



TAC Agenda Topics and Project Updates

December 7th, 2021 Meeting

Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

.Note Taker(s)	Barb Peterson	
Members Present		
<i>alternate</i>	Bryan Anderson	MnDOT Dist 1
	Chris Carlson	City of Superior – Public Works
Committee Chair	Kate Ferguson	Duluth Seaway Port Authority
	Jim Foldesi	St Louis Cnty
	Krysten Saatela Foster	MnDOT Dist 1
	Jason Jackman	Douglas County
	Todd Janigo	City of Superior – Public Works
	Chris Lee	City of Duluth
<i>alternate</i>	John Mulder	City of Hermantown
<i>alternate</i>	Diane Paoni	WisDOT
	Cari Pedersen	City of Duluth
	Karl Schuettler	Northspan Group
	Cindy Voigt	City of Duluth Engineering
Members Absent		* Excused Absence
	David Bolf	City of Hermantown
Committee Vice-Chair	Chris Belden*	Duluth Transit Authority
	Dena Ryan*	WisDOT NW Region
	Jess Rich	City of Proctor
On leave until Jan	Maren Webb*	MnDOT Dist 1
	Tom Werner*	Duluth Airport Authority
	vacant	Mobility Challenged Community
	vacant	Active Transportation/Zeitgeist Arts
Others Present		
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	Andrea Crouse	Zietgiest
	James Gittemeier	MIC Principal Planner
	Duane Hill	MnDOT Dist 1
	Barb Peterson	MIC Admin Asst
	Bobbi Retzlaff	FHWA
	Ricky Sarran	MIC-GIS Specialist
	Rondi Watson	MIC Communications Coordinator



1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Kate Ferguson called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm. A roll call of attendees was done with attendees confirming their presence and the entity they represent.

2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Meeting Summary 10.19.21

Motion Discussion and Vote	Cari Pedersen/Jim Foldesi moved to approve the 10.19.21 meeting summary. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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- Director's Report

Ron Chicka briefly highlighted the items in the meeting packet.

- Our Travel Demand Model is being used to assist in forecasting traffic scenarios on 5th Ave W
- Looking to facilitate a meeting to discuss the hazardous material freight moving through on Superior St/London Rd.
- New Federal Bill covering infrastructure and jobs. Ron shared what some of the highlights which effect the MPO.

3. 2021 UPDATE OF THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, TITLE VI & LANGUAGE ACCESS PLANS

Rondi Watson briefly reviewed what the plans cover. A discussion concerning the definition of what is a TIP amendment and what was a modification. In order to satisfy WisDOT and MnDOT the language will be left out of the plans but a link will be inserted to direct people to where it can be found in the TIP document.

A process meeting will be scheduled sometime in January with MnDOT, WisDOT and FHWA to discuss the definitions.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Krysten Foster/Jim Foldesi. moved to recommend approval to the Policy Board with the deleted language concerning TIP amendments and modifications. There was no further discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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4. 2022-20235 DULUTH AREA TIP AMENDMENT #1

James Gittemeier described this new 2022 project to replace signs at various locfations from Duluth to I Falls along Hwy 53.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Cindy Voigt/Cari Pedersen moved to recommend approval to the Policy Board. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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5. 2026 DULUTH AREA TIP APPLICATIONS

James Gittemeier and Ricky Sarran stated that applications will be sent out/available December 15th and will be due sometime the end of January.

6. CENTRAL ENTRANCE VISION PLAN UPDATE

The draft of this plan can be found here: www.dsmic.org/centralentrance

We will be looking to approve this plan in January.

7. ROUND TABLE

James announced that he is leaving us for the City of Duluth. His last day will be December 15th. Everyone wished him good luck in his new job.

8. PROJECT UPDATES (see the meeting packet for project details)

- *2022-2025 Duluth Area TIP Modifications #1-3*
- *BPAC Update*

9. **ADJOURN:** With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair Kate Ferguson adjourned the meeting at 2:49 pm.