



La Crosse Area Planning Committee

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LA CROSSE AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2023

Held in person and via Microsoft Teams

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Patrick Barlow, Stan Hauser, Barb Jansen, Monica Kruse, Kim Smith, Bob Stupi, Steve Elsen, Tim Candahl, Mike Poellinger, Dan Kapanke, Scott Schumacher
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	
OTHERS PRESENT:	Erin Klar (Recorder), Jackie Eastwood, Ken Harwood, Kathleen Stewart, Paula Silha, Jane Klekamp, Erin Duffer, Bob Gollnik, Francis Schelfhout, Jacob Siammas, Tim Anderson

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Patrick Barlow called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was called.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2023 LAPC MEETING

MOTION by Poellinger/Hauser to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2023 La Crosse Area Planning Committee meeting. **Motion carried unanimously; one excused (Schumacher); one abstain (Jansen).**

PRESENTATION: DRIFT SHARE – JACOB SCIAMMAS

Drift Share is a public/private partnership to bring services to the community. There is an established a plan in the City of La Crosse and now are looking to expand to a regional network. Drift offers a way to expand transportation to individuals that do not own bikes.

APPROVAL OF 2024-2027 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – Resolution 1-24

the La Crosse Area Planning Committee approved the 2024-2027 TIP on November 15, 2023. Six projects have been added to the TIP Projects: (1) Various Highways, City of La Crosse (Various Highways), Traffic Signal Rehab (Ped), Construction Anticipated in 2023; (2) Losey Boulevard, Main Street Intersection, Left Turn Lanes/Monotubes, Design Anticipated in 2024, Construction Anticipated in 2026; (3) Losey Boulevard, Mormon Coulee Road to Ward Avenue, Reconstruct, Design Anticipated in 2024, Construction Anticipated in 2027; (4) CTH M, Town of Barre – Town of Bangor (Russlan Coulee Crk Bridge B-32-0239), Bridge Replacement of B-32-14, Design Obligated in 2019, Construction Anticipated in 2025; (5) One (1) High Roof Rear Entry Transit Vehicle Replacement. Serves La Crosse and Monroe Counties; (6) USH 53 La Crosse – Galesville (Sand Lake Rd Interchange NB Offramp), Signal & Left Turn Lane, Design under TIP #243-22-19, Construction Anticipated in 2029 (Advanceable to 2027).

MOTION by Poellinger/Stupi to approve. **Motion carried unanimously.**



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APPROVAL OF STP-URBAN APPLICATIONS – REVIEW AND RANKINGS

Six applications received. Two projects selected one in City of La Crosse – Green Bay Street and City of Onalaska for Transit Vans. Expect 1.38 million available to cover these projects.

MOTION by Poellinger/Kruse to approve. **Motion carried unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP) APPLICATIONS RANKINGS

8 projects selected for a total of 6.3 million. This is a recommendation to the WI DOT for them to make the final decision.

MOTION by Stupi/Poellinger to approve. **Motion carried unanimously (two excused Kapanke, Poellinger).**

MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRAIL UPDATE AND PRESENTATION – FRANCIS SCHELFLOUT

Francis Schelflout, the Bike Ped Coordinator for Wis DOT, discussed the Mississippi River Trail. Will continue to reach out to communities to get support and resolutions.

DIRECTORS REPORT

- **Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update** – Will need to finalize a new 5 year plan by September of 2025.
- **Town of Medary Comprehensive Plan** – Funds are available to support the Town of Medary in updating their comprehensive plan.
- **La Crescent – MNDOT Active Transportation Grant** – Trying to pull together four projects in the downtown area in the first quarter of this year.
- **Miovision Equipment Purchase** – LAPC would own the equipment and loan it out to municipalities to help with their traffic studies.
- **Staffing Discussion** – Will schedule time to meet with members to further this discussion.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- MTP Update
- TIP Document Amendment
- Greenhouse gas standards

MEMBER UPDATES – no updates.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 20, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

MOTION by Poellinger/Hauser to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. **Motion carried unanimously (two excused Kapanke, Poellinger).**

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting.

Recorded by Erin Klar