Secretarial Notes DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Date: Time: Place: Thursday, September 14, 2023 10:30 a.m. ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

□ Vacant

Engineer,

SWWPRC

City of East Dubuque

Jo Daviess County, IL

Steve Keeffer

Troy Maggied

Sam Shea*

(non-voting member)

Sarah Berning

Iowa DOT

DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:

Wally Wernimont City of Dubuque (proxy Jason Duba)

Gus Psihoyos (chair) Engineer, City of DBQ (proxy Bob Schiesl)

Ryan Knuckey Jule Transit (proxy Jodi Johnson)

Kris Tobin** Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates) (proxy Doug DeLille) **Beth Bonz** *City of Asbury*

Russell Weber** Engineer, DBQ County (proxy Wyatt Anderson)

Stacie Scott Regional Transit Authority (RTA) (proxy Gail Kuhle)

Stephen Flottmeyer** Wisconsin DOT (proxy Francis Schelfhout)

Others Present: Bob Schiesl, Laura Carstens

Staff Present: 🖂 Chandra Ravada

🛛 Dan Fox

*Non-Voting Member

**Voting member by Proxy

A quorum was present for DMATS Technical Advisory Board

Ed Raber *Dubuque County*

Dave Lambert Engineer Grant County, WI

Kelley Deutmeyer** ECIA (proxy Holly McPherson)

🛛 Jack Studier

***Attendance by phone

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Call to Order

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

Review/Approve the Agenda for the Thursday, September 14, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Motion by Bonz, second by Weber to approve the agenda for the Thursday, September 14, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the</u> <u>Thursday July 13, 2023 meeting</u>

Motion by Wernimont, second by Bonz, to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, July 13, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend resolutions for adopting Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT) 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 and WI DOT safety targets. Ravada explained every year Iowa and Wisconsin DOTs perform 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 that if the MPO performed the same test, our baseline would be very close to the DOTs. Therefore, MPO staff suggested adopting DOTs targets.

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

<u>Review/Recommend resolutions to Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP)</u> resolution for Smart Traffic Routing with Efficient and Effective Traffic System (STREETS) phase II

Ravada referred to the resolution stating this resolution is for phase II of the STREETS project. Ravada informed the board that phase I is wrapping up, and the staff will be applying for phase II for ICAAP funding. Applications are due by the first week of October 2023, and if funded, funds will be available by October 2024. Ravada stated the City of Dubuque will be the applicant for phase II.

Motion by Bonz, second by Wernimont, to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the resolution to Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) resolution for Smart Traffic Routing with Efficient and Effective Traffic System (STREETS) phase II. The motion passed unanimously.

Review/Recommend Urbanized Area Boundaries for DMATS

Ravada showed the board the updated map from IADOT that includes all the boundaries previously discussed that members wanted to be covered. The board went over the map and made sure all areas were covered.

Motion by Bonz, second by Wernimont to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Urbanized Area Boundaries for DMATS. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Review/Recommend Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds for Smart Traffic</u> <u>Routing with Efficient and Effective Traffic System (STREETS) phase II</u>

Ravada informed the board the total cost for Smart Traffic Routing with Efficient and Effective Traffic System (STREETS) phase II is two million dollars with a match of \$400k from the City of Dubuque, which leaves \$1.6 million to apply for ICAAP funds. Ravada stated typically, it is hard to get more than a million dollars from IADOT ICAAP program. Therefore, staff suggest using CRP funds for the STREETS phase II project. Ravada stated there is \$592,000.00 in the carbon reduction program. Ravada stated the CRP funds would work well for the STREETS project as the STREETS project will help reduce admissions throughout the area. Ravada stated that using the CRP funds will reduce the amount of funds being asked for from the ICAAP program.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Bonz, second by Scott to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Funds for Smart Traffic Routing with Efficient and Effective Traffic System (STREETS) phase II. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Review/Recommend Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds for Peosta</u> Street from Old Highway to rail crossing in the City of Peosta

Ravada stated Dubuque County is completing a project on Old Highway, which stops at Peosta Street. Ravada stated Dubuque County and the City of Dubuque approached staff asking for \$200,000.00 towards their project so that the county could extend the road project into the City of Peosta.

Motion by Bonz, second by Wernimont to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds for Peosta Street from Old Highway to rail crossing in the City of Peosta. The motion passed unanimously.

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

No comments were made by the public.

Other Business

SS4A Grant

Ravada informed the Board that Federal Highway signed the contract for the SS4A grant, so expect communication from staff as staff will start getting the project rolling.

Adjournment

Motion by Bonz, second by Weber to adjourn the Thursday, September 14, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning