

### Michigan Transportation Planning Association

### **Notice of Meeting**

Date/Time: Tuesday, June 20th, 2023 / 10:30 AM

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1. Call to Order	Laurel Joseph	
2. Introductions	Laurel Joseph	
3. Changes to the Agenda	Laurel Joseph	
4. Approval of the May 16th, 2023 Meeting Minutes*	Laurel Joseph	
5. Treasurer's Report	Lindsay Wallace	
6. Education Committee	Ryan Buck	
7. FHWA / FTA Update	Christina Nicholaides / Susan Weber	
8. TAMC Update	Ryan Buck	
9. Finance Committee	Laurel Joseph	
10. Policy Committee	Steve Stepek	
11. JobNet Tech	Jeff Franklin	
12. MDOT		
SPS General Update	Don Mayle	
2023-2026 TIP allocation Estimates 23 USC 164 (Drunk Driving Enforcement) Penalty	Matt Lyle	
2020 Census ACUB Review	David Fairchild	
13. Other New Business		
14. Adjournment	Laurel Joseph	

# Michigan Transportation Planning Association (MTPA) Meeting Attendance May 16, 2023, 10:30 AM

AGENCY	NAME	AGENCY	NAME
BayCATS	Dominic Pavone	MDOT	Jim Sturdevant
BayCATS	James Deweerdt	MDOT	John Lanum
BCATS	Pat Karr	MDOT	Josh Grab
ANN ARBOR	Trevor Brydon	MDOT	Karen Faussett
EUPRPDC	Katrina Harcourt	MDOT	Kyle Haller
FHWA	Andrew Sibold	MDOT	Kyle Kirchmeier
FHWA	Christina Nicholaides	MDOT	Lindsey Dowswell
FHWA	Jenny Staroska	MDOT	Luke Walters
FTA	Kathleen Russell	MDOT	Madee Thorburn
FTA	Susan Weber	MDOT	Matt Lyle
GCMPC	Jacob Maurer	MDOT	Max Gierman
GVMC	Andrea Faber	MDOT	Meredith Fryer
GVMC	Laurel Joseph	MDOT	Michele Zawerucha
KATS	Ali Townsend	MDOT	Michelle Weber-Currie
KATS	Steve Stepek	MDOT	Niles Annelin
MACC	Alec Miller	MDOT	Richard Bayus
MACC	Eric Dykstra	MDOT	Ryan Doyle
MATS	Bryan Gillett	MDOT	Tyler Kent
MATS	Maja Bolanowska	NN	Rob Carson
MDOT	Brad Sharlow	OHSP	Alicia Sledge
MDOT	Brian Sanada	OHSP	Emily Shinevar
MDOT	Bruce Kadzban	R2PC	Brett Gatz
MDOT	Bryan Armstrong	SATA	Demetra Manley
MDOT	Craig Newell	SCCOTS	Lindsay Wallace
MDOT	Deanna Donahoo	SEMCOG	Adam Elghoul
MDOT	Dennis Kent	SEMCOG	Ally Racisz
MDOT	Don Mayle	SEMCOG	Michele Fedorowicz
MDOT	Ed Fowler	SWMPC	Kim Gallagher
MDOT	Heather Bowden	TCRPC	Jim Koenig
MDOT	Heather Hoeve	TCRPC	Nicole Baumer
MDOT	Heidi Phaneuf	WATS	Anton Schauerte
MDOT	Heidi Spangler	WATS	Maggie Huntley
MDOT	Jeff Franklin	WATS	Nick Sapkiewicz
MDOT	Jim Ashman	WATS	Ryan Buck
		WMSRDC	Joel Fitzpatrick



#### MEETING MINUTES / MAY 16, 2023 / 10:30 AM

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Joseph called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

#### 2. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

Adam Elghoul provided an introduction. Adam is a Planner III at SEMCOG.

#### 3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 18th, 2023 MEETING MINUTES\*

A motion was made by Steve Stepek, supported by Ryan Buck, to approve the April 18th, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 5. MDOT UPDATES

<u>LAP Update on Safety Project Programming:</u> Heidi Spangler provided a presentation and explained that MPOs will soon no longer be able to program safety-funded jobs (HSIP/HRRR/VRU) in JobNet. In the future, MPOs must request a change to the LAP Safety Engineer to make changes to the funding amounts.

<u>SPS General Update:</u> Don Mayle stated that Bill Rottiers has sent out the Master Agreements to MPOs. There were also recent changes to the approved task list of Transportation Asset Management activities from MPOs to include in their UWPs.

<u>MTP 101 Training:</u> Brad Sharlow presented a document that outlined five virtual training sessions about Metropolitan Transportation Plans, scheduled to begin in June and end in November 2023. All five sessions will run from 1:30PM - 3:30PM following MTPA meetings, except for July. Pat Karr requested that air quality be added as a topic to the discussions, if it isn't already.

<u>NEVI Program Update</u>: Niles Annelin stated that the multi-state agency partnership has been changed from an EGLE-led grant to an MDOT-led grant and also provided a presentation regarding the RFQ and RFP process.



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OHSP Public Engagement with MPO Assistance: Emily Shinevar and Alicia Sledge stated that their office is focused on the education/behavior component of traffic safety. Emily indicated that OHSP is interested in hearing from MPOs what traffic safety issues currently exist and asked attendees a series of safety-related questions.

#### 6. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lindsay Wallace indicated that the current balance is \$23,733.

#### 7. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Ryan Buck stated that the registration deadline for the MTPA conference is June 9th. The first Lunch and Learn / NHI training course discussion is today and will follow this MTPA meeting. Maggie Huntley reminded any of the speakers to complete the Google Form that they received and head-shots. Additionally, the awards forms will also be sent out shortly.

#### 8. FHWA / FTA UPDATE

Christina Nicholaides provided a weblink to a website that outlines all of the current NOFOs that are currently available and provided an overview of the updates included in the packet. Susan Weber mentioned that FTA recently received the Coolidge Terminal Replacement Project FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact).

#### 9. TAMC UPDATE

Ryan Buck mentioned that there is no longer funding to collect culvert data from the Pilot program.

#### **10. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Matt Lyle reiterated that MDOT received the penalty of 25% NHPP and SPG to HSIP. There will be an internal meeting on 5/30 to discuss how the funds will be split between trunkline and local roads. More information is anticipated to come in early June, followed by the funding estimates.

#### 11. POLICY COMMITTEE

Steve Stepek stated there were no updates.

#### 12. JOBNET TECH

Jeff Franklin indicated the group did not meet in May and that the next meeting will be on June 12th.



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### 13. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Ryan Buck indicated that the Lunch and Learn course will start at 12:30PM today.

### 14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Joseph adjourned the meeting at 11:38AM.

## Updates from FHWA + FTA to MTPA June 20, 2023

#### **Key NOFO List**

#### **Application Deadlines Approaching for USDOT Discretionary Grant Opportunities**

Please be aware of the approaching application deadlines for the following discretionary grant opportunities from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT):

- June 13, 2023 for the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Discretionary Grant Program,
- July 10, 2023 for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program,
- July 26, 2023 for the Reduction of Truck Emissions at Port Facilities Grant Program,
- August 1, 2023 for the Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program (WCPP), and
- August 18, 2023 for the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program.

# Information- Eligibility of preventative maintenance under the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program

The STBG Program provides eligibility for transit capital projects eligible for assistance under chapter 53 of title 49, USC (23 U.S.C. 133(b)(1)(C)/23 U.S.C. 142(a)(2)). Since the transit program includes a statutorily defined term for "capital project" at 49 U.S.C. 5302(4) that specifically includes preventative maintenance, FHWA interprets preventative maintenance for transit as eligible for STBG funds.

Under 23 U.S.C. 126, States may transfer up to 50% of their apportionments to other programs. Once such funds are transferred to another program, the transferred funds assume the requirements of the program to which they are transferred. For example, a State may transfer a percentage (not to exceed 50%) of its NHPP apportionment to its STBG apportionment to add to the amount of available STBG funds. Once the NHPP funds are transferred, they may be obligated for any eligible STBG purpose.

Please direct any questions regarding what activities are eligible as a transit capital project to FTA (Susan).

# USDOT Launches the Equitable Transportation Community Explorer for the Justice40 Initiative

On May 5, 2023, the USDOT announced the availability of the Equitable Transportation Community (ETC) Explorer, and accompanying Story Map, to support the Department's Justice40 initiative. The ETC Explorer is an interactive web application that uses 2020 Census Tracts and data, to explore the cumulative burden communities experience, as a result of underinvestment in transportation. The ETC Explorer assesses transportation disadvantage across the following five components: (1) Transportation Insecurity, (2) Climate and Disaster Risk Burden, (3) Environmental Burden, (4) Health Vulnerability, and (5) Social Vulnerability. The USDOT will host information webinars for the ETC Explorer on Friday, June 2, 2023 at 1:00 pm Eastern and Monday, June 5, 2023 at 2:30 pm Eastern. Registration information is available here and here.

**USDOT Provides Toolkits for Electric Mobility Infrastructure in Urban and Rural Areas** 

On May 16, 2023, the USDOT published a "preview copy" of an <u>Urban Electric Mobility Toolkit</u> to help urban communities scope, plan, and identify ways to fund electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure. Urban communities, and stakeholders, can use the toolkit to identify key partners for an electric charging project, relevant planning tools, and available funding or financing opportunities. Previously, the USDOT published a <u>Rural Electric Mobility Toolkit</u> to help rural communities progress toward EV readiness.

#### FHWA Updates Guidance on Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning and Project Development

On May 19, 2023, the FHWA Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty published <u>updated guidance</u> on the Federal legislation, policies, and reference materials related to bicycle, pedestrian, and shared micromobility programs and projects. The guidance describes the range of opportunities to improve conditions for bicycling, walking, and shared micromobility, including available funding programs and planning and design resources that transportation agencies can use to address safety and connectivity among multiple modes of travel. More information is available <u>here</u>.

#### FHWA Publishes Report on Managing Pavements and Bridges in Fair Condition

In April 2023, the FHWA Office of Infrastructure published a new report entitled, <u>Considerations in Managing Pavements and Bridges in Fair Condition</u>. The report will help State and local transportation agencies understand why focusing investments on assets in fair condition is more effective than heavily investing in those in poor condition.

# NCHRP Completes Project on Effective Methods for Setting Transportation Performance Targets

The National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) recently completed project 23-07, <u>Effective Methods for Setting Transportation Performance Targets</u>, to help state departments of transportation (DOTs) and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) identify effective methods for setting transportation performance targets based on established national measures. The final deliverables include a <u>practitioner's guidebook</u> and a <u>report</u> documenting the research efforts.

# NCHRP Completes Project on State Transportation Agency Decision-Making for System Performance

NCHRP recently completed project 20-126(02), <u>State Transportation Agency Multifaceted</u>
<u>Decision-Making for Future System Performance</u>, to help improve the ability of state DOTS to integrate critical issues into their decisions about making transportation safe, efficient, sustainable, and equitable for people and goods. The final deliverables include a <u>practitioner's playbook</u> and a <u>report</u> documenting the research efforts.