

MINUTES

**Grand Valley Metropolitan Council
Transportation Division
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMMING STUDY GROUP
Tuesday, August 30th, 2022
Rapid Central Station Conference Room
250 Grandville Ave SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503**

I. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

Conners, Chair of the Subcommittee, called the August 30th, 2022 Transportation Programming Study Group meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Those present introduced themselves to the Subcommittee.

Voting Members Present

Kristin Bennett		City of Grand Rapids
Scott Conners (<i>Chair</i>)		City of Walker
Rick DeVries		City of Grand Rapids
Shay Gallagher		Village of Sparta
Tim Haagsma		Gaines Charter Township
Wayne Harrall	<i>Proxy for Mike DeVries</i>	Kent County
		Grand Rapids Charter Township
Tyler Kent		MDOT- Grand Region
Jim Kirkwood		City of Kentwood
Doug LaFave		City of East Grand Rapids
Charlie Sundblad		City of Grandville
Kevin Wisselink		ITP - The Rapid

Staff and Non-Voting Guests Present

Mara Gericke	GVMC Staff
Laurel Joseph	GVMC Staff

Voting Members Not Present

Mike Burns	City of Lowell
Mike DeVries	Grand Rapids Charter Township
Adam Elenbaas	Allendale Township
Russ Henckel	City of Wyoming
Nicole Hofert	City of Wyoming
Bill LaRose	City of Cedar Springs
Brett Laughlin	OCRC
Robert Miller	City of Hudsonville
Clint Nemeth	GFIAA
Liz Schelling	ITP – The Rapid
Jeff Thornton	Village of Caledonia
Terry Schweitzer	City of Kentwood
Rick Sprague	Kent County Road Commission
Dan Strikwerda	City of Hudsonville
Phil Vincent	City of Rockford
Luke Walters	MDOT
Steve Warren	Kent County Road Commission
Member Awaiting Appointment	Village of Sand Lake

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Referring to Item II: Attachment A, Connors entertained a motion to approve the April 13th, 2022 combined Nonmotorized/TPSG Subcommittee meeting minutes.

MOTION by Harrall, SUPPORT by LaFave, to approve the April 13th, 2022 combined Nonmotorized/TPSG Subcommittee meeting minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

IV. FY2023 CMAQ FUNDING— Referring to Item IV: Attachment A, Joseph presented the discussion on the FY2023 CMAQ funding.

At the July 20th, 2022 Combined Technical/Policy Committee meeting, the City of Kentwood requested to abandon their FY2022 CMAQ project on East Paris Ave. The scope of that project had been rolled into a larger project they were completing, and the final project cost was such that the CMAQ funding was not able to be utilized. To prevent the loss of that funding, GVMC's Clean Air Action program for FY2023 was moved to FY2022, opening up \$131,654 in FY2023 CMAQ funds for future programming. At this meeting, the TPSG Subcommittee is tasked with reviewing proposals for utilizing that funding and making a recommendation that will move forward for Technical and Policy Committee consideration at their September meetings. The City of Kentwood, City of Grand Rapids, and Kent County Road Commission submitted projects for consideration. Joseph noted that while it was listed in the packet, the City of Grand Rapids signal communications/detection project is no longer being considered. The jurisdictions presented their requests to the Subcommittee:

On behalf of the City of Kentwood, Kirkwood presented their project request. Kentwood is proposing that an 8-foot-wide nonmotorized facility be built along 52nd St between Stauffer Ave and Breton Rd at the same time as their mill and fill project scheduled for FY2023. This project includes a vintage watermain replacement from Kalamazoo Ave to Breton Rd. This project would connect to the Paul Henry Thornapple Trail near Stauffer Ave over to Breton Rd where a trail terminated. The projected cost is approximately \$305,000 with a local match of approximately 57%. Joseph noted that the project is eligible for CMAQ funding, however, it may be required to be built as a 10-foot-wide path. Kirkwood noted that the project will move forward as a 10-foot path if necessary, for an additional \$30,000.

On behalf of the City of Grand Rapids, Bennett presented the Lake Dr bicycle lanes project. This project includes constructing, marking, and signing new bike lanes between Carlton Ave and Genesee St. This project would allow for continuous bicycle infrastructure along Lake Dr, as this proposed segment is the only gap in the network along Lake Dr from the East Grand Rapids City limit and

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ITEM II: ATTACHMENT A

Diamond Ave. The project is a part of the Illustrative Nonmotorized Project List and the City's Vital Streets and Bicycle Action Plans.

On behalf of the Kent County Road Commission, Harrall presented a project request. KCRC proposed use of approximately \$90,000 toward their 84th Street and Kalamazoo Ave roundabout project. The project is just short of 80/20 funding, and at present, has about \$932,721 in Federal Funding, including Safety and Carbon Reduction funding.

Discussion and deliberation ensued.

The Subcommittee determined that in order to most efficiently use this funding, it should be allocated to the City of Kentwood for their 52nd Ave project.

MOTION by Harrall, SUPPORT by Sundblad, to recommend to the Technical Committee to allocate the additional FY2023 CMAQ funding to the City of Kentwood's 52nd Ave Project. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Joseph noted that she will be absent from the September 7th, 2022 Technical Committee meeting.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The August 30th, 2022 Transportation Programming Study Group meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm.