



# TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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## MINUTES

### Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Technical Committee

Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 9:00am CDT  
456 Fulton St, Suite 420

1. Call to Order  
Chairperson Kinga Krider called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

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

**Staff:** Gabriel Guevara, Debbie Ulrich, Reema Abi-Akar, Logan Chapman, and Michael Bruner **Virtual:** Betsy Tracey, and Brandon Geber

3. Public Comment-none

4. Approval of Minutes, November 16, 2022, Meeting

Jeff Gilles moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 2022 meeting and Conrad Moore seconded. Motion carried.

5. Public Meeting – LRTP Amendment (<https://tricityrpc.org/public-comment-lrtp-amendment/>)

Ty Livingston moved to open Public Meeting- LRTP Amendment (<https://tricityrpc.org/public-comment-LRTP-amendment/>) and Patrick Meyer seconded.

Reema Abi-Akar updated as follows:

- Tri-County has opened its Amendment 1 for the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2045 for public review and comment.
- This amendment results from the FYs 2023-26 TIP Illustrative Project Listing and the Regional Project Prioritization Process.
  - Some submitted projects that are not in the current LRTP, and need to be added to be eligible for inclusion in the TIP's Illustrative Project Listing and Project Prioritization Process.
- Amendment 1 adds language regarding the TCRPC-PPUATS merger and updates the Project Listing in the LRTP 2045.
- The public review comment period began Wednesday, December 7, 2022, and ends on Friday, January 20, 2023.
  - Three public meetings are held during this time:
    - Full Commission- December 7, 2022
    - Executive Board- January 16, 2023
    - Technical Committee- January 18, 2023
  - The LRTP Amendment may be viewed at TCRPC office, TCRPC's website, at one of the twenty public review sites.
  - All comments will be noted and considered before final approval by the Full Commission.
- Cindy Loos mentioned the City of Peoria main street project is updated
- Eric Miller said to include as much as possible on the projects
- Michael Bruner mentioned the next will be 2025
- Brandon Geber said to ensure you do not have too many projects in the plan.

Patrick Meyer moved to close Public Meeting and Ty Livingston seconded.

Motion carried.

6. Recommend to Commission Transportation Improvement Program Amendments – Attachment Patrick Meyer moved to approve a thru f and Jeff Gilles seconded.
- a. Project C-25-01 Cloverdale Road Preservation  
Michael Bruner updated this if FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY 2025. Cloverdale Rd from western city limits to IL-29. Amending to the FY 2025 Program.
  - b. Project TZ-25-01 Parkway Drive Preservation  
Michael Bruner updated this is FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY 2025 Parkway Dr. from Pekin city limits to IL-98. Amending to the FY 2025 Program.
  - c. Project WC-26-01 Santa Fe Trail Preservation  
Michael Bruner updated this is FYs 2025-26 STBG Set-Aside project programmed for FY2026, Sante Fe Trail for Lourdes Rd to IL-116. Amending to the FY 2026 Program.
  - d. Project PEO-21-02 Adams Street and Jefferson Street Signal Upgrades  
Michael Bruner updated the project includes:
    - Changing the existing one-way pedestal signals to mast arms for two-way traffic at 8 intersections
    - Replacing two signals for two-way operations (William Kumpf Boulevard)
    - Upgrading signals at Adams and Hamilton
    - Adding bump out to corners to protect the parking and upgrading all of the handicapped ramps.
    - This amendment request.
      - Dissolves Project PEO-20-01 (Design Engineering)
        - Moves HSIP funding (\$67,500) and local match (\$7,500) to Project PEO-21-02 (Construction)
      - Adds an additional \$11,294,943 in MFT and other local funding.
        - HSIP: \$1,804,551, MFT/ Local: \$11,495,449, Total: \$13,300,000
      - Moves project to FY 2023 Program
  - e. Project S-23-11 Motorist Caused Highway Damage Repairs
    - Project repairs and replaces motorist caused damage to fences, guardrails, and cable barriers in various locations within District 4.
    - Amending to the FY 2023 Program with a planned March 2023 letting.
  - f. Project S-23-12 Traffic Signal Upgrades  
Remove & replace traffic signals mast arms and posts at MacArthur Highway & Washington St. in Peoria
  - g. Project S-23-03 IL-29 Resurfacing-Skipped
- Motion carried.
7. Recommend to Commission the Heart of Illinois Human Service Transportation 2022 Plan (<https://tricityrpc.org/wp-content/uploads/HSTP-Document-Draft-Plan-2022.pdf>)  
Jeff Gilles moved to recommend to Commission the Heart of Illinois Human Service Transportation 2022 Plan and Patrick Meyer seconded.

Reema Abi-Akar updated we will host a bimonthly HSTP committee, made up of both urban and rural stakeholders representing both human service agencies (those that help seniors, people with disabilities, and other marginalized populations) & transport agencies.

- Seven counties: Peoria, Tazewell, Woodford, Fulton, Knox, Stark, and Marshall

This document is a requirement through the HSTP program within IDOT.

- We have to periodically update this document and IDOT gave us specific guidance for what to include in, which we did.

This document

- Outlines the demographic of these marginalized populations.
- Highlights issues regarding public transportation,
- And offers solutions.

We had a public comment period in November 2022 and held three public meetings:

- Changing the text to accessible fonts
- Added a list of projects funded by the FTA 5310 program.

HSTP committee unanimously approved this plan on December 6 to recommend to Technical to recommend to Commission.

IDOT required that we complete this by March: we are 1 month ahead of schedule.

Motion carried.

#### 8. Call for Projects: Section 5310 – Attachment

Reema Abi- Akar updated on the following:

- Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities federal grant program
- Approximately \$335,187 of grant funding is available.
  - From Federal Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022, including COVID supplement.
  - We don't have FY 2023 dollars because FTA has not released those numbers.
- Applications are due by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 28, 2023
- Eligible applicants:
  - Non-profit organizations,
  - State and local governments,
  - And public transportation operators.
- Eligible Activities
  - Capital & operating expenses, such as:
    - Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the ADA.
    - Projects that improve access to fixed-route service
    - Projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities with transportation.
- Local match
  - Capital: 80/20
  - Operating: 50/50
- List of dates

9. Updates

a. Transportation Alternatives

Michael Bruner updated on the following:

- Anticipated Call for Projects on February 15<sup>th</sup> OR March 1<sup>st</sup> for \$1,456,565 in funding
- FY2021- \$293,959; FY22- \$576,353; FY23- \$588,254

Eligible Projects

- A project must enhance the transportation system either by serving a transportation need or providing a transportation use or benefit and not be solely for recreational use.
- Project include sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian & bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure, and ADA improvements.

Eligible Project Phases

- Planning, Design, and Construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicycles, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.

Jeff Gilles asked when to spend FY21 thru FY23 funds. Michael Bruner said he will contact IDOT.

Eric Miller asked what is the maximum and Michael said he has not heard from IDOT as of yet.

b. IDOT

- Local Roads
- Central Office

Brandon Geber said IDOT will be returning money back to MPO's in the amount of \$100,000 for planning

c. FHWA-nothing to report.

10. Other

- Ray Lees updated about the meeting with Mark Fenton, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> in East Peoria, about Healthy Communities and Complete Streets.
  - Michael Bruner mentioned the guardrail project is moving forward.
- a. Next meeting scheduled for February 15, 2023

11. Adjournment

Patrick Meyer moved to adjourn at 9:30 a.m. and Terry Koegel seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Eric Miller, Executive Director

Recorded and transcribed by:

Debbie Ulrich, Office Manager