

**Greater Madison Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
February 4, 2026, Meeting Minutes**

Virtual Meeting hosted via [Zoom](#)

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Wood called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**1. Roll Call and Introductions**

**Members present:** Clement Abongwa, Richelle Andrae, Liz Callin, John Duncan, Michelle Elias, Derek Field, MGR Govindarajan, Barbara Harrington-McKinney, Bill Jetzer, Adrienne Nienow, Christof Spieler, Kristi Williams, Doug Wood

**Members absent/excused:** None.

**MPO staff present:** Alex Andros, Ben Lyman

**Others present in an official capacity:** Forbes McIntosh, Charles Peters, Mike Ridgeman (Bike Fed), Monica Strathman

**2. Approval of December 3, 2025, Meeting Minutes**

**Action:** Abongwa moved, Jetzer seconded, to approve the December 3, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**3. Communications**

a. **Numerous messages regarding the WisDOT Beltline PEL study**

**4. Public Comment (for items *not* on MPO Agenda)**

None.

**5. Public Hearing on Amendment to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program**

- b. Metro Transit's Section 5339(c) Low-No Emission grant (New)
- c. WisDOT's Interstate 39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to North County Line) Reconstruction & Capacity Expansion Project (Revise funding and schedule)
- d. WisDOT's USH 18/151 (West County Line to CTH PD) Corridor Study (Revise funding and schedule)

There were no public comments on these projects.

**6. MPO 2026 Resolution No. 1 Approving Amendment No. 14 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

a. Addition of Annual Public Transit Agency Safety Plan Performance Measure Targets and Annual Transit Asset Management Plan Targets to Attachment E of the 2025-2029 TIP

Lyman stated that the Policy Board adopted the Annual Public Transit Agency Safety Plan Performance Measure Targets and Annual Transit Asset Management Plan Targets at their November 2025 meeting; however, staff later learned that this did not sufficiently incorporate these performance measure targets into the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP). This TIP amendment updates Attachment E of the 2025-2029 TIP to reflect the updated performance measure targets as required. Lyman noted that since the targets were adopted already, this amendment could have been processed as an administrative

modification; however, given that a TIP amendment was required for other projects, it is easier to process this modification as an amendment than through a separate process.

**Action:** Williams moved, Jetzer seconded, to approve MPO 2026 Resolution No. 1 Approving Amendment No. 14 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County. Motion carried.

**7. MPO 2026 Resolution No. 2 Approving Amendment No. 15 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

Transit Projects:

- a. Metro Transit's Section 5339(c) Low-No Emission grant (New, Implementation in 2026)

Ped/Bike Projects:

- b. City of Madison's Capital City Trail (Buckeye Extension) Segments 5 and 6 (Revise schedule, project limits, and local funding)

Discretionary Program (FHWA Administered) Projects:

- c. City of Sun Prairie's Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant for Supplemental Vision Zero Planning and Demonstration Activities (New, Implementation starting in 2026)

Lyman provided a brief description of each project, including that the Metro project will purchase hybrid diesel-electric forty-foot buses; the Capital City Trail project will be let by the state with Dane County's adjacent portion of the project to improve efficiency and reduce cost, and that the western end of the project will be extended from Wagon Trail to Vondron Road to eliminate the new railroad crossing; and, that Sun Prairie successfully applied for discretionary funding which needs to be in the TIP for them to finalize their grant agreement.

**Action:** Spieler moved, Williams seconded, to approve MPO 2026 Resolution No. 2 Approving Amendment No. 15 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County. Motion carried.

**8. MPO 2026 Resolution No. 3 Approving Amendment No. 16 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

WisDOT Projects:

- a. Beltline Highway (USH 12/14/18/151) Seminole Highway to I-39/90 Resurfacing (New Illustrative Project, Construction in 2033)
- b. Interstate 39/90 (USH 12/18 to Siggelkow Road) Resurfacing (New Illustrative Project, Construction in 2033)
- c. USH 14 (CTH KP/Market Street in Cross Plains to CTH KP in Mazomanie) Resurfacing (New, Construction in 2033)
- d. USH 18/151 (Beltline Highway to Fitchrona Road) Resurfacing (New Illustrative Project, Construction in 2033)

Andros presented the proposed projects. Jetzer inquired about the timeframe between the last resurfacing and the proposed resurfacing. Ellias explained that projects are scheduled to ensure that the roadway surface of major roadways is maintained to a higher standard, and this mill and overlay would be a shallower project than the last mill and overlay was in order to maintain the asset. She also noted that there is a statutory requirement for the department to have 30% of advanceable projects ready at least one year before they are scheduled.

**Action:** Abongwa moved, Jetzer seconded, to approve MPO 2026 Resolution No. 3 Approving Amendment

No. 16 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County. Motion carried.

9. **MPO 2026 Resolution No. 4 Approving Amendment No. 17 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

- a. WisDOT's USH 18/151 (West County Line to CTH PD) Corridor Study (Revise funding and schedule)

Andros noted that this amendment corrects funding and timing errors in the project listing that was adopted in November 2025.

**Action:** Williams moved, Field seconded, to approve MPO 2026 Resolution No. 4 Approving Amendment No. 17 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County. Motion carried.

10. **MPO 2026 Resolution No. 5 Approving Amendment No. 18 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County**

- a. WisDOT's Interstate 39/90/94 (Beltline Highway to North County Line) Reconstruction & Capacity Expansion Project (Revise funding and schedule)

Andros explained that although the cover sheet for this item states that staff recommend denial of this amendment, new information came to light after the meeting packet had been published which allowed staff to recommend approval. The initial concern was that by removing all federal funding from the project, there would be no opportunity for a portion of the local project share to be offset by federal funding; however, the project funding involved in the TIP amendment was for design and right-of-way only, not for construction, and federal funding is never used for design or right-of-way by WisDOT. Construction has not been scheduled and funding is not yet programmed.

Ellias and Spieler described their respective agencies' perspective and concurred that not using federal funds for right-of-way or design is standard practice and that there will be opportunities for local governments to negotiate with WisDOT regarding the allocation of federal construction funds when that time comes. Jetzer asked for clarification that generally, WisDOT can be expected to fund design and right-of-way acquisition with state funds and only use federal funds for construction. Ellias confirmed that this is generally the case for large projects, although there could be smaller projects where this is not correct.

**Action:** Williams moved, Andrae seconded, to approve MPO 2026 Resolution No. 5 Approving Amendment No. 18 to the 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Madison Metropolitan Area & Dane County. Motion carried.

11. **Greater Madison MPO Municipal guidance on e-bike, e-moto, and other e-micromobility device regulation (for discussion only)**

Lyman explained that staff of area communities had expressed interest in the MPO developing guidance for municipalities seeking to regulate e-micromobility devices, and that staff had developed draft guidance in coordination with City of Madison staff and members of a state-wide ad-hoc working group composed of staff from the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, City of Sun Prairie, UW-Madison TOPS Lab, SRF Consulting, and the Wisconsin Bike Fed. The MPO's Technical Coordinating Committee discussed

the draft guidance at their January 2026 meeting and requested that they be provided another month to review the guidance before taking action at their February meeting. Staff anticipate that the draft guidance will need to be revised and that it will be back for Policy Board consideration in a few months, and at this point it is just an informational item for consideration.

Jetzer stated that he had several comments and thoughts about the draft guidance; Lyman encouraged him to provide those to him directly for consideration and inclusion in a revised draft.

Ridgeman stated that the Bike Fed appreciates that the MPO is preparing this guidance document, and that the Bike Fed is happy to offer assistance and support for this work.

Wood asked if this is an issue that is coming up at the level of city councils or village boards in our area, as it has not come up in Monona. Lyman stated that there are some communities in our area that are beginning to consider how to address this issue. Jetzer expressed that it will be helpful for Fitchburg to have this guidance available.

## 12. **Announcement and Staff Reports**

Andros reported that the MPO completed its USDOT recertification review and was approved for recertification.

MPO staff have begun working on updating the Regional Transportation Plan.

## 13. **Adjournment**

Abongwa moved to adjourn, Jetzer seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, March 4, 2026, virtual