

**653rd Policy Board Meeting
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments
Thursday, March 19, 2026 – 4:00 PM**

Members Present:

Chuck	Hendrickson	Moorhead City Council (joined at 4:05 PM)
Jim	Kapitan	Cass County Commission (Alternate for D. Breitling)
Denise	Kolpack	Fargo City Commission
Nicole	Mattson	Moorhead City Council
Brad	Olson	West Fargo City Commission
Dave	Piepkorn	Fargo City Commission
Art	Rosenberg	Fargo Planning Commission
Thomas	Schmidt	Fargo Planning Commission
Dave	Steichen	Dilworth City Council
John	Strand	Fargo City Commission
Maranda	Tasa	Fargo Planning Commission

Members Absent:

Duane	Breitling	Cass County Commission (Alternate Present)
Jenny	Mongeau	Clay Co. Commission
Michelle	Turnberg	Fargo City Commission
Mike	Reitz	MATBUS Representative
Sebastian	McDougall	Moorhead City Council
Stephanie	Landstrom	Horace City Council
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
Angela	Brumbaugh	Metro COG
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Aiden	Jung	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	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 March 19, 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 March 19, 2026 Policy Board Meeting.

Ms. Kolpack moved, seconded by Mr. Steichen

MOTION, passed
Motion carried unanimously.

1d. Past Meeting Minutes, approved

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

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

Mr. Strand moved, seconded by Mr. Kapitan

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

1e. Monthly Account Payables (Bills), approved

Chair Olson asked for approval of the March 19, 2026 Accounts Payable as listed on Attachment 1d.

MOTION: Approve the March 2026 Accounts Payable List.

Ms. Kolpack moved, seconded by Mr. Kapitan

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. February 2026 Month End Report
- b. Assistant Transportation Planner Offer of Employment
- c. Title VI and Non-Discrimination Plan Complaint Log

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

Mr. Strand moved, seconded by Mr. Steichen

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

3. REGULAR AGENDA

3a. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were provided or received.

3b. 2026-2029 TIP Amendment 3

Mr. Altenburg presented Amendment 3 regarding the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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

1. **New Project 3263067:** West Fargo construction of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB) and pedestrian refuge island on 32nd Avenue W west of 5th Street W.
2. **Modification of Project 1250016:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S. Adding additional TIFIA-TA and connecting with additional CRP funding.
3. **New Project 1263068:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S. Adding additional CRP funding and connecting original TA-funded project.
4. **Modification of Project 1250017:** Cass County reconstruction of shared use path along University Drive S. Connecting original TA-funded project with additional CRP funding.
5. **Modification of Project 5250002:** Moorhead mill and overlay of 34th Street N from 3rd Avenue to 28th Avenue N. Moving project from 2027 to 2028, modifying project description, and connecting project with additional HSIP funding.
6. **New Project 5263065:** Moorhead mill and overlay of 34th Street N from 3rd Avenue to 28th Avenue N and construction of roundabout at 8th Avenue N. Adding new HSIP project for construction of roundabout and connecting it to original STBG-funded project.
7. **New Project 8263066:** Dilworth construction of roundabout at intersection of 34th Street and 8th Avenue N. Adding new HSIP project for construction of roundabout and connecting it to original Moorhead STBG-funded mill and overlay project.
8. **Removal of Project 5250004:** Moorhead mill and overlay of 34th Street N from 3rd Avenue to 28th Avenue N. Removing originally planned AC project.

MOTION: Approve Amendment 3 to Metro COG's 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Piepkorn moved, seconded by Mr. Hendrickson

MOTION, passed

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Additional Business

Mr. Griffith provided the following updates to the Policy Board:

- 2026 UPWP Amendment and CPG Contract Amendments have both been approved and finalized.
- Nothing From FHWA on the SS4A BloodSync Grant Award.
- Metro COG's 2025 Year-end Close-out has been completed.

Mr. Hutchings stated he wanted to give a shout-out to Aiden Jung and Dan Farnsworth for their presentation at the 2026 NDDOT Transportation Conference in Bismarck earlier in the week.

5. Adjourn

The 653rd Meeting of the FM Metro COG Policy Board held Thursday, March 19, 2026 was adjourned by Chair Olson at 4:10 PM.

Mr. Kapitan moved, seconded by Mr. Hendrickson.

THE NEXT FM METRO COG POLICY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD April 16, 2026, 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager