

Secretarial Notes

DMATS Policy and Technical Advisory Board Joint meeting

Date: Thursday, August 13, 2020
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Place: ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

DMATS Policy Board Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roy Buol (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"/> Kevin Lynch
<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"/> Brad Cavanagh
<i>DBQ City Council</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Klostermann**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> |
| <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teri Goodmann**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Marie Ware**
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wally Wernimont
<i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Adams
<i>Mayor, City of Asbury (proxy John Richey)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Kirk VanOstrand
<i>Mayor, City of East DBQ (proxy Loras Herrig)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troy Maggied
<i>SWWRPC City Council</i> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jay Wickham**
<i>Transit Rep. (RTA) (proxy Tricia Wagner)</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann McDonough
<i>DBQ County Supervisor (proxy Anthony Bardgett)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Larry Meescher
<i>Small Cities Rep. City of Peosta (Proxy Vacant)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Zillig
<i>Jo Daviess County</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matt Esser**
<i>Jule Transit Rep. (proxy Renee Tyler)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz
<i>ECIA (proxy Kelley Deutmeyer)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant
<i>Grant County Representative</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sam Shea*
<i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i> | | |

DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wally Wernimont
<i>City of Dubuque (proxy Jason Duba)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Bonz
<i>City of Asbury</i> | <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Bardgett(vice-chair)
<i>Engineer, DBQ County (proxy Russell Weber)</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"/> Renee Tyler
<i>Jule Transit (proxy Jake Ironside)</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tricia Wagner
<i>Regional Transit Authority (RTA)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Troy Maggied
<i>SWWPRC</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelley Deutmeyer**
<i>ECIA (proxy Tricia Wagner)</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: Dave Solberg, Ride the Rail; Tom Ford, Ride the Rail

Staff Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chandra Ravada
<i>*Non-Voting Member</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Fox
<i>**Voting member by Proxy</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sarah Berning |
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*** 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 Roy Buol. Introductions were made at this time.

Review/Approve the Agenda for the Thursday, August 13, 2020 DMATS Joint Technical Advisory and Policy Board meeting

Motion by Bardgett, second by Bates to approve the agenda for the Thursday, August 13, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by McDonough, second by Resnick to approve the agenda for the Thursday, August 13, 2020, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, June 11, 2020 meeting

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bardgett to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, June 11, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Resnick, second by McDonough to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, June 11, 2020 DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Approve amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Motion by Lynch, second by Resnick to open public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing opened at 12:06 p.m.

Ravada referred to the TIP handout explaining the amendments to the DMATS FFY 2021-2024 TIP:

- STREETS project is being reprogrammed to FY21 due to funding
- ILDOT projects for FY21-24 were added to the TIP

Ravada highlighted the barge terminal project for intersection reconstruction and resurfacing as programmed for FY22 for 5 million by the ILDOT. Ravada stated there were no other changes and requested an approval.

Motion by Bardgett, second by Wernimont to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board of the amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the amendments to DMATS FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Roussell, second by McDonough to close public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing closed at 12:11 p.m.

Review/Approve Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Vision and Guiding Principles

Fox referred to the handout stating staff are working on updating the LRTP. Fox reviewed the DMATS LRTP vision and guiding principles. Fox asked for input on the updated plan.

Zillig pointed out that the goals and principles will be obsolete by 2050, which is the end of the plan.

Wernimont stated that the DMATS LRTP is an ever-changing document and will be amended to accommodate changes in technology and transportation.

McDonough suggested to add something within the document stating, due to technology evolving, our guiding principles will change over time.

Fox stated he will make the suggested changes and the board will see the final draft in the fall of next year.

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bonz to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board of the Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Vision and Guiding Principles. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Lynch, second by Resnick to approve the Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS) Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Vision and Guiding Principles. The motion passed unanimously.

Update on Port Expansion Study

Meyers gave an overview of the port expansion study project, stating the study focused on the two barge terminals; Gavilon and Logistics Park Dubuque. WSP completed site tours, performance data collection, terminal facility mapping and capacity modeling. WSP looked at

regional waterway conditions and performance data, highway and rail access to the terminals, land use and industry locations.

The study helped determine improvements for each terminal to better utilize and market both barge terminals. The 5-year improvements for Gavilon are; replace older fertilizer storage building with a 20,000-ton capacity shed, renovate existing fertilizer storage shed to increase capacity by 12,000 tons, replace and upgrade inoperable rail track, relocate rail track to support direct transfer and transloading of fertilizer and to install new rail equipment, including a main line switch, loadout system and shed. The 5-year improvements for Logistics Park Dubuque are; replace 15,100 tons of fertilizer storage buildings, install a new fabric covered structure for a salt pile and repurpose the coal handling system to transfer “hard to handle” processed grain by products from rail to barge.

Meyers stated the long term needs and recommendations for the Gavilon terminal are; expansion of fertilizer, salt and grain storage capacity, utilization of the new Seveth Street connector, and expansion of the current Gavilon leasehold into a portion of the former Alliant Energy Plant, with development of open storage for steel rebar and additional open/covered storage for future commodities.

Meyers stated the long term needs and recommendations for the Logistics Park Dubuque terminal are; substantial improvement of the US 20 / Barge Terminal Road intersection, which is being designed and implemented by the Illinois Department of Transportation as part of a larger program of safety improvements for the US 20 corridor between East Dubuque and Freeport and expansion of fertilizer storage capacity; expansion of salt storage capacity; and provision of new capacity for opportunity commodities including wood pulp and ethanol, along with a new dock.

Meyers informed the board two grant applications, Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) and Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP) have been submitted for both projects. Meyers stated the total cost for the project is \$29,291,250.00 and the grant requests is \$22,482,038.00. The non-federal match total is \$6,809,212.00, which will be covered by Gavilon and Logistics Park Dubuque to help make port improvements to their terminals.

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

No comments were made by the public.

Other Business

Ravada informed the Board, DMATS received \$345,000.00 from ILDOT for the Passenger Feasibility Study. An RFP will go out to hire a consultant.

Adjournment

Motion by Bardgett, second by Bates to adjourn the Thursday, August 13, 2020 DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Motion by McDonough, second by Resnick to adjourn the Thursday, August 13, 2020 DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Policy Board meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada
ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning