



## TAC Agenda Topics and Project Updates

August 17th, 2021 Meeting

### Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council

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



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1. INTRODUCTIONS / AGENDA REVIEW

Vice-Chair Chris Belden called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm. A roll call of attendees was done with attendees confirming their presence and the entity they represent.

2. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- Meeting Summary of 6.15.21

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Todd Janigo/Kris Liljeblad moved to approve the 6.16.21 meeting summary. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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- MIC Director's Report

Ron Chicka reviewed the I-35 Corridor project and the 5<sup>th</sup> Ave W/Waterfront collaborative. Ron also announced that the Bayfront Project that Alliant finished a couple years ago won another ITE award.

3. DRAFT 2022-2025 SUPERIOR AREA TIP/RELEASE FOR 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

James Gittemeier covering for Sheldon reviewed the new projects for 2025 included in this years TIP.

After asking for any comments or questions; then hearing none asked for the motion.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Dena Ryan/Cindy Voigt moved to approve the release of the Draft 2022-2025 Superior Area TIP for the 30 day Public Comment Period. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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4. 2021-2024 DULUTH AREA TIP AMENDMENT #6

James Gittemeier described that this amendment consolidates and reorganizes the Woodland Ave, Arrowhead and Snively projects

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Jim Foldesi/Kris Liljeblad moved to approve Amendment #6 to the 2021-2024 Duluth Area TIP. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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5. FINAL 2022-2025 DULUTH AREA TIP

James briefly described some of the comments that had been received and that many of the changes requested had been made or addressed. With no questions or comments he asked for a motion to approve.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Krysten Foster/Jim Foldesi moved to approve the 2022-2025 Duluth Area TIP. There was no discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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## 6. MIC AREA PEDESTRIAN PLAN

After much review with the jurisdictions and changes that needed to be addressed this 25 year vision for the MIC area is now ready for approval. This plan addresses what pedestrian facilities could be considered for new construction, replacement, an overlay or just an area that could use some type of facility. After a little discussion James Gittemeier asked a motion to approve.

<b>Motion Discussion and Vote</b>	Kris Liljeblad/Bryan Anderson moved to approve the MIC Area Pedestrian Plan. There was no more discussion; the motion was approved unanimously.
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## 7. DRAFT – 2022-2023 DS MIC WORK PROGRAM

Ron Chicka described the 2022-2023 Work Program as being in a very draft form. Ron briefly discussed that the upcoming I-35 was currently the only short term project. This project is being considered in conjunction with MnDOT Dist 1 and would be an 18 month project costing approximately \$250,000 (\$100,000 MIC/\$150,000 MnDOT). Over the next several weeks we will be working on the balance of verbiage and the budgets.

## 8. 2023-2026 DULUTH AREA TIP DEVELOPMENT- INITIAL DISCUSSION

Mike Wenholz and James Gittemeier stated that they were working with Ricky Sarran on the process of making the forms electronic. They are looking to launch the new forms in January. Jim Foldesi asked if all 3 forms will be available – Mike responded that once one form is complete the others will follow quickly.

## 9. LRTP IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Mike Wenholz noted that as the Implementation Team they had not met since April and due to many obstacles is looking forward to meeting soon to develop a check list to show progress.

## 10. ROUND TABLE

Anna Pierce noted that the HSIP solisitation beginning in Sept will need MPO approval

Chris Belden announced that the DTA Board approved the Better Bus Blueprint.

Kris Liljebland announced his retirement at the end of August.

Duane Hill congratulated Kris and shared his appreciation for all his help and contributions.

## 11. PROJECT UPDATES (PLEASE SEE THE MEETING MATERIALS FOR DETAILS)

- *Central Entrance Transportation Plan Update*
- *2021-2024 Duluth Area TIP Administrative Modification #19*
- *BPAC Update*

12. Adjourn: With no further agenda items, discussions or announcements, Vice-Chair Chris Belden adjourned the meeting at 3:20 pm.