda* *PACKET PAGES 1-3*

**Horn moved for approval of the November 19, 2025 meeting agenda. Faris seconded.
MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (9-0).**

III. Approval of Minutes – August 27, 2025* *PACKET PAGES 4-6*

Faris asked about the status of the TIP Funding Distribution Process document. MPO staff stated that the initial write up of the process as it is now, was shared with LPA project managers and was included in the September Policy Committee packet. Initial feedback is welcome from the committees (submitted by email); the next step is forthcoming.

**Kennedy moved for approval of the August 27, 2025 meeting minutes. Cibor seconded.
MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (10-0).**

IV. Communications from the Chair and Vice Chair

V. Reports from Officers and/or Committees

VI. Reports from the MPO Staff

a. FY2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) update, *PACKET PAGES 7-9*
MPO staff shared that the BMCMPO received INDOT and Federal Highway Administration approval of the FY 2026-2030 was received at the end of August. The FY 2026-2030 TIP is now the guiding document for utilizing TIP funding.

**Action Requested / Public comment prior to vote (limited to five minutes per speaker).*

- b. Submission to INDOT regarding 17th and SR45/46 bypass
MPO staff reminded the committee that there was a fatality at the 17th St and SR45/46 bypass earlier this year – the crash involved a car and a motorcycle. Previously, the left turn lane from northbound on the bypass heading west on 17th was a flashing yellow left arrow. INDOT staff have changed that light to simply solid red and solid green lights.
- c. College & Walnut open house sessions (October 28 and 30, 2025) – provide your input on this project using the [feedback form](#) available on the [project website](#) between October 28, 2025 to December 1, 2025
MPO staff shared about the upcoming public input opportunities for the City of Bloomington's College & Walnut project.
- d. Traffic Incident Management (TIM) training opportunity (October 2025) – see [Facebook post](#) for photos and flier on *PACKET PAGES 10*
MPO staff shared about the recent TIM training coordinated by the BMCMPO.
- e. Presentation to City of Bloomington Common Council (October 2025), *PACKET PAGES 11-30*
MPO staff shared about the MPO's presentation to the City of Bloomington's Common Council, which was provided upon their request. Faris asked if there are updates to the SR 45/46 and Pete Ellis Drive project. Faris asked if this presentation was made to the County as well. Discussion ensued.
- f. INDOT 2050 update to Indiana Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – see [fact sheet](#), see [virtual room](#) to learn about goals of plan, complete [public involvement survey](#), *PACKET PAGES 31-34*
MPO staff encourages all to complete the public involvement survey for INDOT's 2050 LRTP.
- g. Recent modifications made to FY2026-2030 TIP
 - (1) Funding update to INDOT project 45786-2401386, "Intersection improvements at SR46 and Flatwoods Rd" (September 18, 2025), *PACKET PAGES 35-36*
MPO staff shared information about administrative modifications, which were recently made to the TIP, but did not require approval by MPO committees.
- h. Proposed CY2026 BMCMPO committee meeting schedule, *PACKET PAGES 37*
MPO staff shared the proposed 2026 Policy Committee schedule with the committee, which was emailed to the committee on December 2, 2025, prior to this formal gathering. Staff requested the committee share any comments or concerns the committee have about the 2026 schedule. Ridge wondered why an email wasn't sent to the entire board to ask their opinion about the meeting time change. Discussion ensued. Upon request of Policy Committee members, MPO staff will send out a poll regarding the meeting time and week change for 2026.
- i. [Project Updates](#) (LPA-led projects using federal funding allocated through the BMCMPO)
MPO staff and engineering staff from City of Bloomington and Monroe County shared projected updates.
- j. Policy Committee [membership list](#) and attendance for calendar year 2026

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(1) PC membership is assembled by individuals holding certain positions in the community. If you plan to use an alternate representative for all of 2026, please email mpo@bloomington.in.gov naming that person.

MPO staff requested that secure your proxy at this meeting for 2026, or verify that you will continue to be a proxy in 2026.

k. NEVI links & resources (related to INDOT's NEVI project listed in the BMCMPO TIP)

- (1) [Charging the Crossroads](#) - Indiana Department of Transportation's Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Network plan, which aims to invest nearly \$100 million dollars to build an electric vehicle (EV) charging network along Indiana's federally designated Alternative Fuel Corridors (AFCs).
 - (a) Link to [PDF of INDOT Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Plan](#)
 - (b) Includes [one proposed location in Bloomington, IN](#) (at Jacob Drive)
 - (c) [Subscribe to Charging the Crossroads for updates](#)
- (2) [National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure](#) (NEVI) program – aims to create a network of at least 500,000 reliable chargers across the U.S. to support the growing adoption of electric vehicles.
 - (a) U.S. DOT's [August 11, 2025 revised NEVI Guidance](#)
- (3) [U.S. Department of Energy Alternative Fueling Station Locator Map](#)

MPO staff shared these links in today's agenda in response to a question at September PC meeting.

VII. Old Business

- a. **None**

VIII. New Business

- a. INDOT CY2026 Safety Targets* *PACKET PAGES 38-39*

MPO staff shared the CY2026 safety targets, created by INDOT, which require approval by all MPO Policy Committees. Kinzie shared that in the past this committee has not desired to accept these targets because we prefer the target to be zero, but also recognizes that a straight line reduction is more realistic. Stosberg wondered if INDOT's 2% reduction target aligns with the City's goal of 0 by 2029. Discussion ensued.

Kinzie moved to table the INDOT CY2026 safety targets until the January 2026 meeting. Stosberg seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (11-0). 0 abstained.

- b. BMCMPO FY 2026-2030 TIP Amendments – Resolution FY2026-03* *PACKET PAGES 40-44*
 - (1) Add new project, INDOT, DES #2500051 “AASHTO Safety Software”
 - (2) Add new project, Bloomington Transit, “EV Mobile Chargers”
 - (3) Add new project, Bloomington Transit, “S-1 GARD Deflectors”
 - (4) Add new project, Bloomington Transit, “New Administrative & Maintenance Facility”
 - (5) Update FY2027 funding for existing project, Bloomington Transit, BLO-27-023, “Purchase Replacement Battery Electric Buses & Charging Equipment”

MPO staff shared information about the most recent INDOT and local TIP amendments as detailed in the attached memo. Stosberg asked about where transit funding comes from. Discussion ensued.

Stosberg moved for approval of all BMCMPO FY 2026-2030 TIP Amendments in BMCMPO Resolution FY2026-03. The motion was seconded. MOTION CARRIED by a voice vote (11-0). 0 abstained.

- 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
 - (1) Nickel gave a big thank you to all the crews battling the snow this week!**
 - b. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas
- XI. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. Technical Advisory Committee: Wednesday January 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid)
 - b. Citizens Advisory Committee: Wednesday January 28, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
 - c. Policy Committee: Friday January 30, 2026 at 10:30 a.m. (Hybrid) **Time is TBD depending on Poll.**
- XII. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm.

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