

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

Metropolitan Council Building, 390 Robert Street No., Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101

TAB PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes: December 8, 2011
Metropolitan Council Chambers.

Members Present: Jim Hovland, Co-Chair, Jan Callison, David Gepner, Scott McBride, Dick Mussell, Becky Petryk, Dick Swanson, Dave Van Hattum, Andy Westerberg.

Guests and Staff: Tim Mayasich, Chair, Technical Advisory Committee
Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Coordinator

I. Call to order.

Co-Chair Hovland called the meeting to order at 12:40 PM. A quorum was not present so Mr. Hovland directed the committee to take up the first information and discussion item.

IV. Information Items and Action Transmittals.

(a). Information: Update on the 2011 regional solicitation: revised schedule through project scoring.

Mr. Roggenbuck said the staff has reviewed the responses to the qualifying criteria and has notified both the applicants and the TAC Funding & Programming Committee of any issues or questions. The TAC Funding & Programming Committee will meet on December 15 to resolve the qualifying criteria issues. Mr. Roggenbuck described the qualifying criteria review process and said project scoring will begin after the holidays.

(d). Information: Conditions for making exceptions to federal funds re-allocation policy.

Mr. Roggenbuck described the adopted policy on re-allocating funds from regionally-selected projects that have been dropped from the TIP, and adopted policy on evaluating regionally-selected project scope changes. Mr. Roggenbuck also described comments from the Technical Advisory Committee on the reallocation of federal funds to projects that are not selected through the regional solicitation process.

The committee discussed this information and what are the circumstances where the TAB might deviate from its rules. Members made several comments:

- Rules should not be too narrowly defined or codified. Perhaps a variance process could be developed.
- TAB should consider what might be lost and what has already been invested.
- A larger majority vote could be required to pass policy exceptions.
- TAB should have general standards in place.

(b). 2011-68: 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: Hennepin County.

(c). 2011-69: 2012-2015 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: MnDOT.

The committee briefly discussed these two action items and raised no issues or concerns. Mr. Hovland said the committee will forward them to the full TAB with no comments.

VI. Adjourn.

Mr. Hovland adjourned the meeting at 1:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted:
Kevin Roggenbuck, TAB Coordinator.