GRAND ISLAND AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (GIAMPO)

MINUTES OF POLICY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 4:00 pm Grand Island City Hall – Community Meeting Room 100 E 1st Street, Grand Island, NE 68801

VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE:

Jeremy Jensen, Mayor, City of Grand Island	Present
Linna Dee Donaldson, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Absent
Julie Hehnke, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Absent
Mike Paulick, City of Grand Island, Council Member	Present
Wes Wahlgren (Kyle Schneweis designee) NDOT District 4 Engineer	Present
Gary Quandt, Hall County Board	Present
Doug Lanfear, Hall County Board	Absent
Pat O'Neill, Hall County Planning Commission Chairman	Present

NON-VOTING MEMBERS ATTENDANCE:

Marlan Ferguson, City of Grand Island City Administrator	Present
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Keith Kurz, City of Grand Island Assistant Public Works Director	Absent
Allan Zafft, City of Grand Island MPO Program Manager	Present
Catrina DeLosh, City of Grand Island Public Works Admin Assistant	Absent
Patrick Brown, City of Grand Island Finance Director	Present
William Clingman, City of Grand Island Asst. Finance Director	Absent
Jerry Janulewicz, City of Grand Island Attorney	Absent
John Collins, City of Grand Island Public Works Director	Absent
Tim Golka, City of Grand Island Project Manager	Absent
Chad Nabity, Regional Planning Director	Present
Joseph Werning, Administrator, FHWA NE Division	Absent
Mokhtee Ahmad, Administrator, FTA Region VII	Absent
Wes Wahlgren, NDOT District 4 Engineer	Present
Justin Luther, Transportation Planner, Realty, Civil Rights FHWA	Absent
Logan Daniels, FTA Transportation Program Specialist	Absent
Mark Bechtel, FTA Community Planner	Absent
Daniel Nguyen, FTA Community Planner	Absent
Mark Fischer, NDOT Assistant Planning Engineer	Absent

Others in Attendance:

Amy Haase, RDG Planning & Design

Call to Order

Mayor Jensen called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was acknowledged.

Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Mayor Jensen acknowledged the fact that Wes Wahlgren, NDOT District 4 Engineer, was the designee for Kyle Schneweis, Director of the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT).

Approval of Minutes from the May 22, 2018 Policy Board Meeting

Motion by Quandt to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2018 meeting, seconded by Wahlgren. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion adopted.

MPO Financial Update

Zafft provided an update for State Fiscal Year 2018 - Fourth Quarter (April 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018).

Long Range Transportation Plan Revisions Update

Zafft updated the Policy Board about the revisions relating to highway funding projections and fiscally constrained highway projects. At the May 21, 2018 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting, the committee was informed about the updated highway financial projections and expenditure projections. In summary, the anticipated expenditures exceed the anticipated revenue. Therefore, several projects need to be removed from the Fiscally Constrained Highway Project Listing to balance the LRTP. At the July 9 TAC meeting, the committee completed an exercise to prioritize the fiscally constrained highway projects. The TAC approved a recommendation at its August 13 meeting to keep the Old Potash Highway widening from Claude Road to Webb Road and North Road widening from Highway 2 to Capital Avenue along with the TIP projects on the Fiscally Constrained Highway Project Listing. The remaining fiscally constrained highway projects will be moved to the Illustrative Project Listing. The next step is preparing LRTP Amendment No. 5 to reflect the revisions to the funding projections and projects. The schedule is take this amendment to the October TAC meeting for approval, 30-day public comment period, and November Policy Board meeting for approval.

It was asked about the status of Broadwell over UPRR and Broadwell from Anna Street to Adams Street. Zafft noted these projects will be moved to the Illustrative Project Listing.

Approval of MPO Targets for NHS Pavement and Bridge Condition Performance Measures

Zafft informed the Policy Board of the requirement to establish performance targets for NHS Pavement and Bridge Condition within 180 days of the State establishing such. The State submitted its targets to the Federal Highway Administration on May 21, 2018, with 180 days allowed from the establishment of state targets for the MPO to establish theirs, putting the deadline for GIAMPO at November 17, 2018. GIAMPO staff recommends supporting the NDOT NHS Pavement and Bridge Condition performance targets as the most prudent alternative. The TAC approved this recommendation on August 13, 2018.

Motion by Paulick to adopt the Nebraska Department of Transportation NHS Pavement and Bridge Condition Performance Targets, seconded by O'Neill. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion adopted.

Approval of MPO Targets for NHS Travel Time Reliability and Freight Reliability Performance Measures

Zafft informed the Policy Board of the requirement to establish performance targets for NHS Travel Time Reliability and Freight Reliability within 180 days of the State establishing such. The State submitted its targets to the Federal Highway Administration on May 21, 2018, with 180 days allowed from the establishment of state targets for the MPO to establish theirs, putting the deadline for GIAMPO at November 17, 2018. GIAMPO staff recommends supporting the NDOT NHS Travel Time Reliability and Freight Reliability performance targets as the most prudent alternative. The TAC approved this recommendation on July 9, 2018.

Motion by Quandt to adopt the Nebraska Department of Transportation NHS Travel Time Reliability and Freight Reliability Performance Targets, seconded by O'Neill. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion adopted.

Approval Recommendation of Final Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

Zafft indicated the Long Range Transportation Plan made a recommendation for a pedestrian and bicycle study to be conducted for the Grand Island region. He also noted a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan would better position the City of Grand Island in getting federal grants for projects such as trail extensions. RDG Planning and Design was retained by the City to develop a Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan for the Grand Island region.

The Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan had an 18-day public comment period from May 24 to June 11, 2018, which included a public meeting on May 29, 2018.

Amy Haase of RDG Planning & Design gave a presentation of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, which covered items such as public involvement efforts, guiding principles, bicycle and pedestrian network, barrier locations, and phasing of projects. Mayor Jensen asked what is next after the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. Zafft noted the Nebraska Department of Transportation will have a call for TAP grant applications (federal funds) later this year. The City of Grand Island will submit an application for a trail project.

Motion by Wahlgren to approve Recommendation of Final Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, seconded by Paulick. Upon roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion adopted.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Policy Board will be on November 27, 2018 at 4:00 pm at City Hall.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mayor Jensen adjourned the meeting at 4:58 pm.