



Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)

Tuesday, December 10th, 2019 1:30 pm

Proctor City Hall/Community Room

Proctor, MN

Meeting Summary

Note Taker(s)	Barb Peterson	
Members Present		
	Chris Belden	Duluth Transit Authority
	David Bolf	City of Hermantown
	Chris Carlson	City of Superior-Public Works
	Mark Casey	City of Proctor
	Kate Ferguson	Duluth Seaway Port Authority
	Jim Foldesi	St. Louis County Engineering
	Jason Jackman	Douglas County
	Todd Janigo	City of Superior – Public Works
	Chris Lee	City of Duluth Planning
	Kris Liljeblad	City of Duluth Planning
Committee Chair	John McDonald	MnDOT District 1
	Shawna Mullen	Active Transportation/Zeitgeist Arts
	Cari Pedersen	City of Duluth
<i>alternate</i>	Phil Pumphrey	Duluth Transit Authority
Committee Vice-Chair	Dena Ryan	WisDOT NW Region
	Karl Schuettler	Northspan Group
<i>alternate</i>	Maren Webb	MnDOT Dist 1
	Cindy Voigt	City of Duluth Engineering
	Tom Werner	Duluth Airport Authority
Members Absent		* Excused Absence
	Bryan Anderson	MnDOT District 1
<i>alternate</i>	Jana Kayser	Duluth Airport Authority
<i>alternate</i>	Phil Pumphrey	Duluth Transit Authority
<i>alternate</i>	Jason Serck	City of Superior
	vacant	Mobility Challenged Community
Others Present		
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	James Gittemeier	MIC Principal Planner
	Barb Peterson	MIC Admin Asst
	Scott Poska	Alliant Engineering/Guest Speaker
	Rondi Watson	MIC Communications Coordinator



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1. Introductions/Agenda Review

Chair John McDonald called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm. All meeting attendees introduced themselves.

2. Committee Business

- Meeting Summary of 10.15.19 (for Approval)

Motion Discussion and Vote	Mark Casey/David Bolf moved to approve the 10.19.19 meeting summary with the noted change. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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- **Director's Report**

Ron reviewed the items in the meeting packet and then added that the MIC had been honored with a 2019 Transportation Achievement Award for our role in the Bayfront Modeling Project. This award came from the North Central Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

3. Guest Speaker – Scott Poska – Sr Traffic Engineer – Alliant Engineering

- Duluth First Street Study/Operational feasibility of the change from 1-way to 2-way

Scott opened his presentation discussing what the project was, an outline of the items to be covered, a timeline and the benefits of making 1st street consistently a 2 way street. He continued giving examples from surrounding states that have made this change and are working just fine. He provided in site into the following:

- traffic operations & intersection control
- traffic forecasts
- parking impacts
- business and truck access
- pedestrian and transit impacts

Scott then described the proposed concept which includes:

- Two travel lanes
- On street parking/loading spaces will continue on both sides of street
- Changes to traffic control devices at some intersections

This project would run from Mesaba Ave to 24th Ave E.

Scott concluded by covering the "Traffic Control Change Benefits".

4. 2020 MnDOT HSIP Performance Measures



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James Gittemeier discussed that these measures are similar to the ones passed last month for WI. The same discussions arose pertaining to the “Zero Death” programs vs the Performance Measures; and why we don’t calculate our own area. Responding that the “Zero Death” programs are goals and the Performance Measures are just that – they give a picture of the current statistics and are required by FHWA. Calculating our own would be extremely costly and require a huge number of man hours.

With no more discussion or questions James asked for a motion to approve the 2020 MnDOT Safety Performance Measures.

Motion Discussion and Vote	David Bolf/Jim Foldesi moved to approve the 2020 MnDOT Safety Performance Measures. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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5. 2020-2023 Duluth Area TIP Amendments #1 - 6

James Gittemeier gave a brief overview of the details for these amendments provided in the meeting packet.

With no questions or discussion James asked for the approval.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Kris Liljeblad/Cari Pedersen moved to approve the 2020-2023 Duluth Area TIP Amendments #1 - 6. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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6. MIC Area Pedestrian Plan

James began by describing the role of the MPO taking on this project including reviewing the plans that are available from the past and the current practices available now to build a framework. He concluded by reviewing the proposed schedule.

7. Bike & Ped Planning Update

James discussed the outcome of the recent Bike Facilities Tour in Minneapolis and what they came away with.

The BPAC discussed the upcoming E 2nd St construction project coming up in May 2020. They reviewed the issues, the parking utilization and occupancy at various times of the day.

The group also discussed the Bikeways Plan priorities.

8. 2024 Duluth Area TIP Project Solicitation



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James briefly discussed what the TIP is and why it is important. He reminded everyone of the final date (1/3/20) that submission for projects for 2024.

9. Round Table

Strong Towns presentation at 6:30 pm tomorrow at Zeitgeist.

10. Project Updates (see meeting materials for details)

- **Proctor Transportation Plan**
- **Superior Active Transportation Plan**

11. Adjourn: With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair McDonald adjourned the meeting at 3:10 pm.