# Secretarial Notes DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Date: Thursday, July 13, 2023

**Time:** 10:30 a.m.

Place: ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

#### **DMATS Technical Advisory Board Members Present:**

| ☑ Wally Wernimont**  City of Dubuque  (proxy Jason Duba)           | ☑ Beth Bonz City of Asbury   | Loras Herrig City of East Dubuque               | ☐ Tammy Henry Dubuque County                      |
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| ☐ Gus Psihoyos (chair) Engineer, City of DBQ (proxy Bob Schiesl)   | ■ Russell Weber**  Engineer,  DBQ County  (proxy Wyatt Anderson)   | ☐ Steve Keeffer Engineer, Jo Daviess County, IL | ☐ Dave Lambert Engineer Grant County, WI          |
| ☑ Ryan Knuckey Jule Transit (proxy Jake Ironside)                  | ☑ Stacie Scott Regional Transit Authority (RTA) (proxy Gail Kuhle) | ☐ Troy Maggied SWWPRC                           | ☐ Kelley Deutmeyer** ECIA (proxy Holly McPherson) |
| ☑ Kris Tobin** Illinois DOT (proxy Rob Bates) (proxy Doug DeLille) | Stephen Flottmeyer** Wisconsin DOT (proxy Francis Schelfhout)      | Sam Shea* Iowa DOT (non-voting member)          |   |
| Others Present: Bob Schiesl, Laura Carstens                        |  |   |   |
| Staff Present:<br>☑ Chandra Ravada                                 | ⊠ Dan Fox  | ⊠ Sarah Berning                                 | ☑ Jack Studier                                    |
| *Non-Voting Member   | **Voting member by Proxy   |   | ***Attendance by phone                            |

A quorum was present for DMATS Technical Advisory Board

### 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, July 13, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting

Motion by Duba, second by Scott to approve the agenda for the Thursday, July 13, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

# Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday May 18, 2023 meeting

Motion by Duba, second by Bonz to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday May 18, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## Review/Recommend projects for Federal Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ravada stated the projects added into the 2024-2027 TIP for approval,

- City of Asbury, Asbury Road and Hales Mill Road intersection roundabout
- City of Dubuque, Cedar Cross Road Reconstruction
- Dubuque County, Old Highway Road Paving (Cousins to Sundown Rd)

Motion by Duba, second by Scott to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the projects for Federal Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

### Review/Recommend amendment to DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ravada stated the amendments to the TIP are as followed,

• Removed Grant County's Bridge preventive project, US 61 Dubuque to Dickeyville

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

### Review/Recommend Final DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Ravada referred to the TIP, stating no major changes were made to the TIP, just a couple of formatting changes. All projects are included into the TIP except for the Dubuque County Old Highway project.

Motion by Bonz, second by Duba to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Final DMATS Federal Fiscal Year 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion passed unanimously.

#### Review/Recommend Bike and Pedestrian Plan for Dubuque County

Fox stated the input given from the Bike and Pedestrian Plan presentation made at the May meeting has been added to the plan. Fox stated no other corrections or input was received from the public, therefore, Fox requested the board to approve the Bike and Pedestrian plan for Dubuque County.

Motion by Duba, second by Scott to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Bike and Pedestrian Plan for Dubuque County. The motion passed unanimously.

# Review/Recommend Reviewing Iowa's Distribution Formulas for MPO Transportation Planning Funds in Iowa

Ravada stated due to the new census data multiple MPO areas have had significant growth in population which affected the distribution of their funding. Ravada stated with that, some of the bigger MPO's, like Des Moines and Bi-State, had a discussion and agreed the previous way DOT distributed funds now does is not fair to smaller MPO's and therefore proposed a new way to distribute funds. Ravada stated the bigger populated MPO's suggested each MPO receives what they previously received in funds and then the remaining funds be distributed according to population. Ravada stated if approved that will give our MPO an increase of \$7,283.00. Ravada informed the board DOT would like anonymous approval across all MPO's within Iowa.

The difference between the prior State Fiscal Year (SFY) and the current SFY, Iowa PL apportionment is allocated among MPO's by their share of total statewide urbanized area population change from the prior decennial census to the most recent decennial census.

Motion by Duba, second by Scott to recommend approval to the DMATS Policy Board the Iowa's Distribution Formulas for MPO Transportation Planning Funds for Iowa. The motion passed unanimously.

# Review Planning process for Safe Roads and Streets for All (SS4A) for cities within DMATS region

Fox went over the staff's planning process for SS4A. Fox stated that there are 58 cities staff will be contacting and working with to discuss their safety needs and concerns. Fox stated meetings will be held online and in-person. Staff would also like to form a county steering committee in all four counties to meet throughout the process and serve as the plan steering committee. Staff also plan to hold public input meetings and provide an online survey for the public. The goal is to complete the plan by spring 2025 and submit implementation grant applications in July 2025.

Discussion followed.

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

No comments were made by the public.

### **Other Business**

#### **Urban area Boundaries**

Shea informed the board he misspoke during the meeting about the Urban area boundaries and if the board would like to keep the 2010 boundary, they are able to keep the boundary area. Shea stated the board has 4 options; to keep the 2010 boundary area as is, to add more boundary area to the existing 2010 boundary area, to keep the 2020 boundary area as is, or to add more boundary area to the existing 2020 boundary area. The board asked for verification on what the 2010 boundary includes. Shea stated he will get clarification and come back to the board at the next meeting.

#### **Adjournment**

Motion by Duba, second by Bonz to adjourn the Thursday, July 13, 2023, DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Technical Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning