



CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 28, 2024

5:30 –6:45 pm

Bloomington City Hall – McCloskey Conference Room & Virtual Location via Zoom

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Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Elizabeth Cox-Ash (V), Paul Ash (V), Mary Jane Hall (V), John Kennedy (V), Sarah Ryterband (V), Sam Tobin-Hoschstadt (V)

Staff Present: Pat Martin, Katie Gandhi

Guests: None.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda*

**** Elizabeth Cox-Ash moved for approval of the meeting agenda. Mary Jane Hall seconded. Motion passed by a voice vote (6-0).***

III. Approval of Minutes*

a. July 24, 2024

**** Mary Jane Hall moved for approval of the July 24, 2024 meeting minutes. Sam Tobin-Hochstadt seconded. Motion passed by a voice vote (6-0).***

IV. Communications from the Chair and Vice Chair

a. *MPO Policy Committee: Sarah Ryterband shared a summary from the August 9, 2024 Policy Committee Meeting.*

V. Reports from Officers and/or Committees

a. None.

VI. Reports from the MPO Staff

a. *Staff Introduction: Katie Gandhi introduced herself as the new MPO staff member. Katie started this position one week ago, filling the vacancy that Rachael Sargent left.*

b. *Indiana Department of Transportation - Call for Local Safety Projects: Pat Martin presented about the memo included in the packet for INDOT's Call for Local Safety*

Projects. We are accepting applications between September 3 and October 11 for “low-cost systemic safety projects.” There are 21+ different types of projects that fall under this umbrella. 50 million dollars is available across the state. They include construction-ready projects within existing right-of-way (no land acquisition), less than \$200,000. City of Bloomington, Town of Ellettsville and Monroe County are all encouraged to apply for these projects – contact Andrew Cibor from Engineering at the City, or Lisa Ridge from Monroe County Highway if you would like to apply.

- c. BMCMPPO FY 2026-2030 TIP - Call for Projects: *Pat spoke about the new Transportation Improvement Project, FY 2026-2030 (beginning July 1). The first three years of funding must be fiscally constrained. Staff sent a formal Call for Projects email out at the end of August. The deadline for applications is 5pm, September 27th.*
- d. BMCMPPO 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan - Staff Update: *Pat mentioned that the public survey, which was public for four months, is now closed. Staff have finished the draft chapter on current needs and are compiling future-short-term needs (1-5 years), which will include the projects that are submitted for the FY 2026-2030 TIP. Staff will interview Bloomington Transit, Monroe County and City of Bloomington about future needs (10-25 years). Staff will release a draft MTP document by the end of October and hold a public meeting for the MTP during the week of November 11th.*
- e. Student interviews for O’Neill Leadership Program (Paul H. O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs): *Pat announced that he and Katie are conducting interviews with potential students to fill a fellow position with the MPO.*

VII. Old Business

- a. None

VIII. New Business

- a. BMCMPPO FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendments*
 - (1) DES#2300274 – NEVI Installations at various locations throughout Indiana
 - (2) DES#2400606 – NEVI Installation at 370 N. Jacobs Drive in Bloomington
 - (3) DES#2301145 - I-69 slide correction from SR 37 to 3.96 miles S of SR 252 (Indian Creek Bridge)
 - (4) DES#2101712 - Dillman Road, Bridge #83 replacement (moved FY 2026 due the environmental time extension)
 - (5) DES#2200146 – Eagleson Avenue Bridge over IN RR (updated to add RR funding)

Pat shared information about the most recent INDOT and local TIP amendments listed above. Discussion ensued.

**** Sam Tobin-Hochstadt moved for approval all five BMCMPPO FY 2024-2028 TIP Amendments. Mary Jane Hall seconded. Motion passed by a voice vote (6-0).***

- 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. *Taylor Brown introduced himself as the newly hired Legislative Affairs Specialist for the Office of the Mayor. Taylor is attending all committee meetings with the goal of helping streamline communication to the mayor.*

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

- a. Communications
- b. Topic Suggestions for Future Agendas

XI. Upcoming Meetings

- a. Policy Committee - September 13, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. (Hybrid)
- b. Technical Advisory Committee - September 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. (Hybrid)
- c. Citizens Advisory Committee - September 25, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. (Hybrid)

XII. Adjournment

****Mary Jane Hall moved for adjournment.***

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

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