

**575th Meeting of the
FM Metro COG Transportation Technical Committee
Thursday, March 12, 2026 – 10:00 AM
Metro COG Conference Room**

Members Present:

Paul	Bervik	West Fargo Engineering
Maegin	Elshaug	Fargo Planning (Alternate for N. Crutchfield)
Jeremy	Gorden	City of Fargo Engineering
Ben	Griffith	Metro COG
Cole	Hansen	Cass County Planning Director
Will	Hutchings	NDDOT – Local Government Division
Matthew	Jacobson	Clay County Planning
Kyle	Litchy	Cass County Highway
Nathaniel	McHaffie	Horace Planning (Alt. for J. Dahlman)
Aaron	Nelson	West Fargo Planning
Joey	Ness	GFMEDC (Alt. for Joe Raso)
Mary	Safgren	MnDOT – Dist. 4 Planning Director
Justin	Sorum	Clay County Engineering
Forrest	Steinhoff	Moorhead Planning (Alt. for R. Huston)
Brit	Stevens	NDSU – Transportation Manager
Tom	Trowbridge	Moorhead Engineering

Members Absent:

Julie	Bommelman	MATBUS
Nicole	Crutchfield	City of Fargo Planning
James	Dahlman	City of Horace - Planning/Engineering (Alt. present)
Luke	Grittner	MATBUS
Robin	Huston	City of Moorhead Planning (Alt. present)
Kelly	Krapu	Freight
Don	Lorsung	City of Dilworth Community Development
Joe	Raso	GFMEDC (Alt. present)

Others Present:

Adam	Altenburg	Metro COG
Karissa	Beierle Pavek	Metro COG
Angela	Brumbaugh	Metro COG
Dan	Farnsworth	Metro COG
Aiden	Jung	Metro COG
Michael	Maddox	Metro COG
Tom	Soucy	Cass County Highway
Brent	Muscha	Apex Engineering

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM, on March 12, 2026 by Chair Griffith. A quorum was present.

2. Approve the 575th TTC Meeting Agenda

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the March 12, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Approve the March 12, 2026 TTC Meeting Agenda.

Mr. Steinhoff moved, seconded by Mr. Nelson

MOTION, PASSED.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve February 12, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes

Chair Griffith asked if there were any questions or changes to the February 12, 2026 TTC Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Approve the February 12, 2026 TTC Minutes.

Mr. Litchy moved, seconded by Mr. Steinhoff

MOTION, PASSED

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comments were received or provided.

5. 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 0260067:** 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 1260068:** 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 5260065:** 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 8260066:** 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: Recommend Policy Board approval of Amendment 3 to Metro COG's 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
Mr. Gorden moved, seconded by Mr. Bervik
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.**

6. ND Federal Functional Classification Interim Update

Mr. Maddox stated the Federal Functional Classification (FFC) of roadways is required to be updated every 10 years to align with the census. Because Metro COG is in a growing region, once every decade is not frequent enough to update the FFC therefore staff is implementing a new process to update the FFC once every two to three years, depending on need.

Staff will be asking jurisdictions to submit changes they wish to make to FFC designations and evaluate the requests to be sure they conform to federal guidelines. Staff would like proposed changes to be submitted by April 10, 2026.

Information Only

7. Agency Updates

- a. City of Fargo Engineering – Deck repairs on I-94 bridge work on I-29, last portion on 32nd Avenue towards University Drive will be closed for about 60 days
- b. City of Fargo Planning –Work Continues on Land Development Code, check out “Code Connect” on website
- c. City of Moorhead Engineering – Almost done with plans for Blue Stem Bridge and Center Ave East

- d. City of Moorhead Planning – Nothing to report
- e. MATBUS – Absent
- f. City of West Fargo Engineering – Nothing to report
- g. City of West Fargo Planning – Continue to work on Growth Area Master Plan, just received rough draft and will schedule 3rd round of public engagement
- h. City of Dilworth – Absent
- i. City of Horace – Public hearing for Downtown Neighborhood Plan at Planning Commission on March 24th and scheduled for City Council on April 6th
- j. Cass County Highway – Done with most of the bids for roads and pricing was decent, seeing the lowest asphalt prices in the last 10 years, two other bridge projects will be going out to bid this summer
- k. Cass County Planning – Nothing to report
- l. Clay County Engineering – Nothing to report
- m. Clay County Planning – Nothing to report
- n. GFMEDC – Nothing to report
- o. NDSU – Nothing to report
- p. MnDOT Central Office – shout out to Metro COG staff members Aiden Jung and Dan Farnsworth for Bike-Ped presentation at the 2026 Transportation Conference in Bismarck earlier this week
- q. NDDOT Central Office – Nothing to report
- r. Federal Highway – Absent

8. Additional Business

There was no additional business brought forward.

9. Adjourn

The 575th Regular Meeting of the TTC was adjourned on March 12, 2026 at 10:36AM.

**Mr. Gordon moved to Adjourn; Mr. Steinhoff seconded
MOTION, PASSED
Motion carried unanimously.**

**THE NEXT FM METRO COG TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
MEETING WILL BE HELD April 9, 2026 AT 10:00 AM.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Brumbaugh
Office Manager