GIAMPO – Policy Board

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 Regular Session

Item E4

Update on the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan

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ISSUE

GIAMPO 2045 LRTP Project Update

BACKGROUND

The Grand Island Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (GIAMPO) was designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Grand Island, Nebraska urbanized area. The purpose of this project is to develop an update to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which is the current and first Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Journey 2040, for the GIAMPO Metropolitan Planning Area. An update to the Long Range Transportation Plan (GIAMPO 2045 LRTP) will guide transportation investments within the GIAMPO region to the planning horizon year of 2045.

The schedule of this project is to obtain GIAMPO Policy Board approval of GIAMPO 2045 LRTP by February 2021. The project scope of services has three (3) major elements resulting in the development of an updated Long Range Transportation Plan for the GIAMPO Metropolitan Planning Area. These elements are the following: Updating the GIAMPO Travel Demand Model, Updating the GIAMPO Long Range Transportation Plan, and Public Involvement and Stakeholder Outreach. The assumptions, procedures, data, and decisions made which culminates in the successful completion of this project must be sound and clearly documented.

The following is a progress update on the Long Range Transportation Plan:

- The consultant attended in-person kick-off meeting in Grand Island with LRTP steering committee on August 5.
- The consultant has been holding bi-weekly progress calls with MPO / City staff.
- The consultant reviewed data provided by the MPO.
- The consultant has begun evaluations and draft documentation of existing system performance and begun to share drafts with staff, including:
 - Bridge and pavement condition data
 - Traffic operations (congestion and reliability)
 - Bus ridership data
- The consultant has begun other required documentation for the LRTP, including:
 - Community profile
 - Inter-regional connections (air, intercity bus, etc.)
 - Research into population projections to establish how many houses, jobs, people we're planning for by 2045.
- Outreach and promotion efforts for the February 4th public open house and focus group meetings.
 - Press Release

- o Social Media
- o Email Notification
- o Spanish Language Outreach
- Promotion at Other Meetings
- Media Interviews

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS/DISCUSSION

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide an update on the GIAMPO 2045 Long Range Transportation plan.

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

None.

COMMITTEE ACTION

None.

RECOMMENDATION

None.

STAFF CONTACTS

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Agenda

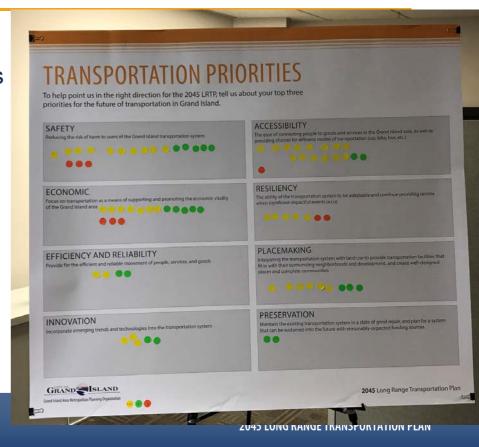
- Summary of Focus Groups and Public Visioning Workshop
- Next Steps for Long Range Transportation Plan Update



Focus Group Meetings - February 4

- Focus Group 1
 - Transportation Providers / Emergency Responders / Schools / Special Interests
 - 9:30 to 10:30
 - 18 Attendees
- Focus Group 2
 - Economic Development / Large Employers
 - 11:00 to 12:00
 - 8 Attendees
- Focus Group 3
 - Elected Officials
 - 1:00 to 2:00
 - 5 Attendees





Public Visioning Workshop - February 4

- Grand Island Public Library
- 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
- 35 Public Attendees
- News Media in Attendance
 - Local 4 News
 - Grand Island Independent





Public Open House - February 4

- Outreach / Promotion Efforts:
 - Press Release
 - Social Media
 - Email Notification
 - Spanish Language Outreach
 - Promotion at Other Meetings
 - Media Interviews
- Plan Information Provided
- Public Exercises:
 - Issues Mapping
 - Priorities / Goals Input





Exercise 1 - Issues Mapping

- Where Could Transportation Be Improved?
- What Are Good Transportation Examples You Want to See More Of?
- Issues Results still being summarized





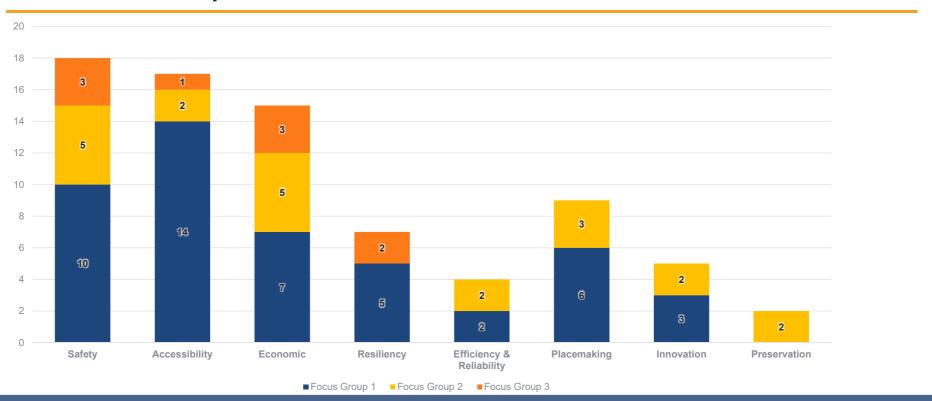
Exercise 2 - Priorities / Goals Ranking

- Respondents Choose Top 3 Transportation Priorities
- Choices Were:
 - Safety
 - Accessibility
 - Economic
 - Resiliency
 - Efficiency and Reliability
 - Placemaking
 - Innovation
 - Preservation



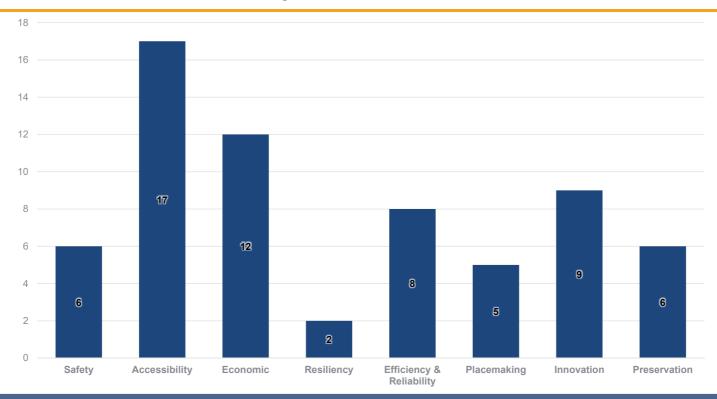


Preliminary Priority Area Results Focus Groups



Grand Island Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Preliminary Priority Area Results Open House Participants





Goals and Performance Measures





Next Steps

- Finalize LRTP Goals and Objectives
- Develop Performance Measures
- Develop Transportation Strategies and Alternatives



2045 LRTP Schedule





Thank You!

Questions?

