



# TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## MINUTES

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 9:00am CT  
 456 Fulton St, Suite 420  
 Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order  
 Chairperson Kinga Krider called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
  
2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
<b>Amy McLaren</b> , Peoria County	x		<b>Dennis Carr</b> City of Washington	x	
<b>Jeff Gilles</b> , Peoria County	x		<b>Jon Oliphant*</b> City of Washington	x	
<b>Mark Gilles*</b> Peoria County		x	<b>Patrick Meyer</b> Village of Bartonville	v	
<b>Paul Augspurger</b> Tazewell County		x	<b>Terrisa Worsfold</b> IDOT-D4		x
<b>Dan Parr</b> Tazewell County		x	<b>Karen Dvorsky*</b> IDOT-04		x
<b>Conrad Moore</b> Woodford County	x		<b>Kinga Krider</b> City of West Peoria	x	
<b>Andrea Klopfenstein</b> City of Peoria	x		<b>Charles Hess</b> City of West Peoria*		x
<b>Paola Mendez</b> City of Peoria	x		<b>Craig Loudermilk</b> Village of Morton		x
<b>Sie Maroon</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>Frank Sturm*</b> Village of Morton		x
<b>Alyssa Burnett*</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>David Horton</b> City of Chillicothe		x
<b>Cindy Loos*</b> City of Peoria		x	<b>Terry Keogel</b> Village of Creve Coeur		x
<b>VACANT*</b> City of Peoria			<b>Doug Roelfs</b> CityLink		x
<b>Josie Esker</b> City of Pekin	x		Nick Standefer* CityLink	v	
<b>Dean Schneider*</b> , City of Pekin		x	<b>Jamie Arbogast*</b> CityLink		x
<b>Ric Semonski</b> City of East Peoria	x		<b>Gene Olson</b> MAAP		x
<b>Ty Livingston*</b> City of East Peoria	x		<b>Eric Miller</b> TCRPC	x	
<b>Chris Chandler</b> Village of Peoria Heights		x	<b>Rich Brecklin</b> Village of Germantown Hills	x	
<b>Wayne Aldrich*</b> Village of Peoria Heights	x				
<b>Dustin Sutton*</b> Peoria Heights		x			

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Staff: Debbie Ulrich, Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Gabriel Guevara, Logan Chapman, and Gavin Hunt. Staff virtual, Britney West, and Debbi La Rue. Others: Brandon Geber- IDOT Central Office -virtual

3. Public Comment-none

4. Approval of Minutes, November 15, 2023, Meeting

Josie Esker moved to approve the November 15, 2023, minutes and Ric Semonski seconded. Motion carried.

5. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments – Attachment

Chairperson mentioned that we are going to group some TIP's together:

Amy McLaren moved to recommend TIP amendments a and b and Jeff Gilles seconded.

Michael Bruner updated:

a. Project CL-25-06 Replace Paratransit Vans

Adjusting the budget to align with the grant funding with \$818,000 coming from FTA 5339 funding and remaining \$204,500 being funded with local dollars.

b. Project CL-25-07 Construction & Renovation of Buildings

Adding Project CL-25-07 to the FY 2025 Program for the remaining costs for the Greater Peoria Mass Transit District (GPMTD) new building and renovation of existing buildings.

Motion carried.

c. Project MO-20-01 Main St Rail Upgrade

Conrad Moore moved to recommend TIP amendment Project MO-20-01 Main St. Rail Upgrade and Rich Brecklin seconded.

Reviving Project MO-20-01 which was programmed in the FY2021 Program. This TIP amendment is for moving this project to the FY2024 Program and increasing Section 130 funding from 90% funding to 100%.

Motion carried.

Josie Esker moved to recommend TIP Amendments d and e and Paola Mendez seconded.

Michael Bruner updated:

d. Project PEK-25-01 Court Street: 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>

Splitting Project PEK-25-01 into two projects per IDOT's request. PEK-25-01 project extent is Court Street from 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Street. The remaining portion of the project from 10<sup>th</sup> to Stadium is included in PEK-25-02.

- e. Project PEK-25-02 Court Street: 10<sup>th</sup> to Stadium  
Project PEK-25-02 is the remaining portion of Project PEK 25-01 and will be locally in the same time frame as Project -PEK-25-01.  
Motion carried.
  - f. Project PC-25-01 Maxwell & Middle Road  
Andrea Klopfenstein moved to recommend to Commission Project PC-25-01 and Amy McLaren seconded.  
Michael Bruner updated:  
Amending PC-25-01 to adjust the STBG-Rural funding and MFT match funding amounts to match the updated records with IDOT.  
Motion carried.  
Conrad Moore moved to recommend to Commission TIP Amendments g and h and Rich Brecklin seconded.  
Michael Bruner updated.
  - g. Project S-24-22 Pavement Preservation  
Adjusting the budget and funding sources. The only roadway segment within MPO boundaries is IL-40 (Knoxville Ave0 from Ravinwoods road to North of Timber Lane in Peoria.
  - h. Project S-24-25 Bridge Preservation  
Adding Project S024025 to IDOT District 4 FY 2024 Program for Bridge Deck Seating in various locations within District 4.  
Motion carried.
6. Call for Projects for consideration on the Long-Range Transportation Plan 2025 – 2050  
Michael Bruner updated on the Call for Projects for consideration on the Long-Range Transportation Plan 2025-2050
- a. The LRTP is one of the MPO's core planning documents.
    - 1. The LRTP serves as a guide for the future development and maintenance of our MPO's transportation system.
    - 2. The plan covers a 25-year planning horizon and outlines the region's transportation vision, priorities, and plans that is developed based on public engagement, population projections, and travel demand.
    - 3. The plan is updated every five years.
    - 4. Our LRTP 2050 is due to IDOT and FHWA by March 2025.

- b. A key step in developing and updating the LRTP is to identify a list of transportation projects for the region.
  1. This project list is federally required.
  2. Includes all projects that intend to use federal funding sources or regionally significant.
  3. Eligible project types include:
    - Construction of new roadways
    - Improvements to existing roadways
    - Transit projects
    - Bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and
    - Other transportation improvements
  4. Any roadway project must be a Federal Aid Urban (FAU) route.
    - Minor Collector and above
- c. To access the application, please visit Tri-County's website at <https://tricountyrpc.org/transportation/lrtp/lrtp-2050>
  - Please complete an application for each project you would like to be considered for inclusion in the LRTP 2050 update.
  - Please note that projects listed in the existing 2045 LRTP will not automatically be carried forward into the new plan.
  - The deadline for submitting projects is 3:30 pm on Thursday, February 29, 2024.
  - Email staff any questions and application at [lrtp@tricountyrpc.org](mailto:lrtp@tricountyrpc.org)

## 7. Updates

### a. Kickapoo Creek Watershed-Based Plan

Reema Abi-Akar updated on the following:

- In late 2021, we applied for a Section 319 grant to conduct a Watershed Plan for Kickapoo Creek. Last year, we heard that we were successful, and in the late fall, we received the final contract with the Illinois EPA. Since then, we have released a Request for Qualifications, which received 6 responses.
- We put together a Selection Committee made up of technical experts and Tri-County staff, and we narrowed it down to three firms. We interviewed the three and selected the top one, Baxter & Woodman, who has experience with watershed plans and understands the requirements of the IEPA.
- We have just finalized the contract with our consultant, and we are kicking off work on this project. Soon, we will put together a steering committee

and begin the data collection process. We will keep you updated about the project as it moves along.

- Michael Bruner added that if you have Watershed Erosion issues to please let us know.

b. IDOT

- Local Roads-nothing to add.
- Central Office-nothing to add.

c. FHWA

Nothing to add.

8. Other

a. Next meeting scheduled for February 21, 2024

b. Other updates:

- Eric Miller- City of Peoria did not get the EV charging grant.
- Eric Miller- We will be hiring a consultant to assist us in the region.
- Michael Bruner- if you need assistance for the Travel Demand Model to let us know.
- Amy McClaren- any updates on Safe Routes
  - Michael Bruner-putting together Safety Committee.
- Eric Miller updated on the SS4A plan.

9. Adjournment

Conrad Moore moved to adjourn at 9:29 a.m. and Rich Brecklin seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded by:

Britney West, GIS III

Transcribed by:

Debbie Ulrich, Office Administrator