



Policy Committee

Date: Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Time: 3:00pm

Location: DeKalb County Highway Department, 1826 Barber Greene Road, DeKalb, IL 60115

Attendance:

Voting Members

City of DeKalb: Mike Neuenkirchen
City of DeKalb: Bryan Faivre
City of DeKalb: Not present
City of Sycamore: Michael Hall
City of Sycamore: Mark Bushnell
Town of Cortland: Brandy Williams (S)
DeKalb County: Derek Hiland
NIU: Jennifer Groce (VC)
IDOT District 3: Not present

Non-Voting Attendance

IDOT OP&P: Doug DeLille
FHWA:
DSATS Staff: Brad Hunold

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: Vice-Chair Groce called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of Agenda (Action)

Motion to approve the May 11, 2022 meeting agenda made by Mr. Neuenkirchen; seconded by Ms. Williams; Motion approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action)

Motion to approve the April 13, 2022 meeting minutes made by Mr. Faivre; seconded by Mr. Bushnell; Motion approved unanimously.

4. Public Comments

No public comments.

5. New Business

a. SFY 2023-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Action)

Mr. Hunold presented the SFY 2023-2027 TIP. The document is the same as the draft presented last month with the exception of the cost of Lucinda Road project from the City of DeKalb. The TIP completed a 28-day public comment period with no comments received. IDOT stated the Multi-Year Program has not been approved yet. When it is approved, IDOT will likely have some updates. The TOC & TAC recommended approval. Motion to approve the SFY 2023-2027 TIP made by Mr. Bushnell; seconded by Ms. Williams; Motion approved unanimously.

b. Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process Self-Certification (Action)

Vice-Chair Groce explained this is not a new document and is approved every year. Mr. DeLille explained this document certifies that the MPO follows all federal requirements in their processes. Motion to approve the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process Self-Certification made by Mr. Faivre; seconded by Mr. Bushnell; Motion approved unanimously.

6. Other Business

a. Staff and Project Updates

Mr. Hunold reported TIP Modification #12 has been processed as an administrative action. This change affects the City of DeKalb's North First Street and Lucinda Avenue bridge project. The project has been moved to Advanced Construction. Advance Construction (AC) is an innovative financing tool in which FHWA allows states to accelerate transportation project using non-federal funds while maintaining eligibility to be reimbursed with federal funds at a later date. Basically, it allows a project to continue moving forward prior to the project funding actually being available. The North First Street resurfacing project came in just under the estimate of cost at the recent letting in Springfield. This is a joint project between the City of DeKalb and DeKalb County.

Mr. Schwartz represented DSATS at an APWA conference last week and at a county engineers' conference this week. Nathan presented on the DSATS360 project which is the Google Street View update. It was well received.

b. What's New with our State and Federal Partners

Mr. Bushnell reported the State is expected to start on the Illinois Route 64 resurfacing project on the west side of Sycamore. Illinois Route 64 on the east side of Sycamore is postponed until a later year.

c. Additional Business

No additional business.

7. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Bushnell; seconded by Ms. Williams; meeting adjourned at 3:10pm.

Note: These minutes are not official until approved by the Policy Committee at a subsequent meeting.