

**562nd Meeting of the
FM Metro COG Transportation Technical Committee
Thursday, January 9, 2025 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room**

Members Present:

Julie	Bommelman	City of Fargo, MATBUS
Maegin	Elshaug	City of Fargo Planning (Alt. for Nicole Crutchfield)
Jeremy	Gorden	City of Fargo Transportation Engineering
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Cole	Hansen	Cass County Planning Director
Jace	Hellman	City of Horace – Community Development Director
Will	Hutchings	NDDOT – Local Government Division
Matthew	Jacobson	Clay County Planning
Don	Lorsung	City of Dilworth Community Development
Kyle	McCamy	City of West Fargo Engineering
Aaron	Nelson	West Fargo City Planning
Sarah	Orr	Concordia College
Mary	Safgren	MnDOT – District 4 Planning Director
Tom	Soucy	Cass County Highway (Alt. for Jason Benson)
Alex	Soyring	Clay County Engineering
Forrest	Steinhoff	City of Moorhead Planning (Alt. for Robin Huston)
Brit	Stevens	NDSU – Transportation Manager
Tom	Trowbridge	City of Moorhead Engineering

Members Absent:

Jason	Benson	Cass County Highway Engineer (Alternate present)
Nicole	Crutchfield	City of Fargo Planning (Alternate present)
Robin	Huston	City of Moorhead Planning (Alternate present)
Kelly	Krapu	Freight Representative - TrueNorth Compliance Service
Joe	Raso	GFMEDC
Justin	Sorum	Clay County Engineering (Alternate present)

Others Present:

Adam	Altenburg	Metro COG
Paul	Bervik	Metro COG
Karissa	Beierle Pavek	Metro COG
Angela	Brumbaugh	Metro COG
Dan	Farnsworth	Metro COG
Aiden	Jung	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG
Mackenzie	Mueller	Metro COG
Dylan	Dunn	Moore Engineering
Chelsea	Levorsen	City of Fargo
Bryan	McCoy	MnDOT
Scott	Middaugh	KLJ Engineering
Milt	Wilson	MnDOT District 4

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM, on January 9, 2025 by Chair Griffith. A quorum was present.

2. Approve the 562nd TTC Meeting Agenda

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the January 9, 2025 TTC Meeting Agenda. Chair Griffith requested pulling #7 Metro 2050 MTP – Transportation Moving Ahead.

**Motion: Approve the January 9, 2025 TTC Meeting Agenda, removing #7
Mr. McCamy moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchings.**

MOTION, PASSED.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVE December 12, 2024 TTC MEETING MINUTES

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the December 12, 2024 TTC Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Approve the December 12, 2024 TTC Minutes.

Mr. Lorsung moved, seconded by Ms. Bommelman.

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were made or received.

5. 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 3

Mr. Bervik presented Amendment 3 regarding the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A public notice was published on Wednesday, December 25, 2024, and comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Thursday, January 9, 2025. As of today, no comments have been received.

The proposed Amendment to the 2025-2028 TIP is as follows:

- 1. Modification of Project 4220019:** Fargo rehabilitation of bridge on 36th Street South at Rose Coulee (2025). Updated project cost.
- 2. Modification of Project 9240029:** NDDOT deck overlay and approach slabs of I-29 North bound at Rose Coulee (2025). Updated project cost. And moving project year from 2027 to 2025.
- 3. Modification of Project 9240030:** NDDOT deck overlay and approach slabs of I-29 South bound at Rose Coulee (2025). Updated project cost. And moving project year from 2027 to 2025.
- 4. Modification of Project 9240051:** NDDOT safety improvements at I-29 and ND 46 (2025). Updated project cost and breakdown.
- 5. New Project 3253045:** West Fargo Railroad overpass for 9th Street NE (2025).

6. **New Project 4253046:** Fargo removing negative left turn offsets at the intersection of 19th Avenue North and University Drive (2025).
7. **New Project 9253047:** NDDOT installation of cameras, Dynamic Message Signs, and other Intelligent Transportation Systems (2025).

Motion: Recommend approval of Amendment 3 of the Metro COG 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the Policy Board, with adjustments to projects.

Mr. Trowbridge moved, seconded by Mr. Gorden.

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Moorhead Safe Routes to School Plan

Mr. Farnsworth presented information on the Safe Routes to School Plan for Moorhead. The City of Moorhead had requested a study be done. It started in the beginning of 2024 with the cooperation of Moorhead School District, City of Moorhead, and PartnerSHIP 4 Health.

The study identifies safety concerns, existing challenges, policies, and recommendations for improvements.

Motion: Recommend Policy Board approval of the Moorhead Safe Routes to School Plan

Mr. Lorsung moved, seconded by Ms. Bommelman

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Metro 2050 MTP – Transportation Moving Ahead

This item was pulled from the agenda.

8. Agency Updates

- a. City of Fargo Engineering – NP Avenue Downtown will be under construction. 32nd Ave S will be closed, and traffic will have to detour. River Drive and 35th alignment has been approved. DOT and Fargo will be bidding on a bridge deck in March for I29 South of 32nd Ave.
- b. City of Fargo Planning – Nothing new to report
- c. City of Moorhead - Nothing new to report
- d. MATBUS – Nothing new that wasn't already discussed
- e. City of West Fargo – Nothing new to report
- f. City of Dilworth – 8th Avenue Study was reviewed. Starting the Comprehensive Plan process. The RFP for the design of the new community center is out.
- g. City of Horace – There are two open house workshops planned for the downtown area.
- h. Clay County – Nothing new to report
- i. Clay County Planning – The MN Auditor state of aggregate resources was just discussed. Can get people the link, if interested
- j. Cass County Engineering – Nothing new to report
- k. Cass County Planning – Hired someone for the assistant planner position
- l. NDSU – Nothing new to report
- m. Concordia – Hiring a parking and transportation specialist
- n. MnDOT District 4 – Nothing new to report
- o. MnDOT Central Office – Erika Shepard is transitioning to a new position, and Bryan McCoy will be the lead now.
- p. NDDOT – The STIP has been approved which also means the MPO TIP is approved as well.

9. Additional Business

10. Adjourn

The 562nd Regular Meeting of the TTC was adjourned on January 9, 2025 at 10:52 AM.

Mr. Trowbridge moved to Adjourn; Mr. Gorden seconded

THE NEXT FM METRO COG TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 13, 2025, 10:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager