

The 655th Policy Board Meeting Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments THURSDAY, May 21, 2026 – 4:00 PM AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Introductions
 - a. Introductions & Roll Call
 - b. Approve Order and Contents of the Overall Agenda Action Item
 - c. Approve Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2026 Action Item
 - d. Approve May 2026 Accounts Payable (bills list) Action Item
2. Consent Agenda **Action Item**
 - a. April 2026 End-of-Month Report
 - b. Establish Cash Reserve Fund
3. Regular Agenda
 - a. Public Comment Opportunity Public Input
 - b. 2026-2029 TIP Amendment 4 **Action Item**
 - c. New Fargo-Moorhead Area Bike Maps Information Item
4. Additional Business Information Item
5. Adjourn

REMINDER: The next Metro COG Policy Board Meeting will be held
Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 4:00 PM.

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89719103440?pwd=5joY7ACfXW8cnJgll8tgT3YaQEk1Mv.1>

Bolded Action Items require roll call votes.

Full Agenda packets can be found on the Metro COG Web Site at <http://www.fmmetrocog.org>

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654th Policy Board Meeting
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments
Thursday, April 16, 2026 – 4:00 PM

Members Present:

Duane	Breitling	Cass County Commission
Chuck	Hendrickson	Moorhead City Council
Stephanie	Landstrom	Horace City Council
Nicole	Mattson	Moorhead City Council
Sebastian	McDougall	Moorhead City Council
Jenny	Mongeau	Clay County Commission
Brad	Olson	West Fargo City Commission
Dave	Piepkorn	Fargo City Commission
Mike	Reitz	MATBUS Representative
Dave	Steichen	Dilworth City Council
John	Strand	Fargo City Commission

Members Absent:

Rory	Jorgensen	West Fargo City Commission
Denise	Kolpack	Fargo City Commission
Art	Rosenberg	Fargo Planning Commission
Thomas	Schmidt	Fargo Planning Commission
Maranda	Tasa	Fargo Planning Commission
Michelle	Turnberg	Fargo City Commission
Aaron	Murra	NDDOT Fargo District Engineer (<i>ex-officio</i>)
Shiloh	Wahl	MnDOT District 4 Engineer (<i>ex-officio</i>)

Others Present:

Adam	Altenburg	Metro COG
Karissa	Beierle Pavek	Metro COG
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Aiden	Jung	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG
Linghao	Zhang	Metro COG
Will	Hutchings	NDDOT - Local Government Division

1a. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER, WELCOME, AND INTRODUCTIONS, convened

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM, on April 16, 2026 by Chair Olson, noting a quorum was present.

1b. Approve Order and Contents of Overall Agenda, approved

Chair Olson asked for approval for the overall agenda.

MOTION: Approve the contents of the Overall Agenda of the April 16, 2026 Policy Board Meeting.

Mr. Hendrickson moved, seconded by Mr. Rietz

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

1d. Past Meeting Minutes, approved

Chair Olson asked for approval of the Minutes of the March 19, 2026 Meeting.

MOTION: Approve the March 19, 2026 Policy Board Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Strand moved, seconded by Mr. Breitling

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

1e. Monthly Account Payables (Bills), approved

Chair Olson asked for approval of the April 16, 2026 Accounts Payable as listed on Attachment 1d.

MOTION: Approve the April 2026 Accounts Payable List.

Mr. Hendrickson moved, seconded by Mr. Breitling

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Olson asked for approval of Items a-b on the Consent Agenda.

a. March 2026 Month End Report

b. Metro COG 1st Quarter Report

MOTION: Approve Items a-b on the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Hendrickson moved, seconded by Mr. Breitling

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

3. REGULAR AGENDA

There were no action items on the regular agenda section.

3a. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were provided or received.

4. Additional Business

Mr. Griffith stated he had three announcements:

- Our new Assistant Transportation Planner, Linghao Zhang, started on Monday.
- Our Independent Financial Auditors were onsite on Monday. They still have a lot of work to do but they had emailed requests ahead of time and we were able to send information to them.
- Have not heard anything on the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) BloodSync Grant. This is the last year for this grant as it will not be renewed for 2027.

Chair Olson announced that he would not be attending the May 21 Policy Board meeting.

Vic Chair Landstrom acknowledged that she would Chair the May 21 Policy Board meeting but would not be attending the May 4 Executive Committee meeting.

5. Adjourn

The 654th Meeting of the FM Metro COG Policy Board held Thursday, April 16, 2026 was adjourned by Chair Olson at 4:07 PM.

Mr. Breitling moved, seconded by Mr. McDougall.

THE NEXT FM METRO COG POLICY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026 at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager

	Vendor	Date	Num	Memo/Description	Due Date	Open Balance
American United Life Insurance Company	American United Life Insurance Company	06/01/2026	G00622518 06/26		06/11/2026	124.20
Total for American United Life Insurance Company						\$ 124.20
Balance Tax & Accounting (ACH)	Balance Tax & Accounting (ACH)	05/01/2026	7635		05/11/2026	1,650.00
Total for Balance Tax & Accounting (ACH)						\$ 1,650.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield Of ND	Blue Cross Blue Shield Of ND	06/01/2026	260514079744		06/30/2026	13,007.42
Total for Blue Cross Blue Shield Of ND						\$ 13,007.42
Brady, Martz & Associates, P. C.	Brady, Martz & Associates, P. C.	04/27/2026	911952		05/07/2026	10,500.00
Total for Brady, Martz & Associates, P. C.						\$ 10,500.00
Cardmember Services	American Planning Association	04/01/2026				716.44
	Enterprise RAC	04/01/2026				53.10
	Zoom	04/01/2026				47.97
	Microsoft	04/08/2026				49.57
Total for Cardmember Services						\$ 867.08
Case Plaza LLC	Case Plaza LLC	06/01/2026	06/26 Rent		06/30/2026	7,885.41
Total for Case Plaza LLC						\$ 7,885.41
Dan Farnsworth	Dan Farnsworth	05/16/2026	05.16.26 Reimb		05/31/2026	248.31 * <new>
	Dan Farnsworth	04/25/2026	04.25.26 Reimb		05/31/2026	716.02
Total for Dan Farnsworth						\$ 964.33
Eide Bailly LLP	Eide Bailly LLP	05/07/2026	SI00051814		05/17/2026	1,137.00
Total for Eide Bailly LLP						\$ 1,137.00
Forum Communications Printing	Forum Communications Printing	04/21/2026	270554		04/30/2026	1,218.15
Total for Forum Communications Printing						\$ 1,218.15
Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc	Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc	04/30/2026	2026.002-2		05/10/2026	46,255.88
	Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc	04/30/2026	2026.002-1		05/10/2026	48,302.70
Total for Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc						\$ 94,558.58
Hutman, Inc						

	Vendor	Date	Num	Memo/Description	Due Date	Open Balance
	Hutman, Inc	04/15/2026	39245		04/25/2026	330.00
Total for Hutman, Inc						\$ 330.00
Karissa Pavek						
	Karissa Pavek	04/23/2026	04.23.26 Reimb		05/03/2026	697.83
Total for Karissa Pavek						\$ 697.83
Liberty Business Systems, Inc						
	Liberty Business Systems, Inc	05/11/2026	41971911		05/31/2026	182.93
Total for Liberty Business Systems, Inc						\$ 182.93
Linghao Zhang						
	Linghao Zhang	05/06/2026	05.06.26 Reimb		05/16/2026	51.48
Total for Linghao Zhang						\$ 51.48
Metro COG Staff						
	Metro COG Staff	04/15/2026	168	Staff Money	04/15/2026	35.00
	Metro COG Staff	04/30/2026	169	Staff Money	04/30/2026	40.00
Total for Metro COG Staff						\$ 75.00
Midco Business						
	Midco Business	05/11/2026	16879260215399		05/21/2026	334.78
Total for Midco Business						\$ 334.78
Mutual of Omaha						
	Mutual of Omaha	06/01/2026	2101147027		06/11/2026	295.65
Total for Mutual of Omaha						\$ 295.65
NDPA						
	NDPA	05/08/2026	202		05/31/2026	310.00
Total for NDPA						\$ 310.00
NDSU Grant and Contract Accounting						
	NDSU Grant and Contract Accounting	04/13/2026	FAR-0000109793		04/23/2026	2,500.00
Total for NDSU Grant and Contract Accounting						\$ 2,500.00
Nicole Lipinoga						
	Nicole Lipinoga	05/07/2026	05.07.26 Reimb		05/17/2026	82.65
Total for Nicole Lipinoga						\$ 82.65
Payroll Professionals Inc						
	Payroll Professionals Inc	04/15/2026	168	Payroll Professionals	04/15/2026	85.00 *
	Payroll Professionals Inc	04/30/2026	169	Payroll Professionals	04/30/2026	80.00
Total for Payroll Professionals Inc						\$ 165.00
ReadiTech						
	ReadiTech	05/01/2026	2586800 05/26		05/11/2026	69.00

	Vendor	Date	Num	Memo/Description	Due Date	Open Balance
Total for ReadiTech						\$ 69.00
Wex Health Inc						
	Wex Health Inc	04/30/2026	2359481-IN		05/10/2026	25.00
Total for Wex Health Inc						\$ 25.00
TOTAL						\$ 137,031.49

Payroll Liabilities

Federal Withholding	3,873.58
Federal Social Security - ee	2,013.09
Federal Social Security - er	2,013.10
Federal Medicare - ee	470.81
Federal Medicare - er	470.80
Minnesota Withholding	116.00
North Dakota Withholding	212.00
Health Savings	902.06
Employee IRA	1,152.06
Employer IRA	611.40
Total	\$ 11,834.90
Grand Total	\$ 148,866.39

*Additional amount from packet = \$253.31. Dan Farnsworth had an additional reimbursement for Safe Routes to School Project of \$248.31 and additional \$5 to Payroll Professionals State Workforce report filing

Agenda Item 2a Attachment 1

Metro COG Month End Budget Summary April 2026			
Unified Planning Work Program			
Staff Time Categories	Budget ⁴	Spent	% Spent
100 - Policy/Admin Forums	\$99,610.16	\$19,114.91	19.2%
200 - Contracted Planning Services	\$64,318.13	\$15,566.90	24.2%
300 - Federal Transportation Planning	\$243,859.10	\$52,669.17	21.6%
400 - Technical Transportation Data	\$159,747.70	\$51,212.96	32.1%
500 - Transit Planning	\$40,151.59	\$6,921.15	17.2%
600 - Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning	\$76,085.02	\$15,366.06	20.2%
700 - Local Planning Assistance	\$56,210.62	\$22,461.52	40.0%
800 - General Administration ¹	\$322,780.92	\$91,141.59	28.2%
900 - Publications, Public Info & Comms	\$12,600.14	\$4,099.27	32.5%
1000 - Community Planning (local only) ²	\$5,300.62	\$0.00	0.0%
<i>Internal Program Subtotal</i>	\$1,080,664.00	\$278,553.53	25.8%
800a - 800r - Overhead (Fed Elig.)	\$374,210.01	\$236,595.93	63.2%
801 - Overhead (local only)	\$3,800.00	\$1,244.64	32.8%
Sub Total Internal Program Operations	\$1,458,674.01	\$516,394.10	35.4%
1100 - Contracted Planning Services	\$540,192.00	\$103,827.89	19.2%
Summary of UPWP Costs	\$1,998,866.01	\$620,221.99	31.03%
Breakdown of Personnel Costs	Budget	Actual YTD	% Spent
Payroll Salaries	\$865,474.78	\$260,661.65	30.1%
Health, Vision, Dental Insurance	\$96,678.48	\$26,665.25	27.6%
Life & AD&D Insurance (Mutual of Omaha)/LTD	\$1,440.00	\$355.48	24.7%
Employer Simple IRA Contribution ³	\$25,415.09	\$4,872.15	19.2%
Payroll Tax Expense - FICA ³	\$66,240.56	\$18,077.20	27.3%
Employer HSA Contribution ³ / Monthly Fee	\$25,415.09	\$7,750.00	30.5%
Misc. Payroll, Recruitment		\$382.69	N/A
North Dakota Unemployment Insurance/workers Comp	\$0.00	\$220.65	N/A
Total	\$1,080,664.00	\$318,985.07	29.5%

¹Includes vacation, sick and holiday leave in addition to general administration

²Includes contracts with local entities (Assistance to Food Comm.)

³Employer Contribution Only

⁴2026-2027 UPWP as Amended 02/19/2026



To: Policy Board members
From: Ben Griffith, AICP, Executive Director
Date: May 14, 2026
Re: **Cash Reserve Fund Establishment**

For the past several months, staff have been working with the Executive Committee to establish a Cash Reserve Fund for Metro COG. In our discussions, there has been no question that a Cash Reserve Fund needs to be established; the questions have focused on the amount needed, how it would be funded, and how to maintain it once established.

There are several reasons to establish a Cash Reserve Fund. These include maintenance of operations in case of a Federal government shutdown; a “cushion” of funds to maintain cash flow during funding shortfalls or other disruptions to funding; and to maintain a reserve fund for payout of accrued sick and vacation time that may arise in the event of an employee separation.

Several funding proposals were prepared and discussed with the Executive Committee over the past months. The Executive Committee members discussed reserve funds with their respective Finance Directors and Chief Administrative Officers. The question “Will it be enough?” was heard again and again throughout our discussions.

The table below represents the preferred funding scenario selected by the Executive Committee to establish the Cash Reserve Fund. The column hi-lighted in yellow indicates each member jurisdiction’s contribution would be in Year 1 (2027) for a first-year total of \$80,000. The Annual totals for each successive year decreases by \$10,000 until the targeted amount of \$350,000 is reached in Year 7.

Metro COG Cash Reserve Fund								
		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7
Cass County	5.3%	\$4,240	\$3,710	\$3,180	\$2,650	\$2,120	\$1,590	\$1,060
Clay County	6.1%	\$4,880	\$4,270	\$3,660	\$3,050	\$2,440	\$1,830	\$1,220
Dilworth	2.0%	\$1,600	\$1,400	\$1,200	\$1,000	\$800	\$600	\$400
Fargo	50.0%	\$40,000	\$35,000	\$30,000	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$15,000	\$10,000
Horace	1.3%	\$1,040	\$910	\$780	\$650	\$520	\$390	\$260
Moorhead	19.3%	\$15,440	\$13,510	\$11,580	\$9,650	\$7,720	\$5,790	\$3,860
West Fargo	16.2%	\$12,960	\$11,340	\$9,720	\$8,100	\$6,480	\$4,860	\$3,240
Annual Totals		\$80,000	\$70,000	\$60,000	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$30,000	\$20,000
Cummulative Totals		\$80,000	\$150,000	\$210,000	\$260,000	\$300,000	\$330,000	\$350,000

Staff reviewed Metro COG finances for the past 5 years, going back to 2021, and calculated what the minimum amount required to maintain Metro COG operations for a single month would be. There were two amounts: the first amount would be \$124,000 which would cover basic operations to keep the doors open, the lights on and staff paid. The second amount would be \$200,000 which covers basic operations for a month and includes an amount for monthly consultant invoices averaged out over the 5-year period.

As a general rule, most cities and counties are required to maintain enough cash on hand to operate for at least 6 months. For Metro COG, based on the calculations above, maintaining a Cash Reserve Fund would range from \$744,000 to \$1,200,000, both of which seem excessively high. There are no regulations regarding the establishment and/or maintenance of a cash reserve fund for MPOs, only Best Management Practices (BMPs) and general financial guidelines from various sources.

Establishment of a Cash Reserve Fund would be for a separate and distinct account than Metro COG's checking account. This account is not intended to be used for daily operations and expenses, unless it is as the last resort. A report on expenditures and balances of the Cash Reserve Fund will be provided to the Policy Board as part of the End-of-Month report. If funds are withdrawn from the Cash Reserve Fund, they would be replaced as soon as practicable to do so.

At their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 4, 2026, the Executive Committee recommended approval of the establishment of a Cash Reserve Fund with the funding scenario as proposed.

Recommendation: Approve establishment of a Cash Reserve Fund with the funding scenario as proposed beginning in 2027.

To: Policy Board
From: Adam Altenburg and Linghao Zhang, Metro COG
Date: May 14, 2026
Re: **2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 4**

The Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments (Metro COG) will hold a public meeting both in person and virtually on Thursday, May 21, 2026 at 4:00 PM to consider public comments regarding a proposed amendment to the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the FM metropolitan area.

The proposed amendment to the 2026-2029 TIP is as follows:

1. **Modification of Project 4240011:** Cass County reconstruction of 17th Avenue S from 25th Street to University Drive (2026). Change in available STBG funding and local revenue amounts.
2. **New Project 3264069:** West Fargo construction of shared use path, Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) and box culvert extension at Sheyenne River (2027). New STBG-funded project replacing original CRP- and TA-funded project in 2029.
3. **Modification of Projects 1250016 and 1250017:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S (2026 and 2027). Adding additional available TA funding in 2026 and subtracting amount from 2027 TA funding.
4. **Modification of Project 4230018:** Fargo Transit Mobility Manager (2026). Adding additional available FTA 5310 funding.
5. **Modification of Project 4240026:** Fargo Transit Mobility Manager (2027). Adding additional available FTA 5310 funding.
6. **Modification of Project 4260022:** Fargo Transit Mobility Manager (2028). Adding additional available FTA 5310 funding.
7. **New Project 4264070:** Fargo Transit FTA 5310-funded replacement bus for paratransit (2028).
8. **Modification of Project 4260042:** Fargo Transit Mobility Manager (2029). Adding additional available FTA 5310 funding.
9. **New Project 5264071:** Moorhead Transit CRP-funded replacement of two (2) bus shelters (2026). Note: CRP funding originally obligated in 2023 for transit hub improvements at Dilworth Walmart; grant was closed out and CRP funding was deobligated in 2026.
10. **New Project 5264072:** Moorhead Transit FTA 5310-funded replacement bus for paratransit (2026).
11. **New Project 5264073:** Moorhead Transit FTA 5339-funded automated passenger avoidance system (2026).

12. **New Project 5264074:** Moorhead Transit FTA 5339-funded purchase of two (2) buses for microtransit (2026).
13. **Removal of Project 3260005:** West Fargo construction of shared use path and pedestrian bridge crossing at Sheyenne River (2029). Removing original CRP-funded project and replacing with new 2027 STBG-funded project.
14. **Removal of Project 3260008:** West Fargo construction of shared use path and pedestrian bridge crossing at Sheyenne River (2029). Removing original TA-funded project and replacing with new 2027 STBG-funded project.

See **Attachment 1** for more detailed project information.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2026, the TTC unanimously recommended approval of TIP Amendment 4 to the Policy Board.

Requested Action: Pending public comments, recommend Policy Board approval of Amendment 4 to Metro COG's 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Agenda Item 3b Attachment 1

Lead Agency	Metro COG ID State Number	Project Year	Project Location	Length	Project Limits From	Project Limits To	Project Description	Improvement Type	Total Project Cost	Federal Revenue Source	Federal Revenue	State Revenue	Local Revenue	Other Revenue
Amendment 4 - 2026-2029 Metro COG TIP														
New and existing projects with changes														
City of Fargo	4240011 24237	2026	17th Avenue S		25th Street S	University Drive	Reconstruction of 17th Avenue S in Fargo	Reconstruction	\$9,960,000	STBG	\$5,400,000 \$5,295,298.01		\$4,560,000 \$4,664,701.99	
City of West Fargo	3264069	2027	Beaton Drive		Sheyenne Street	Bobcat Company	Construction of shared use path, RRFB, and box culvert extension at Sheyenne River	Bike/Ped	\$7,900,000	STBG	\$1,440,000	\$3,871,000	\$2,589,000	
Cass County	1250016 24418	2026	South University Drive		54th Avenue South	88th Avenue South	Reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive South Connected to MID 1250017 and 1263068.	Reconstruction	\$2,216,656	TA	\$969,751 \$1,158,207.73		\$348,650	\$898,255 \$709,798.27
Cass County	1250017 24418	2027	South University Drive		54th Avenue South	88th Avenue South	Reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive South Connected to MID 1250016 and 1263068.	Reconstruction	\$705,000 \$516,543.27	TA	\$564,000 \$375,543.27		\$141,000	
Fargo Transit	4230018	2026	Transit				Mobility Manager	Transit Capital	\$108,243 \$293,595	FTA 5310	\$86,594 \$234,876		\$21,649 \$58,719	
Fargo Transit	4240026	2027	Transit				Mobility Manager	Transit Capital	\$108,243 \$165,392	FTA 5310	\$86,594 \$132,313		\$21,649 \$33,079	
Fargo Transit	4260022	2028	Transit				Mobility Manager	Transit Capital	\$136,000 \$170,355	FTA 5310	\$88,000 \$136,284		\$48,000 \$34,071	
Fargo Transit	4264070	2028	Transit				Replacement <30ft Bus for Paratransit (8231)	Transit Capital	\$200,000	FTA 5310	\$160,000		\$40,000	
Fargo Transit	4260042	2029	Transit				Replacement <30ft Bus for Paratransit (8234)	Transit Capital	\$175,500 \$200,000	FTA 5310	\$140,400 \$160,000		\$35,100 \$40,000	
Moorhead Transit	5264071	2026	Transit				CRP: City of Moorhead Replacement of Two (2) Bus Shelters	Transit Capital	\$84,000	CRP	\$67,200		\$16,800	
Moorhead Transit	5264072	2026	Transit				Replacement <30ft Bus for Paratransit (7191)	Transit Capital	\$200,000	FTA 5310	\$160,000		\$40,000	
Moorhead Transit	5264073	2026	Transit				Automated Passenger Avoidance System	Transit Capital	\$60,000	FTA 5339	\$48,000		\$12,000	
Moorhead Transit	5264074	2026	Transit				Expansion <30ft Bus for Microtransit (2)	Transit Capital	\$440,000	FTA 5339	\$352,000		\$88,000	
Amendment 4 - 2026-2029 Metro COG TIP														
Removal of existing projects														
City of West Fargo	3260005	2029	Beaton Drive		Sheyenne Street	0.7 miles West of 9th Street East	Construction of a shared use path and pedestrian bridge crossing the Sheyenne River. Connected to 3260008	Bike/Ped	\$1,580,160	CRP	\$1,220,000		\$360,160	
City of West Fargo	3260008	2029	Beaton Drive		Sheyenne Street	0.7 miles West of 9th Street East	Construction of a shared use path and pedestrian bridge crossing the Sheyenne River. Connected to 3260005	Bike/Ped	\$523,965	TA	\$419,172		\$104,793	

To: Metro COG Policy Board
From: Aiden Jung, Dan Farnsworth
Date: May 14, 2026
Re: **New Fargo-Moorhead Area Bike Maps**

Metro COG recently developed and printed new Fargo-Moorhead Area bike maps. This marks the first time since 2018 that Metro COG has produced and distributed printed bike maps. After discontinuing printed maps in 2018 in favor of an online bike map app, Metro COG received repeated requests from the public and partner agencies for a printed version. In response, Metro COG moved forward with producing a new edition of the map.

A total of 6,000 maps were printed. The maps are 12" x 18" unfolded and fold down to a compact 3" x 4.5" for easy distribution and use. Maps are being distributed to various locations which include libraries, community centers, bike shops, and other public-facing locations throughout the Fargo-Moorhead Area.

In addition to the printed maps, the updated online bike map is now live and will continue to be maintained and updated on an ongoing basis as the regional bike network evolves. The online bike map can be accessed at:
www.fmmetrocog.org/fmbikemap.

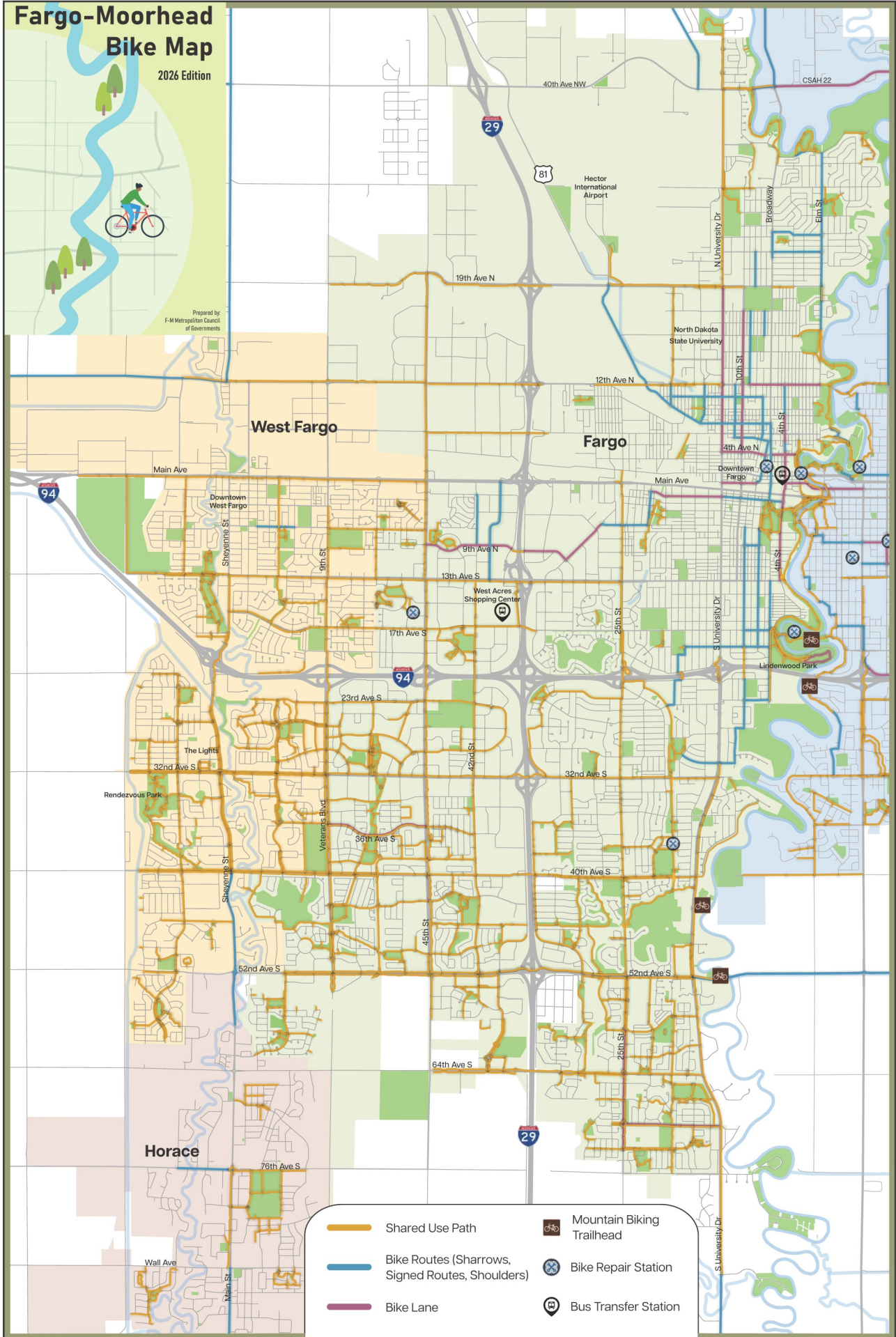
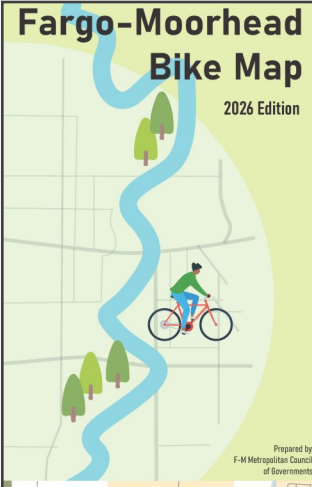
Metro COG also printed 5,000 3.5" x 2" cards to notify the public of the online bike map. These cards, which will be distributed in conjunction with the maps, provide a QR code to easily direct the public to the online map.

Attached is the map as well as a list of the locations where Metro COG intends to distribute the maps.

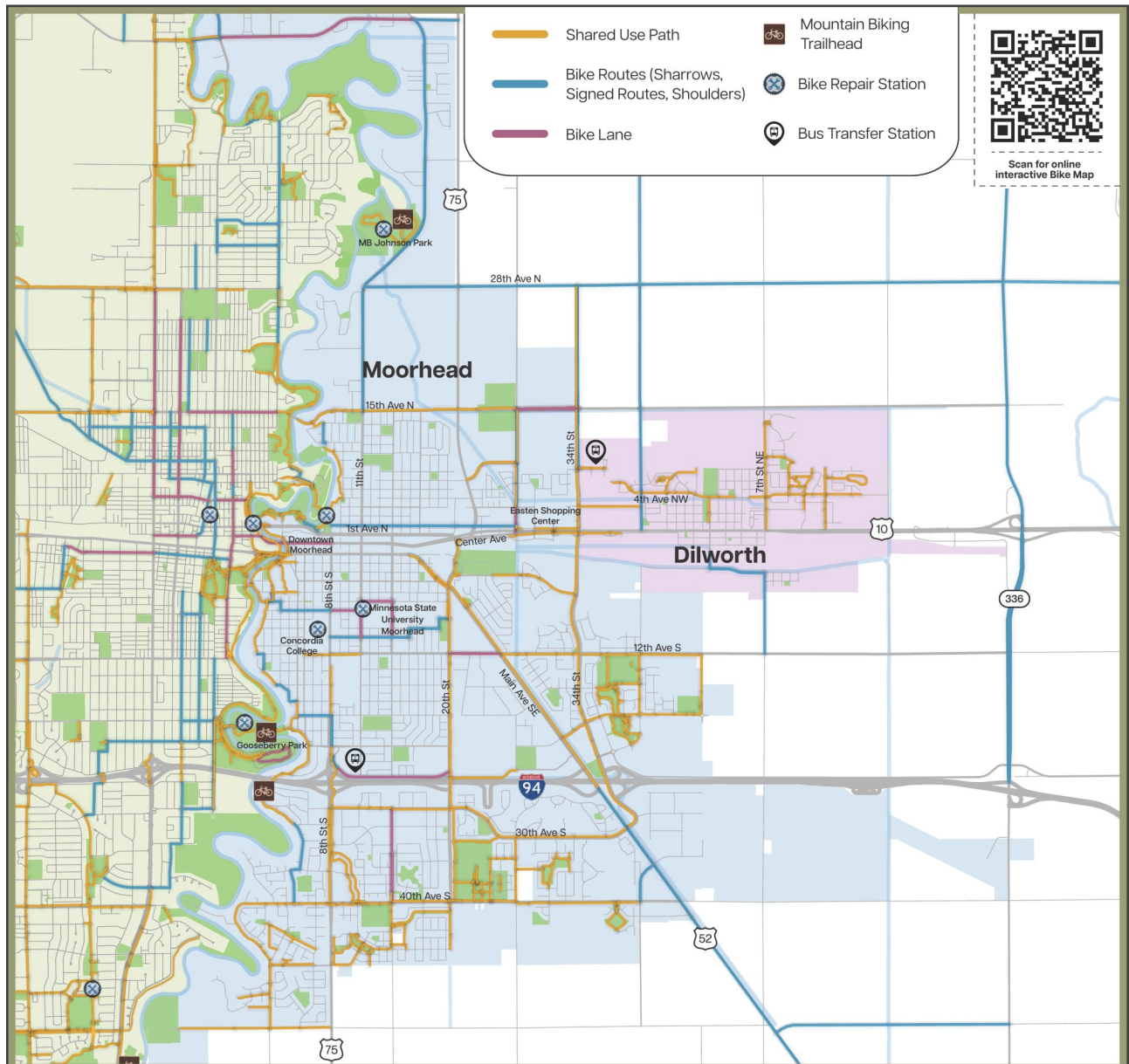
Requested Action: None – Informational Only

Fargo-Moorhead Bike Map

2026 Edition



- Shared Use Path
- Bike Routes (Sharrows, Signed Routes, Shoulders)
- Bike Lane
- Mountain Biking Trailhead
- Bike Repair Station
- Bus Transfer Station



On-road biking:
Must know biking signals

Stop Alternate right turn Right turn Left turn

Bike Safety:
Bicyclists share the same privileges and responsibilities as drivers of motor vehicles, and must obey all traffic control signs and signals.

Wear bright/reflective clothing Always wear a helmet

Make sure your bike has reflectors If riding at night, make sure your bike has lights

For more bike safety information:
<https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/bicycle-safety>
<https://www.dot.state.mn.us/bike/safety-education.html>

Sharrow: Share the road with vehicles

Bike lane at an intersection: Cars yield to bicycles when merging over dashed line

Bike lane: Bicycles only min. 4'

On-road shoulder: Bicycles have a minimum of 4' on a designated shoulder bike facility

Safety Tips:

- "Alternate left turn" if you cannot get into the left lane in time.
- Stay away from the curb as you approach an intersection. A car may cut you off.
- Stay 4 feet away from parked cars.
- Before crossing a street at a roundabout, scan both ahead of you and to the left towards oncoming traffic.
- At roundabouts, bicycles merge with cars and use the whole lane. Pedestrians cross at crosswalks.
- Dashed lines indicate the car may enter the bike lane to turn but must yield to the bicycles.
- In a bike lane travel with the flow of traffic, not against it.
- Do not pass a truck or a bus on their right side. This is a blind spot for them and they may run you off the road.
- Travel in bike lanes; do not weave in and out of parking areas.
- Take precaution as you approach an alley, intersection, and driveway and make sure that cars can see you, especially if the drivers view is blocked by an object.
- Make sure you have a clear view towards on-coming traffic as you approach an intersection.
- Follow all traffic signage.
- Riding along a shoulder, you always travel with the flow of traffic.
- Before crossing a street on a bike path, scan in all directions.
- Advise others in front of you as you pass them.
- On a shared use path, stay to the right side of the bikeway unless you are passing.

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West Fargo Parks	200
Dilworth (city and school district)	150
Cass County	100
Clay County	100
Great Northern Cycles	500
Scheel's (Fargo)	500
Scheel's (Moorhead)	250
MATBUS Ground Transportation Center	75
FM Visitors and Convention Bureau	500
River Keepers	150
Lindenwood Campground	150
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Flatlands Cycling	100
FM Bike Doc	100