

Secretarial Notes

DMATS Policy and Technical Advisory Board Joint meeting

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Place: ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

DMATS Policy Board Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brad Cavanagh (chair)
<i>Mayor, City of DBQ</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Roussel
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Danny Sprank
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katy Wethal
<i>DBQ City Council</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ric Jones
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Resnick
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Susan Faber
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Klosterman**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Van Milligen**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gus Psihoyos**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Teri Goodman**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Marie Ware**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wally Wernimont**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Adams
<i>Mayor, City of Asbury (proxy John Richey)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melvin Degenhardt**
<i>Mayor, City of East DBQ (proxy Loras Herrig)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant
<i>Grant County Representative</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Wickham
<i>Transit Rep. (RTA) (proxy Stacie Scott)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Francis Schelfhout
<i>Wisconsin DOT (proxy Stephen Flottmeyer)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug DeLille
<i>Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Troy Maggied
<i>SWWRPC City Council</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Russ Pfab
<i>Small Cities Rep. City of Peosta (Proxy Wayne Kenniker)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Zillig
<i>Jo Daviess County</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Daughters
<i>Jule Transit Rep. (proxy Ryan Knuckey)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann McDonough (VC)
<i>DBQ County Supervisor (proxy Harley Pothoff)</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sam Shea*
<i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz**
<i>ECIA (proxy Kelley Deutmeyer)</i> | | |

DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wally Wernimont**
<i>City of Dubuque (proxy Jason Duba)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz
<i>City of Asbury</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Loras Herrig
<i>City of East Dubuque</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Tammy Henry
<i>Dubuque County</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gus Psihoyos (chair)
<i>Engineer, City of DBQ (proxy Bob Schiesl)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Russell Weber
<i>Engineer, DBQ County (proxy vacant)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Keeffer
<i>Engineer, Jo Daviess County, IL</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dave Lambert
<i>Engineer Grant County, WI</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Knuckey
<i>Jule Transit (proxy Jake Ironside)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stacie Scott
<i>Regional Transit Authority (RTA) (proxy Gail Kuhle)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Troy Maggied
<i>SWWRPC</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelley Deutmeyer
<i>ECIA (proxy Holly McPherson)</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kris Tobin**
<i>Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates) (proxy Doug DeLille)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephen Flottmeyer**
<i>Wisconsin DOT (proxy Francis Schelfhout)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sam Shea*
<i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i> | |

Others Present: Ryan Sempf, Bill Baum, Doug Spierson, Paul Usdale

Staff Present

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chandra Ravada
<i>*Non-Voting Member</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Fox | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarah Berning | <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Wesseln |
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- **Voting member by Proxy *** Attendance by phone

A quorum was present for DMATS Policy and Technical Advisory Board

Call to Order

The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Technical Advisory Board Chair, Gus Psihoyos.

The DMATS Policy Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Policy Board Chair Brad Cavanagh. Introductions were made at this time.

Review/Approve the Agenda for the Thursday, October 13, 2022, DMATS Joint Technical Advisory and Policy Board meeting

Motion by Bonz, second by Duba to approve the agenda for the Thursday, October 13, 2022, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the agenda for the Thursday, October 13, 2022, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, August 11, 2022, meeting

Motion by Bonz, second by Herrig to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, August 11, 2022, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Wethal to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, August 11, 2022, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve amendments to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Motion by Resnick, second by Jones to open the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was opened at 12:10 p.m.

Ravada referred to the TIP handout explaining the amendments to the DMATS FFY 2023-2026 TIP:

- In the City of Dubuque, Design/engineer 14th Street, 16th Street and Elm Street Corridor; Transportation Planning
- ILDOT projects for FY23-26 were added to the TIP

Spierson expressed interest in knowing if the ride to rail project was included in the TIP and if it was not could it be.

Ravada informed Spierson the TIP includes Federal Aid projects. Ravada stated the passenger rail projects would be separate line items if there are federal funds assigned to the project. Staff have applied for SPR funding through ILDOT. Ravada stated the MPO did not make the ILDOT list for SPR funding for the passenger rail project. The hurdle staff are facing is the Rockford to Chicago route not being finalized. However staff are looking at different ways to get the passenger rail project funded.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Resnick, second by Wethal to close the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 12:15 p.m.

Motion by Duba, second by Bonz to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the amendments to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the amendments to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve contract negotiations for quiet zone study within DMATS region

Ravada stated the RFP was released in August to solicit proposals from qualified firms for the Railroad Quiet Zone Study. The study consists of 15 crossings within the City of Dubuque, City of Peosta, and Dubuque County. Ravada stated staff received five proposals and all met requirements asked of them. Ravada stated the members of the selection committee were Ernst, Sampson Brown, and Weber. Ravada stated all proposals ranked very well. Ravada stated Anderson Bogert firm was ranked the highest therefore is the committee's selection. Ravada requested the board to approve Anderson Bogert as the firm to complete the quiet zone study.

Herrig asked if the crossings in East Dubuque were included in the RFP.

Ravada informed Herrig that the only railroads included were on the Iowa side within Dubuque County. Ravada stated if East Dubuque was interested in adding their crossings, staff could have negotiations with Anderson Bogart to get the railroad crossings in East Dubuque included in the study.

Herrig stated East Dubuque is interested in getting their crossing added to the study.

Discussion followed.

Ravada stated the study cost is \$75,000.00. Although that might change when negotiating East Dubuque crossings. Ravada will inform the board how negotiations go at the next meeting.

Motion by Bonz, second by Duba to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the contract negotiations for quiet zone study within DMATS region. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the contract negotiations for quiet zone study within DMATS region, with discussion on including East Dubuque crossings. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve resolutions for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program, Illinois Department of Transportation (ILDOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program, and Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program Performance Measure targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS)

Ravada referred to the resolution stating MPO staff recommend following the IA, IL, and WI DOT safety targets. Ravada explained every year the Iowa, Illinois and Wisconsin DOT's performs a crash analysis test based on the rate of 100 million vehicle miles traveled, where they come up with the baseline for the next five years. Ravada stated if the MPO performed the same test our baseline would be very close to the DOT's, therefore MPO staff suggest we adopt the DOT's targets.

Motion by Bonz, second by Duba to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the resolution for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT), Illinois Department of Transportation (ILDOT) and Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program Performance Measure targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by McDonough, second by Wethal to approve the resolution for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT), Illinois Department of Transportation (ILDOT) and Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program Performance Measure targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS). The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve resolutions for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program targets for the FHWA pavement and bridge ("PM2") and system performance and freight ("PM3") performance targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS)

Ravada referred to the resolution stating MPO staff are recommending to follow the IA DOT safety targets for 2020. Ravada stated if the Board would prefer DMATS could establish their own safety targets. Although staff suggest the Board adopts the IA DOT safety targets.

Motion by Duba, second by Bonz to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the resolution for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program targets for the FHWA pavement and bridge (PM2) and system

performance and freight (PM3) performance targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the resolution for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT) Highway Safety Improvement Program targets for the FHWA pavement and bridge (PM2) and system performance and freight (PM3) performance targets for Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study. The motion passed unanimously.

Annual transportation meeting on Tuesday, December 20th at 11:30 a.m.

Ravada reminded the board of our annual transportation meeting on December 20th. Ravada stated that currently there will be presentations from Federal Highway regarding safety and a presentation from IADOT. Ravada requested the board submit talking points to him via email before November 15th.

Comments from public on an item that did not appear on the agenda

No comments were made by the public.

Other Business

No other business at this time.

Adjournment

Motion by Duba, second by Bonz to adjourn the Thursday, October 13, 2022, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Motion by Wethal, second by Zillig to adjourn the Thursday, October 13, 2022, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Policy Board meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada
ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning