



MIC Policy Board
December 12, 2018 Meeting Summary
Duluth Depot, Duluth, MN

Note Taker(s)	Barb Peterson	
Members Present		
	Ed Anderson	City of Superior – Citizen Rep
WI Co-Chair	Nick Baker	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Warren Bender	City of Superior Common Council
	Wayne Boucher	City of Hermantown
	Mike Casey	DTA Board Representative
	Pete Clark	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Earl Elde	St. Louis County Suburban Townships
MN Co-Chair	Frank Jewell	St Louis County Board
	Rosemary Lear	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Sam Pomush	Douglas County Board of Supervisors
	Bob Quade	City of Rice Lake
	Barb Russ	Duluth City Council
	Jenny VanSickle	City of Superior Common Council
Members Absent		* Excused Absence
	Broc Allen	Douglas County Suburban Townships
	Phil Larson	City of Proctor
	Jim Filby Williams*	City of Duluth
	Dan Olson*	Superior Common Council
	Renee VanNett	Duluth City Council
Others Present		
	Ron Chicka	MIC Director
	James Gittemeier	MIC Principal Planner
	Barb Peterson	MIC Admin Asst
	Ruurd Schoolderman	Duluth Bikes
	Rondi Watson	MIC Communications Coordinator
	Mike Wenholz	MIC



1. Introductions

Chair Nick Baker called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. All meeting attendees introduced themselves.

2. Committee Business

- **Meeting Summary of 10.17.18** Chair Baker asked for any changes or corrections to meeting summaries. Hearing no other objections, he asked for a motion to approve.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Warren Bender/Rosemary Lear moved to approve the 10.17.18 meeting summary as presented. There was no discussion; and the motion was approved unanimously.
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- **Duluth-Superior Title VI Policy Update (for approval)**

Rondi Watson gave a brief description of the minor changes that had been made. With no questions or discussion, she asked for a motion to approve.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Ed Anderson/Jenny VanSickle moved to approve the Updated Duluth-Superior Title VI Policy as presented. There was no discussion; and the motion was approved unanimously.
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- **Directors Report**

Ron Chicka quickly reviewed the news of the new Soo Locks funding going before the appropriations committee. Without a new lock being built, if the lock went down it would bring the Great Lakes shipping to a halt.

Ron is working on getting one of the consultants to speak to both the TAC and MIC sometime during the first quarter of 2019.

Other items were included in the meeting packet.

3. 2018-2021 Superior Area TIP Amendment #22

Sheldon Johnson explained that this project is for the bridge on Marina Dr (to Barkers Island) to be rebuilt. No comments were received so he asked for a motion to be made to approve.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Nick Baker/Sam Pomush moved to approve the 2018-2021 Superior Area TIP Amendment #22. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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Ed Anderson did note that if this were done in winter you could just drive across on the ice.



4. Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Bikeways Plan

James Gittemeier informed the members that due to some wording and other minor changes the TAC tabled this approval until January.

Motion Discussion and Vote	Ed Anderson/Warren Bender moved to table the approval of the Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Bikeways Plan until the January meeting. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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5. HAVOR PLANNING UPDATE

Mike Wenholz reviewed the items from the December HTAC meeting. Details were in the meeting materials.

6. 2020-2024 DULUTH AREA TIP & TIP/STIP COORDINATION

Ron Chicka briefly reviewed the events that happened at the Policy Board meeting in Sept and October when the 2019-2022 TIP was approved with the exception of one project in September but after receiving more detail at the December meeting the 2019-2022 Duluth Area TIP was approved. The other issue causing some major concerns was that the STIP was approved without the MIC's TIP being approved. Due to this problem, there were rumblings that the many millions of Federal Dollars for the area could be withheld.

James Gittemeier passed out the new timeline for the TIP process which would have the new TIP presented to the Policy Board for approval in June instead of waiting until Sept or Oct. This would give plenty of time to get it to the State jurisdictions for their processes.

Ron stated that this cannot and will not happen again. The time for these projects to be discussed is during the public comment period when the projects are submitted for inclusion in the TIP.

7. Sustainable 2045 - LRTP – Phase 2 Survey

Mike Wenholz reviewed the outreach that has been done over the last couple of months to towards completing this LRTP. The Phase 2 survey is currently open, and Mike stated that there is still time to complete it and to forward it onto coworkers, friends and others to reach as diverse a population as possible. He showed how the survey is laid out for easier completion. Currently, only 150 submittals have been made.

Mike continued stating that the first steps toward organizing the contents and chapters of the LRTP have been discussed and laid out. We are still on track for presenting the draft in late summer followed by approval at the September meetings.



8. Round Table

Toole Design has been hired to assist with the Active Transportation project in Superior.
Zagster appears to be doing great even in the winter months.
BRT open house Wednesday, January 9th. Details to come.

9. Project Updates (details can be found in the Meeting Packet)

- *2018-2021 Duluth Area TIP Admin Modification, James Gittemeier*

James quickly gave the overview of the changes being asked to be made.

- *MIC Freight Model, Ron Chicka*
- *MIC Area Truck Route Study, Mike Wenholz*
- *I35/Bayfront Area Traffic Circulation Modeling and Special Event Traffic Control Plan, Ron Chicka*
- *BPAC, James Gittemeier*

10. Adjourn

With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Chair Jewell adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.