

Minutes

**SIOUXLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ASSOCIATION (SRTPA)
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 1:30 p.m.
SIMPCO, 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, Iowa**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jacob Gilreath (<i>Substitute for Mark Nahra</i>)	Woodbury County, Iowa
John Meis	City of Cherokee, Iowa
Brian Pearson	Siouxland Regional Transit System
Sarah Tracy	Cherokee County, Iowa
Jason Vacura	City of Le Mars, Iowa

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT/GUESTS:

Dakin Schultz	Department of Transportation - IA
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STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Dawn Kimmel, Regional Planner II	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Emily Guthrie, Administrative Assistant II	SIMPCO

The Siouxland Regional Transportation Planning Association (SRTPA) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 1:30 p.m., in person at 6401 Gordon Drive, Sioux City, and virtually via Zoom.

SRTPA Secretary, Michelle Bostinelos, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

- I. **Approval of the Agenda:** Secretary Bostinelos asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 10, 2024, regular meeting agenda.

Jason Vacura moved to approve the meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Brian Pearson. Motion carried with all ayes.

- II. **Approval of the Minutes:** Vice Chair, Tom Rohe, asked if there were any additions or corrections to the November 8, 2023, regular meeting minutes.

John Meis moved to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Brian Pearson. Motion carried all ayes.

- III. **Review Monthly Correspondence:** Erin Berzina discussed projects and activities outlined in the Director's Report included in the meeting packet since the November 8, 2023 meeting.

- IV. **Transportation Improvement Progress Report:** SRTPA TAC voting, and non-voting members and guests provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the region.
- V. **FY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modifications:** Michelle Bostinelos asked the TAC to present any amendments or administrative modifications to the FY 2024-2027 TIP. Michelle did present the following amendment for positive recommendation to the Policy Board.

1. 12th Street SE (TPMS #47178) 8" PCC remove and replace in the City of Le Mars from 2nd Ave to 4th Ave SE needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$698,000 with \$432,600 (STBG SWAP) in FY 2025

John Meis moved to approve the amendment presented, seconded by Brian Pearson. Motion carried all ayes.

- VI. **Support for Iowa Department of Transportation's Application for a Railroad Crossing Elimination Program Grant:** SIMPCO staff along with Dakin Schultz from the IDOT asked the TAC to recommend that the Policy Board provide a letter of support for the submittal of the Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) grant under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) to fund a rail crossing study of the existing at-grade crossing of the BNSF Railway (BNSF) and the US Highway 75 (U.S. 75). elimination of a railroad crossing on US 75 in Plymouth County.

John Meis moved to approve the recommendation to the Policy Board to submit a letter of support for the IDOT to apply for the RCE grant. Motion seconded by Sarah Tracy. Motion carried all ayes.

- VII. **Draft Passenger Transportation Plan:** Dawn Kimmel presented the draft Passenger Transportation Plan (PTP) to the TAC noting final approval for the plan will be at the March SRTPA (RPA) meetings.

- VIII. **2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Draft Chapters 1-3:** Corinne Erickson presented the draft chapters 1: Introduction; chapter 2: Regional Background and Trends; chapter 3: Existing Regional Transportation System of the 2050 LRTP. Corinne noted the final plan will be brought back for approval at the November SRTPA (RPA) meetings.

- IX. **Officer Election:**

- a. Current Chair – Jeff Williams
- b. Current Vice Chair – Rom Rohe

Sarah Tracy moved to keep current officers as Jeff Williams, Chair and Tom Rohe, Vice Chair. Motion seconded by John Meis. Motion carried all ayes.

- X. **Additional Comments:** Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

XI. Adjournment: *Brian Pearson moved to adjourn, seconded by John Meis. Secretary Bostinelos closed the meeting at 2:14 p.m.*