

MEETING RECORD

Advanced public notice of the Officials Committee meeting was posted on the County-City bulletin board and the Planning Department's website.

NAME OF GROUP:	OFFICIALS COMMITTEE MEETING
DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:	September 12, 2023, 3:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, County-City Building, 555 S. 10 th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.
MEMBERS AND OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:	Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird, Tom Beckius, Sean Flowerday, Christa Yoakum and Sändra Washington; Ryan Huff absent. Paul Barnes, Rachel Christopher and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department; Pam Dingman, Lancaster County Treasurer; Michelle Lincoln – City of Bennet; and other interested parties.

Chair Yoakum called the meeting to order and acknowledged the posting of the Open Meetings Act in the room.

Yoakum then called for a motion approving the minutes of the regular meeting held May 10, 2023. Motion for approval made by Beckius, seconded by Flowerday and carried 5-0: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington; Huff absent.

Yoakum called for the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING:

September 12, 2023

Members present: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington; Huff absent.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items:

- a. **Review and action on revisions to the FY 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
 - i. **City of Lincoln Transportation and Utilities – Transportation program:**
 - 1. **1st Street & Cornhusker – Traffic Signal Replacement – Reprogram ROW phase from FY 2024 to FY 2025, reprogram Utilities phase from FY 2025 to FY 2026, and reprogram Construction/CE phase from FY 2025 to FY 2027 with partial advanced construction and increased federal funding**
 - 2. **A Street, 40th to 56th – Show Advanced Construction (AC) of a portion of funds in the Construction/CE phase due to rescinding of federal Coronavirus funds**
 - 3. **US-34 and S. 84th Street/Russwood Parkway Intersection Improvements – Remove project**

ACTION:

Flowerday moved approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Beckius and carried 5-0: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington; Huff absent.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON AMENDMENT TO THE MPO MANAGEMENT PLAN

PUBLIC HEARING:

September 12, 2023

Members present: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington; Huff absent.

Rachel Christopher stated that a few years ago, Waverly and Hickman were added as voting members of the Technical Committee. This amendment adds Bennet at their request. Bennet recently moved from a Village to City of the Second class. As they continue to grow, they will have a more vested interest in regional transportation planning. Michele Lincoln, their Clerk/Treasurer will be their representative on the Technical Committee. This item appeared before the Technical Committee in August 2023 and they recommended approval.

ACTION:

Beckius moved approval of the amendment to the MPO Management Plan as recommended by staff, seconded by Flowerday and carried 5-0: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington voting 'yes'; Huff absent.

REVIEW AND ACTION ON REVISIONS TO THE FY 2024 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

PUBLIC HEARING:

September 12, 2023

Members present: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington; Huff absent.

Christopher stated this is the MPO budget and transportation planning activities for the fiscal year. FY 2023-2024 started in July. This is a proposal to carryover unused funds through the federal grant into FY 2024 from FY 2023. The amount is \$233,912.00 (that is the 80% federal share of the grant). She believes the MPO hasn't done this a lot in the past, however, this action will allow the MPO to have the funds available a little sooner. Normally, when a grant is closed, there is a two-year delay in receiving unused funds in the new budget following an audit by NDOT. This will allow staff more flexibility to use the funds. It is being added under metropolitan planning activities.

Yoakum believes this gives the MPO some good flexibility.

Beckius noted that nothing is getting less expensive. He believes it is useful to utilize these funds more efficiently.

Washington inquired what happens to the matching funds and if part of it is returned. Christopher stated that the grant agreement reflects both portions and the total. The match comes out of the City's general

fund. She isn't sure how the accounting is done for the general fund portion, but the funds spent on the federal side are essentially an assumed cost to be matched by the City of Lincoln.

ACTION:

Beckius moved approval to revisions to the FY 2024 Unified Planning Work Program as recommended by staff, seconded by Washington and carried 5-0: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington voting 'yes'; Huff absent.

OTHER:

There were no other topics for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one appeared.

Beckius made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Flowerday and carried 5-0: Mayor Gaylor Baird, Beckius, Flowerday, Yoakum and Washington voting 'yes'; Huff absent.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.