

Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO
Policy Council

February 04, 2026

Meeting Packet

CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION



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MEETING NOTICE

Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Council

Wednesday, February 04, 2026
5:30 p.m.

Meeting Location:
Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO
Banbury Place, 800 Wisconsin St.
Building 2 – Room 405H
Eau Claire, WI

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Welcome and introductions
3. Public Hearing for Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO Long Range Transportation Plan 2025-2055
4. Approval of minutes of October 08, 2025 Policy Council meeting
5. Review of minutes of January 14, 2026 TAC meeting
6. Review and action of 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #11 (Projects)
7. Review and action of 2024-2028 TIP Amendment #12 (PM1 Safety Performance Measure Targets)
8. Review and action of 2026-2031 STBG-Urban Funding
9. Review and action of Long Range Transportation Plan 2055
10. Other Business
11. Establish next meeting date (tentatively May 06, 2026)
12. Adjournment



**Minutes of the
Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Council
Wednesday, October 8th, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
Held at: Room 405H, Building 2, Banbury Place, 800 Wisconsin Street, Eau Claire, WI**

Members Present (4): Gary Spilde – Village of Lake Hallie (Chair), Connie Russell – Eau Claire County (Vice-chair), Matt Biren – City of Altoona, Jennifer Meyer – Town of Union

Non-Voting attendees: Dierdre Jenkins – Eau Claire County

Staff Present: Eric Anderson, Edwin Rothrock, Hailee Bushman - Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO,
Minutes

1. Chairman Spilde called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Review and Approval of the minutes of the August 27th, 2025, MPO Policy Council Meeting. Mr. Biren moved to approve; Ms. Russell seconded the motion. The motion to approve passed unanimously.
4. The minutes of the September 17th, 2025, MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting were reviewed.
5. Mr. Anderson presented the changes to the Functional Classifications – Resolution 25-05. These changes are recommended to the MPA by WisDOT. This set of changes results in 7.33 miles of roads being reclassified, mostly to lower service levels. Ms. Meyer moved to approve; Mr. Biren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Mr. Anderson presented on the 2026 Urban Work Program – Resolution 2025-06. The TAC recommended it for approval. Mr. Biren moved to approve; Ms. Russel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Mr. Anderson presented the MPO Self Certification – Resolution 25-07. Mr. Biren made a motion to approve; Ms. Meyer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
8. Mr. Anderson presented Amendment #10 (Projects) to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan for the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO. Ms. Russell made a motion to approve, Ms. Meyer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Mr. Anderson presented the public comments, charts, and congestion modeling outcomes for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update. He also discussed upcoming steps in the process of the developing of the LRTP including being available for review and comment. Mr. Anderson mentioned that he asked WisDOT to model different future scenarios within the MPA boundary that reduced speeds along Clairemont Ave and STH 93 and expanded part of USH 53 to six lanes. Results showed that congestion did not increase in any scenario, including along Clairemont and STH 93.
10. Other Business – Mr. Edwin Rothrock announced his retirement from the WCWRPC at the end of the year.
11. The next meeting date was tentatively set for February 4th, 2026.
12. Adjournment – Ms. Meyer moved to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Russell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Russell adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

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Minutes of the Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting held virtually on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

Members present: Fred Anderson – Chippewa County Highway Dept., Taylor Greenwell - City of Altoona Planning, Chris Huppert – City of Altoona Engineering, Brandon Cesafsky - City of Chippewa Falls Public Works, Brad Hentschel - City of Chippewa Falls Planning, Leah Ness – City of Eau Claire Engineering, Al Rinka – City of Eau Claire Engineering, Travis Pickering – Eau Claire County Highway Dept., Katrina Running – City of Eau Claire Transit, Mae Sommerfeld – WisDOT Northwest Region, Chris Elstran – Chippewa County Highway Depart., Eugene Gutsch – Town of Wheaton.

Staff present: Eric Anderson, and Hailee Bushman - Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Scott Allen – West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Minutes

1. Mr. Eric Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.
2. Introductions were made.
3. The minutes of September 17th, 2025, MPO TAC meeting were approved by all present following a motion by Mr. Hentschel, seconded by Mr. Cesafsky.
4. Mr. Eric Anderson presented Amendment #11 (Projects) to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan for the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO. A motion to recommend that the MPO Policy Council adopt this amendment was made by Ms. Running, seconded by Mr. Rinka, and all members present voted “Aye.”
5. Mr. Eric Anderson presented Amendment #12 (PM1 Safety Performance Measure Targets) to the 2024-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan for the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO. A motion to recommend the MPO Policy Council adopt this amendment was made by Ms. Henning, seconded by Mr. Fred Anderson, and all members present voted “Aye.”
6. Mr. Eric Anderson presented the 2026-2028 STBG-Urban Funding scoring. Mr. Eric Anderson reviewed three funding options that staff prepared as options for the TAC to review. There was discussion regarding the three submitted projects and possible funding scenarios. After discussion, the TAC recommended that both Spooner Ave. and CTH T receive the maximum 80 percent funding and CTH S not be funded. If the MPO would lose the remaining \$1.5 million, then staff would need to update the Policy Council regarding the TAC vote. A motion was made by Mr. Hentschel to recommend that be adopted by the MPO Policy Council, seconded by Mr. Rinka, and all members present voted “Aye.”
7. Ms. Sommerfeld presented on the TIP Amendment project submissions. There was no discussion.
8. Mr. Eric Anderson presented a draft of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) project. Additionally, Mr. Eric Anderson presented on a summary poster of the draft LRTP that focused on crash data and the importance of reducing crashes in each MPA member’s respective boundary. A motion to recommend that the MPO Policy Council adopt the LRTP draft was made by Mr. Rinka and seconded by Ms. Running. All members present voted “Aye.”
9. Other Business: There was no discussion under Other Business.
10. Established the next meeting date tentatively as April 15th, 2026.
11. At 2:33 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Hentschel, and seconded by Mr. Cesafsky, and passed by all.

Includes the Cities of Altoona, Chippewa Falls, and Eau Claire, the Village of Lake Hallie, and the Towns of Anson, Brunswick, Eagle Point, Hallie, Lafayette, Pleasant Valley, Seymour, Tilden, Union, Washington, and Wheaton

**Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO
Resolution No. 26-01**

AMENDMENT NUMBER 11 TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) FOR THE CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE URBANIZED AREA (2024-2028), ADOPTION OF NEW AND AMENDED PROJECTS TO THE TIP.

WHEREAS, the Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was designated by the Governor of the State of Wisconsin for the purpose of carrying out cooperative, comprehensive, and continuing urban transportation planning in the Eau Claire urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, all transportation projects in the Eau Claire urbanized area which are implemented with federal funds must be included in the annual elements of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and approved by the MPO is a prerequisite for funding approval; and

WHEREAS, the 2024-2028 TIP was approved by the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO in October 2023; and

WHEREAS, this amendment includes the addition or modification of projects to the 2024-2028 TIP, as attached; and

WHEREAS, the MPO has adopted and followed procedures for amendments to make such changes to the program; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE MPO:

That the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO approves the amendment to the 2024-2028 TIP and that the newly added and modified projects are formally adopted, as attached.

Adopted this 4th day of February 2026

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gary Spilde, Chair
Chippewa-Eau Claire
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Eric Anderson, Secretary
Chippewa-Eau Claire
Metropolitan Planning Organization

2024-2028 TIP - Amendment Project Listing

(in 2026 \$; in thousands of \$)

Primary Jurisdiction/ Project Sponsor	Project Description	Type of Cost	Jan - Dec 2024				Jan - Dec 2025				Jan - Dec 2026				Jan - Dec 2027				Jan - Dec 2028				Jan - Dec 2029				Jan - Dec 2030							
			Fed	State	Local	Total																												
Transit - Capital																																		
Eau Claire Transit TIP # 370-24-013	Capital Assistance Replacement Buses 5307 or 5339 Funds	CAP TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,596	0	399	1,995	1,676	0	419	2,095	1,760	0	440	0	1,848	0	462	0	1,940	0	485	2,425	1,940	0	485	2,425
Eau Claire Transit TIP # 370-23-011	Capital Assistance Bus Surveillance Equipment North Transfer Hub UWEC Transit Hub Replacement Buses Shop Equipment Computer Replacement 5307 or 5339 Funds	CAP TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	160	0	40	200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eau Claire Transit TIP # 370-20-003	Capital Assistance Bus Stop Improvements 5307 or 5339 Funds	CAP TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	20	16	0	4	20	16	0	4	20
Eau Claire Transit TIP# 370-26-005	Capital Assistance Custodial Equipment (Transfer Center) Bus Hoist Public Safety Training Facility 5307 or 5339 Funds	CAP TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eau Claire Transit TIP# 370-26-006	Capital Assistance Transit Development Plan 5307 or 5339 Funds	CAP TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	0	30	150
C. Chippewa Falls TIP # 370-24-013	Capital Assistance Replacement Vehicles	TOTAL	116	0	31	147	127	0	28	155	130	0	30	160	128	0	32	160	130	0	35	165	133	0	33	166	133	0	33	166				
Transit - Operating																																		
Eau Claire Transit TIP # 370-26-007	Operating Assistance	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,942	1,338	2,741	7,021	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C. Chippewa Falls TIP # 370-24-014	Operating Assistance	TOTAL	253	127	233	613	244	118	217	579	302	121	77	500	308	124	83	515	315	127	89	531	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highway																																		
Chippewa County Eau Claire County TIP # 370-26-008	CTH T (Phase 2) STH 312 to STH 29 Road Reconstruction (3.5 mi.)	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WisDOT TIP # 370-26-001 1050-02-09	STH 29 Stillson Creek to 330th Street Resurface (17 mi./5 mi. in MPA) NHPP	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	251	62	0	313	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WisDOT TIP # 370-26-002 1050-02-08	Various Highways NW Region, STH 29 Bridge Deck Sealing Bridge Preventative Maintenance (0.0 mi.) NHPP	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	3	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WisDOT TIP # 370-26-003 1190-03-08	USH 53 NW Region, USH 53 Bridge Deck Sealing Bridge Preventative Maintenance (0.0 mi.) NHPP	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WisDOT TIP # 370-26-004 7600-00-25	USH 12 Princeton Drive to STH 312 West Resurface (5.842 mi. / 2.1 MPA). STBG-X	PE ROW CONST TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\$29,430,000.00
*Partially in the MPA

\$664,403.00
*Partially in the MPA

\$786,205.00
*Partially in the MPA

\$3,823,264.00
*Partially in the MPA

**Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO
Resolution No. 26-02**

AMENDMENT NUMBER 12 TO THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE URBANIZED AREA (2024-2028), ADOPTION OF PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA.

WHEREAS, the Chippewa-Eau Claire Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was designated by the Governor of the State of Wisconsin for the purpose of carrying out cooperative, comprehensive, and continuing urban transportation planning in the Eau Claire urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, all MPOs are required to meet the requirements of 23 CFR Part 490, concerning Highway Safety Improvement requirements; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has adopted performance targets, as shown in Exhibit A, attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, MPOs have the option to establish targets by agreeing to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of WisDOT’s target for that performance measure;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHIPPEWA-EAU CLAIRE MPO:

That the Chippewa-Eau Claire MPO agrees to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of WisDOT adopted targets for Highway Safety Improvements and amend the Transportation Improvement Program from the Chippewa-Eau Claire Urbanized Area (2024-2028), as identified in Exhibit A, as attached to this document.

Adopted this 4th day of February, 2026

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gary Spilde, Chairperson
Chippewa-Eau Claire
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Eric Anderson, Secretary
Chippewa-Eau Claire
Metropolitan Planning Organization

Pursuant to the regulations promulgated by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has established statewide targets for the federal performance measures intended to assess performance of the National Performance Management Measures: Highway Safety Improvement Program; 23 CFR Part 490. The 2026 targets (five-year rolling averages) for the five safety performance measures are identified below in Exhibit A.

Exhibit A
Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Performance Measure	2020 – 2024 Baseline Averages	2026 Safety Targets (2% Reduction)
Number of Fatalities	599.0	587.0
Rate of Fatalities per 100 million VMT	0.930	0.911
Number of Serious Injuries	3,227.6	3,163.0
Rate of Serious Injury per 100 million VMT	5.002	4.902
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	400.4	392.4

STBG 2026-2031 Project Funding
Projects Submitted (Funding Level = \$9,425,480)

Rank/ Points	Project	Total Eligible Project Cost	Proposed Local Share	Local %	Requested Federal Share	Federal %
25	Spooner Avenue	\$6,261,051	\$1,252,209	20.0%	\$5,008,842	80.0%
21	CTH S	\$4,694,395	\$938,879	20.0%	\$3,755,516	80.0%
16	CTH T	\$3,565,255	\$713,051	20.0%	\$2,852,204	80.0%
Totals		\$14,520,701	\$2,904,139		\$11,616,562	

TAC Option: Spooner Ave. and CTH T Funded 80%

Project	Total Project	Local Share	Local	Federal Share	Federal	Balance
Federal allocation						\$ 9,425,480
Spooner Ave	\$6,261,051	\$1,252,210	20%	\$5,008,841	80%	\$4,416,639
CTH S	\$4,694,395	\$4,694,395	100%	\$0	0%	\$4,416,639
CTH T	\$3,565,255	\$713,051	20%	\$2,852,204	80%	\$1,564,435
Totals	\$6,261,051	\$1,252,210		\$7,861,045		\$1,564,435