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Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. CT
456 Fulton St, Suite 420
Peoria, IL 61602

1. Call to Order

- a. Chairperson Conrad Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Member	Present	Absent	Member	Present	Absent
Amy McLaren Peoria County		X	Dustin Sutton* Peoria Heights		X
Jeff Gilles – VICE CHAIR Peoria County	X		Dennis Carr City of Washington		X
Cale Thompson* Peoria County	X		Jon Oliphant* City of Washington	X	
Paul Augspurger Tazewell County	X		Patrick Meyer Village of Bartonville	X	
Dan Parr Tazewell County		X	Dan Corp IDOT-D4	X	
Conrad Moore - CHAIR Woodford County	X		Karen Dvorsky* IDOT-D4		X
Andrea Klopfenstein City of Peoria		X	Kinga Krider City of West Peoria	X	
Paola Mendez City of Peoria		X	Charles Hess* City of West Peoria		X
Sie Maroon City of Peoria	X		Craig Loudermilk Village of Morton		X
Cindy Loos* City of Peoria		X	David Horton City of Chillicothe	X	
Simon Grimm City of Pekin		X	LD Chaney Village of Creve Coeur	X	
Josh Wray* City of Pekin		X	Kofi Kisseh CityLink		X
Ty Livingston City of East Peoria	X		ShamRA Robinson* CityLink		X
Bret Tucker* City of East Peoria	X		Eric Miller TCRPC	X	
Mark Lee Village of Peoria Heights		X	Ann Doubet Village of Germantown Hills	X	
Wayne Aldrich* Village of Peoria Heights		X	Gene Olson, Ex-officio MAAP		X

V = Virtual

Also in attendance: Jeff Council

TCRPC Staff: Michael Bruner, Reema Abi-Akar, Ray Lees, Debbi La Rue, Else Hayes, Isaiah Hageman, Logan Chapman, Gavin Hunt, Adam Crutcher, and Lori Reynolds.

Virtual attendees: Michael Hudelson – IDOT

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025

Ty Livingston moved to approve the June 18, 2025 meeting minutes, and Jeff Gilles seconded.
Motion carried.

5. Recommend to the Commission the Transportation Improvement Program Amendments

- a. Project S-26-14 IL-8 Bridge Repair
- b. IDOT FY 2025 Program Carryover to FY 2026
 - S-19-03 IL-116 Bridge Reconstruction S-19-04 IL-116 Bridge Reconstruction
 - S-20-01 IL8/116 Bridge Reconstruction S-20-06 IL8/116 Bridge Reconstruction
 - S-20-17 Adams St Bridge Reconstruction S-21-16 IL-29 Pavement Reconstruction
 - S-21-20 US24 Pavement Reconstruction S-22-11 IL-8 Pavement Reconstruction
 - S-24-03 US150 (WB) Bridge Preservation S-24-21 US150 Pavement Rehabilitation
 - S-25-04 IL116 Pavement Reconstruction S-26-04 US24 Pavement Rehabilitation
- c. IDOT FY 2026 Program Move to FY 2027 and 2028/29
 - S-20-13 IL29 Bridge Reconstruction S-24-06 IL29 Intersection Improvement
 - S-25-01 IL8 Bridge Rehabilitation S-25-02 IL8 Bridge Rehabilitation
 - S-26-06 IL6 Bridge Rehabilitation S-26-08 IL29 Pavement Reconstruction
 - S-23-01 Adams St Bridge Reconstruction S-23-02 Adams St Bridge Reconstruction
 - S-26-05 US150 Pavement Rehabilitation

Jeff Gilles moved to approve Recommendation to the Commission the Transportation Improvement Program Amendments, and Paul Augspurger seconded.

Michael Bruner reported on the following:

- a. Project S-26-14 IL-8 Bridge Repair
 - The project is being added to the FY 2026 Program and targeting the January 16, 2026, letting.
 - The project includes bridge joint replacement/repair and painting of beam ends at the Illinois Route 8 bridge over the Union Pacific Railroad north of Pottstown.
 - The total project cost is \$1.2 million, with \$960,000 of STBG funding being used.
- b. IDOT FY 2025 Program Carryover to FY 2026
 - IDOT is carrying over 12 FY 2025 projects.
 - Of the 12 projects, only four have additional changes outside of the Program move. Those four projects are:
 - Project S-19-04 IL-116 Bridge Reconstruction
 - This project is for Illinois Route 116 bridge over the BNSF railroad, UP Railroad, and Kickapoo Creek 0.1 miles east of Airport Road.
 - Project funding is increasing by 53.85%.
 - Project S-21-20 US-24 Pavement Reconstruction
 - This project is from Legion Road to east City Limits of Washington.
 - This project is merging Phase I and Phase II engineering into one TIP record.
 - Project S-22-11 IL-8 Pavement Reconstruction
 - This project is IL-8 (Western Ave) from Farmington to Lincoln Ave.
 - This project is merging Phase I and Phase II engineering into one TIP record.
 - Project S-24-21 US-150 Pavement Rehabilitation

- This project is US-150 (War Memorial Drive) from 0.2 miles west of Orange Prairie Road to 0.1 miles west of the Sterling/Glen Ave intersection.
 - This project is merging Phase I and Phase II engineering into one TIP record
- c. IDOT FY 2026 Program Move to FY 2027 and 2028/29
 - To accommodate the FY 2025 carryover projects, IDOT is moving nine projects to the FY 2027 and 2028 out years.
 - Of the nine projects, only two have additional changes outside of the Program move. The two projects are:
 - Project S-23-01 Adams Street Bridge Reconstruction
 - This project is replacing the Adams Street Bridge over the BNSF Railroad and UP Railroad at the City of Peoria southwestern city limits.
 - Project is increasing funding by 11%.
 - Project S-23-02 Adams Street Bridge Reconstruction
 - This project is for the construction engineering portion of the Adams Street Bridge replacement project.
 - This project is increasing funding by 50%.

Motion carried.

6. Recommend to Commission the Formation of a Transportation Safety Committee

Kinga Krider made a motion to Recommend to Commission the Formation of a Transportation Safety Committee. Patrick Meyer seconded the motion.

Michael Bruner reported on the following:

- In addition to the Memo in the packet, there was an additional handout that includes changes recommended by the Executive Board at their Monday morning meeting.
- To aid in the implementation and monitoring of the Tri-County Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP), staff proposes the formation of a Regional Transportation Safety Committee, comprised of similar representation from the Steering Committee, with some minor modifications based on what staff learned from the development process.
 - During the development of the plan, this group proved to be a valuable resource.
- Proposed Committee Role
 - Guide implementation efforts such as priority projects, programs, and policies.
 - Monitor plan progress and review annual crash data and performance metrics.
 - Assist with the annual development and reporting on federally required transportation safety measures.
 - Maintain public dialogue on roadway safety and seek funding to help with public awareness.
- Membership
 - 21-member board appointed by the Commission
 - Chair and Vice Chair elected every other year for a two-year term
 - Composition
 - Advocacy and Community Representation
 - 2 positions
 - Business, Industry, and Media
 - 3 positions

- Education and Training
 - 3 positions
 - First Responders & Enforcement
 - 5 positions
 - Human Services
 - 3 positions
 - Transportation and Infrastructure
 - 5 positions
- At the Executive Board meeting, it was recommended to add a labor representative. To accommodate this addition, one seat in the Human Services section was moved to the Business, Industry, and Media section.
 - Business, Industry, and Media increases from 3 to 4 positions
 - Human Services decreases from 3 to 2 positions
 - Additionally, to ensure active participation, it was recommended to add a clause in the draft bylaws that allows for the removal of nonactive members.
 - The HSTP Committee bylaws has something similar, so staff utilized that clause, which allows staff the opportunity to request a new appointment to replace a member that has had three unexcused absences in a row.
 - When reviewing the HSTP Committee bylaws, staff also found another clause that they felt is helpful, that specifically calls out OMA requirements for completing the OMA Training and submitting their certification within 90 days of their appointment.

Patrick Meyer asked, what is the general purpose?

- Michael stated that it is to keep the discussion, dialogue, and momentum going, to keep talking about safety, to implement the safety plan, to acquire funding, and to have a group in charge of looking at the crash data on an annual basis and bringing it to the Technical committee as required by TCRPC's federal metrics, and to complete an annual report.
- Eric Miller stated that it is to reinforce the safety aspects of this MPO and look specifically at safety funding, and to keep safety at the forefront.

Motion carried.

7. Discussion of IDOT's request for comments on the Walk Roll Illinois Local Implementation Guidebook

Michael Bruner reported the following:

- IDOT has released the draft Walk Roll Illinois Local Implementation Guidebook and is requesting comments by August 29, 2025. Staff is encouraging members to review the draft and submit comments to Adam Gabany, IDOT's Intermodal Planning Unit Chief.

Eric Miller stated that he was speaking to Jeff Gilles prior the meeting about maintenance of facilities being pushed back onto the locals.

- Ty Livingston had a similar concern in East Peoria and they chose to turn down IDOT's recommended improvement because of the maintenance issue.
Members asked, Is this something we want to comment on and send to IDOT as a concern?
Members noted that this group tries to implement improvements and acquire funding, but then they feel they were not consulted on this policy.

Ty Livingston and Sie Maroon gave examples of IDOT making an improvement, then the local municipality is expected to take care of the maintenance, and Kinga Krider stated that IDOT does not give enough notice if an improvement is going to be made.

Dan Corp (IDOT) stated that he only knows parts of what is happening, and he is not able to make a comment at this time.

Eric stated there are only nine days left to submit comments, and that comments should be sent to Michael by August 27.

8. Presentation – MioVision Scout Plus Traffic Counting Equipment

TCRPC's Isaiah Hageman, GIS Specialist II, gave a presentation on the MioVision Counting Equipment that was received earlier this year.

- It is safe and non-intrusive, can be set up along roads, on bike paths, etc., and can be set to count cars, pedestrians, and bikes, and can split those up into different types of vehicles – cars, pickup trucks, semi trucks, delivery trucks, buses, etc.
- It has a cellular connection, so TCRPC has 24-hour remote access to be able to check in and see how it's doing.
- The camera can be raised 40 feet into the air, and it can view an entire intersection.
- It can count in a straight line, multi-lane, and turning motions.
- It can export results into an Excel spreadsheet and break the results down into specific time periods and lengths of time, for example, one hour or five minutes.
- It is available to all Tri-County participants at no charge. TCRPC pays the software company to analyze the data, but staff has a large budget set up to cover the cost.
- Four units are available.

9. Other

- a. Next meeting scheduled for September 17, 2025

10. Adjournment

Patrick Meyer made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Jeff Gilles. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.