

# CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE

## METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION



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### **Minutes of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization**

Held as a virtual meeting over Zoom Wednesday, April 13, 2022 1:30 p.m.

Members present: Fred Anderson – Chippewa County, Dave Walter – City of Altoona, Brad Hentschel – City of Chippewa Falls, Rick Rubenzer – City of Chippewa Falls, Trevor Wittwer – City of Eau Claire, Jon Johnson – Eau Claire County, Tom Wagener – Eau Claire Transit, Karl Buck – Federal Highway Administration, Evan Gross – Federal Transit Administration, Diane Paoni – Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), Derek Schaad – Village of Lake Hallie, Jennifer Meyer – Town of Union, Rick Bowe – Town of Eagle Point

Staff present: Eric Anderson – Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Edwin Rothrock - Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO, Michael Mills – Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO, Hailee Bushman – West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission Safe Routes to School Coordinator

#### **Minutes**

1. Mr. E. Anderson called the meeting to order a 1:32 pm
2. Welcome and introductions
3. The minutes of January 12, 2022 TAC meeting were approved by all following a motion by Mr. Rubenzer, seconded by Mr. Walter.
4. Mr. E. Anderson presented Amendment # 3 (Projects) to the Transportation Improvement Program for the Eau Claire Urbanized Area, 2022-2026 which includes seven projects updated or added by WisDOT and the addition of the County Trunk Highway T project expenses. The amendment was approved by all for recommendation to the MPO Policy Council following a motion by Mr. Wagener, seconded by Mr. F. Anderson.
5. Mr. E. Anderson presented highlights from the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO 2021 Summary Report.
6. Mr. E. Anderson presented updates on various projects being worked on by MPO staff.
7. Other Business
  - Mr. E. Anderson discussed the possible need for a special TAC meeting on April 27, 2022, to review recommendations for funding for three projects submitted for Phase 1 of WisDot grants under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill. The amount of funding available from WisDOT will be announced shortly, after which ranking of the applications and staff recommendations for grant awards can be produced. The special meeting is required to allow those recommendation to be approved the TAC and then included on the MPO Policy Council agenda for the meeting scheduled for May 4.
  - Mr. E. Anderson presented recently received guidance on the current round of the Transportation Alternatives Program grants regarding timing and resubmissions.
8. Establish next meetings dates
  - Special Meeting April 27, 2022
  - Regular TAC meeting tentatively set for August 10, 2022
9. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Rubenzer, seconded by Mr. Walter, and approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 2:07 pm.