
Technical Advisory Committee

Monday, April 13, 2020

Regular Session

Item C1

Approval of Minutes from the February 10, 2020 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Staff Contact: Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director

GRAND ISLAND AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (GIAMPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MINUTES

February 10, 2020 at 10:00 am
Grand Island City Hall – Council Chambers
100 E 1st Street, Grand Island, NE 68801

Voting Members in Attendance:

Keith Kurz, City of Grand Island, Assistant Public Works Director	Present
John Collins, City of Grand Island, Public Works Director	Present
Jerry Janulewicz, City of Grand Island, City Administrator	Present
Chad Nabity, Hall County Regional Planning Director	Present
Steve Riehle, Hall County Public Works Director	Present
Mike Meyer, Merrick County Hwy Superintendent	Present
Wes Wahlgren, NDOT District 4 Engineer	Absent
Craig Wacker, NDOT Highway Planning Manager	Present
Ramona Schafer, Village of Alda	Present
Mike Olson, Central Nebraska Regional Airport	Absent
Charley Falmlen, City of Grand Island Transit Program Manager	Present

Non-Voting Members in Attendance:

Andres Gomez, City of Grand Island, MPO Program Manager	Present
Shannon Callahan, City of Grand Island, Street Superintendent	Absent
Patrick Brown, City of Grand Island, Finance Director	Present
Brian Schultz, City of Grand Island, Asst. Finance Director	Present
Catrina DeLosh, City of Grand Island, Public Works Admin Coordinator	Present
Tim Golka, City of Grand Island, Project Manager	Absent
Stacy Nonhof, City of Grand Island, City Attorney (interim)	Present
Cindy Johnson, Grand Island Area Chamber of Commerce	Absent
Mary Berlie, Grand Island Area Economic Development Corp.	Present
Justin Luther, FHWA, Transportation Planner, Realty, Civil Rights	Absent
Mark Bechtel, FTA, Community Planner	Absent
Logan Daniels, FTA, Region VII	Absent
Eva Steinman, FTA, Region VII Community Planner	Absent
Kaine McClelland, NDOT, State Modeler	Absent
Jeff Soula, NDOT, Local Projects Urban Engineer	Absent
Ryan Huff, NDOT, Planning and Project Development Engineer	Absent
Mark Fischer, NDOT, Assistant Planning Engineer	Absent
Tomlin Bentley, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad	Absent
Kyle Nodgaard, Union Pacific Railroad	Absent
Sara Thompson-Kassidy, Union Pacific Railroad	Absent

Call to Order

Nabity called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged. The attendance of Jason Carbee of HDR, Inc., as well as, Corinne Donahue and Katie Salerno of Olsson, Inc. was recognized, with Bill Bivin, Statewide Mobility Manager also present.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken.

Approval of Minutes from the December 9, 2019 Technical Advisory Committee

Motion by Janulewicz to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2019 meeting, seconded by Riehle. Upon voice vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Nabity stated he and Riehle have no issues remaining in their current roles, as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. Collins nominated Nabity to remain as Chair and Riehle to remain as Vice-Chair. With no other nominations, a motion was made by Collins, and second by Meyer to name Nabity as Chair and Riehle as Vice-Chair. Upon voice vote, all voted unanimously to approve Nabity as Chair and Riehle as Vice-Chair. Motion adopted.

Long Range Transportation Plan- Public Workshop and Focus Group Meeting Summary

Jason Carbee of HDR, summarized the Long Range Transportation Plan engagement results from the February 4, 2020 Focus Group and open house meetings. Safety, Accessibility and Economic ranked among the important priorities to those in attendance at the focus group meetings, which consisted of transportation providers, emergency responders, schools, special interests, economic development, large employers and elected officials. The open house participants ranked Accessibility, Economic and Innovation as their top priorities. The next step will be to develop performance measures, followed by development of transportation strategies and alternatives. The draft LRTP is planned to be complete October/November 2020 and adopted by the Policy Board early next year.

Grand Island- Hastings- Kearney Intercity Bus Feasibility Study

Corinne Donahue of Olsson, presented the existing conditions, intercity bus program, community outreach input, preferred alternative and next steps. The preliminary plan includes service during the weekday and start times as early as 5:00 AM. Schedules need to be refined, with budget updates for operating/capital, followed by an implementation plan. Funding is not definite at this point; FTA 5311, local match and fares. A draft report is planned March 2020, with service provided Fall 2021.

Transportation Improvement Program 2021- 2025 Call for Projects

Gomez will review the 1 & 6 plans for eligible projects within the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) to develop the 2021- 2025 TIP.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the TAC will be on April 13, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Nabity adjourned the meeting at 10:47 am.