

**GRAND ISLAND AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (GIAMPO)  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) MINUTES**

April 9, 2018 at 10:00 am

Grand Island City Hall – Community Meeting Room

100 E 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Grand Island, NE 68801

**Voting Members in Attendance:**

Keith Kurz, City of Grand Island, Assistant Public Works Director	Present
John Collins, City of Grand Island, Public Works Director	Present
Marlan Ferguson, City of Grand Island, City Administrator	Present
Chad Nabity, Hall County Regional Planning Director	Present
Steve Riehle, Hall County Public Works Director	Present
Mike Meyer, Merrick County Hwy Superintendent	Present
Wes Wahlgren, NDOT District 4 Engineer	Present
Paul Gavin, NDOT Highway Planning Manager	Present
Ramona Schafer, Village of Alda	Absent
Mike Olson, Central Nebraska Regional Airport	Present
Charley Falmlen, City of Grand Island Transit Program Manager	Present

**Non-Voting Members in Attendance:**

Bentley Tomlin, Burling Northern Santa Fe Railroad	Absent
Allan Zafft, City of Grand Island MPO Program Manager	Present
Shannon Callahan, City of Grand Island Street Superintendent	Absent
VACANT, City of Grand Island Finance Director	Absent
William Clingman, City of Grand Island Asst. Finance Director	Absent
Catrina DeLosh, City of Grand Island Public Works Admin Assistant	Present
Tim Golka, City of Grand Island Project Manager	Present
Jerry Janulewicz, City of Grand Island City Attorney	Present
VACANT, City of Grand Island Assistant to the City Administrator	Absent
Erich Hines, FHWA, Transportation Planner, Realty Civil Rights	Absent
Justin Luther, FHWA, Transportation Planner, Realty, Civil Rights	Absent
VACANT, FTA Community Planner	Absent
Logan Daniels, FTA Transportation Program Specialist	Absent
Daniel Nguyen, FTA Community Planner	Absent
Cindy Johnson, Grand Island Area Chamber of Commerce	Present
Mary Berlie, Grand Island Area Economic Development Corporation	Absent
VACANT, NDOT Local Projects Engineer	Absent
Kaine McClelland, NDOT State Modeler	Absent
Mark Fischer, NDOT Assistant Planning Engineer	Present
Jeff Soula, NDOT Local Projects Urban Engineer	Absent
Kyle Nodgaard, Union Pacific Railroad	Absent
Kelli O'Brien, Union Pacific Railroad	Absent

**Others in Attendance:**

Rashad Moxey, City of Grand Island Planning Technician

## **Call to Order**

Nabity called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

## **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken.

## **Approval of Minutes from the February 12, 2018 Technical Advisory Committee**

Motion by Olson to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2018 meeting, seconded by Wahlgren. Riehle questioned the proper name of the City's Transit Program Manager; Charlene Falmlen or Charley Falmlen. Falmlen confirmed Charley Falmlen is the appropriate name to be used for all purposes. Upon voice vote, all voted aye; with the correction of Charlene Falmlen to Charley Falmlen. Motion adopted.

## **Approval Recommendation of Final Draft FY 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Zafft provided a copy of the Draft FY 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for review and noted this is updated every year with a thirty (30) day public comment period. Public outreach consists of publication in the Grand Island Independent, posting on the City of Grand Island Public Works Facebook, Twitter, and website, and by providing paper copies at Grand Island City Hall. Projects of note in the TIP are US Highway 30 West Realignment, US Highway 30 Bridges, US Highway 2 Resurfacing Cairo-Grand Island, and 5 Points Intersection Improvements; as well as Transit projects of Urban Transit Operating Assistance, Rural Transit Operating Assistance, and Transit Facility.

Motion by Wahlgren to approve the Final Draft FY 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), seconded by Collins. Upon voice vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

## **Approval Recommendation of MPO Self-Certification**

Zafft informed TAC that GIAMPO must comply with federal requirements regarding the metropolitan planning process to continue receiving federal transportation funds. The MPO Self-Certification confirms that the planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements set forth in 23 CFR 450.336. There is no separate public comment period for this item, as it is included in the Draft FY 2019-2023 TIP notice.

Motion by Riehle to approve MPO Self-Certification, seconded by Ferguson. Upon voice vote, all vote aye. Motion adopted.

## **Approval Recommendation Final Draft Long Range Transportation Plan Amendment No. 4**

Zafft updated TAC on adjusted total estimates for three (3) NDOT projects, which consist of US Highway 30 Bridges (increased from \$2.924M to \$4.648M), US Highway 2 Resurfacing Cairo-Grand Island (increased from \$3.754M to \$9.215M) and US Highway 30 West Realignment (increased from \$29.681M to \$30.693M). In particular, the increase in the federal-aid amount of the total estimate for the Hwy 2 resurfacing project triggered an amendment to the Long Range Transportation Plan. In addition to accounting for project cost increases Amendment No. 4 also addresses modifications in Chapter 7 – Financial Plan, Chapter 9 – Recommended Plan, and a new section in Chapter 3 (Section 3.4) relating to performance management. There will be a thirty (30) day public comment period for Amendment No. 4.

Motion by Collins to approve the Final Draft Long Range Transportation Plan Amendment No. 4, with Olson seconding. Upon voice vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

## **Approval Recommendation of Final Draft FY 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**

Zafft presented the Draft FY 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which identifies planning priorities and activities to be carried out within GIAMPO's metropolitan planning area. There will be a fifteen (15) day public comment period.

Motion by Riehle to approve Final Draft FY 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), seconded by Olson. Upon voice vote, all vote aye. Motion adopted.

## **Bike/Ped Plan Update**

Nabity informed TAC that City staff has reviewed and commented on the initial Bike/Ped Plan, with a revised plan expected from the consultant by mid-April 2018. A public open house is planned for late May 2018 at the City Library.

## **Next Meeting Date**

The next Meeting of the TAC will be on June 11, 2018 at 10:00 am.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Nabity adjourned the meeting at 10:44 am.