

Minutes

Technical Advisory Committee of the Sioux Falls Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

September 22, 2005

Members Present

Anderson, Scott
Cooper, Mike
Everson, Tony
Hofer, Dallas
Hoines, Mark
Keller, Lynne
Keller, Terry
Marnach, Mike
Micke, Don
Mulloy, Jon
Smith, Bill
Rick Laughlin (Smith, Craig)

Members Absent

Aslesen, Paul
Bonnema, Allen
Meister, Bob
Nardini, John
Parker, Jeff

Staff Present

Gaikowski, Debra
Hannestad, Jane
Henning, Disa
Trebilcock, Sam

Others Present

Senator Jason Gant
Steve Hey, School Bus Inc.
Kathy Lueth
Mike Milstead, Minnehaha Co. Sheriff

With a quorum present Vice-Chairman Jon Mulloy called the meeting of the TAC to order at 1:30 p.m.

1. **Public Input on Non-Agenda Items.** There was no public input on non-agenda items.
2. **Approval of the August 17, 2005 Minutes.** Lynne Keller noted one change in the minutes. She explained that the Long Range Transportation Plan was a 20-year plan instead of a 25-year plan. With no other corrections, Terry Keller made a motion to approve the minutes with the change and was seconded by Bill Smith. Motion passed unanimously.
2. **Public Hearing - Final Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).** Sam Trebilcock gave a brief explanation on the changes that were incorporated into the LRTP for the Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Organization since the last meeting. The changes came about from comments from committee members, SDDOT, Federal Highway and from the general public. Also, there were a few clarifications that came out of the CAC meeting. This is the final public hearing for the LRTP. Comments and suggestions from this meeting will be taken into consideration and incorporated into the final LRTP. There were several questions and comments from attendees of the public hearing. Kathy Leuth expressed a concern about traffic flow in and around the City. Trebilcock referred to the Major Street Plan and outlined how it specifically addresses that issue. He also talked about the general concepts behind the proposed east and west corridors and how they will aid in traffic flow. There were questions about arterials with frontage roads or buffer zones to address traffic flow. Trebilcock explained the logistical problems of these on minor arterials, but noted the possibility of incorporating them on regional arterials. It is something the City is continually working on. Future arterials will be limited on access points. Jason Gant, a Senator from District 11 and homeowner in the southwest part of Sioux Falls, had some concerns about traffic movement from the south and west parts of Sioux Falls into the City and onto the interstate. He suggested an interchange onto I-29 somewhere between 41st Street and Tea. Trebilcock informed him of the current I-29/I-229 interchange study being conducted. Senator Gant preferred a more immediate response to his concerns. Discussion continued in regard to access to I-29 at 57th St. or 49th St. Mark Hoines explained the limiting factors of the federal requirements for access points. Kathy Leuth expressed concern that roads were being constructed without consideration of future conditions. Sam assured her that several factors go into building roads, but that planners are considering the future growth of the City. However, due to environmental and monetary constraints it is not always possible to build roads to accommodate for future growth. Disturbance of residential neighborhoods along east-west arterials is also a limiting factor. Mike Marnach made a motion to recommend approval of the Long Range Transportation Plan with recommended changes and was seconded by Mike Cooper. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Ride Share Program.** Mike Milstead, Minnehaha County Sheriff, explained to the committee that he had approached SECOG with a request to see if there would be any interest in creating a Ride Share program in the region due to the increasing cost in gas prices. An organizational meeting was held with several of the larger

employers in the City. The program is in the preliminary stages, and if it moves forward, additional information will be presented to the committees at a later date.

Mike Marnach and Bill Smith both departed the meeting this time, but a quorum was still present.

5. **UPWP Amendment.** Debra Gaikowski presented a UPWP amendment requesting a transfer of \$4,000 from Minnehaha County Highway's FHWA Personal Services budget to Minnehaha County Planning's FHWA Personnel Services budget. Scott Anderson made a motion to recommend approval of the transfer and was seconded by Lynne Keller. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Land Use Report.** Sam Trebilcock went over some of the information contained in the Land Use Report and answered questions from some of the committee members. This was informational only.
7. **Adjourn.** Dallas Hofer made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Terry Keller. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.