

**ANCHORAGE METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Planning & Development Center

Training Room

4700 Elmore Road

Anchorage, Alaska

April 26, 2022

2:30 PM

This meeting was conducted in-person and virtually

Community Advisory Committee Members Present:

Name	Representing
Matt Cruickshank	District 2
Steve Horn	District 3
Diana Evans	District 4
Bob French	Federation of Community Councils
Jon Scudder	JBER
Jim Winchester	Planning & Zoning Commission
Debbie Rinkey	Chugiak/Eagle River Chamber of Commerce
Mike Rehberg	District 5

Also in attendance:

Name	Representing
Craig Lyon	AMATS Coordinator
James Starzec	DOT&PF
Christine Schuette	AMATS Planner
Aaron Jongenelen	MOA Planner
Jon Cecil	AMATS Planner
Sean Baski	DOT&PF

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

CHAIR CRUICKSHANK called the meeting to order at 2:31 pm. A quorum was reached.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MR. REHBERG moved to approve the agenda. MR. FRENCH seconded.

Hearing no objections, the agenda was approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MR. HORN moved to approve the minutes. MR. WINCHESTER seconded.

Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Chair and Vice Chair Elections

MR HORN moved to nominate Mr. Cruickshank as Chair.

MR. CRUCKISHANK accepted.

MR. HORN moved to nominate Mr. Scudder as Vice Chair.

MR. SCUDDER accepted.

b. CAC Resolution 002-2022 Equitable Funding For Municipality of Anchorage District 2

CHAIR CRUICKSHANK passes the gavel to VICE CHAIR SCUDDER to discuss this Resolution.

The committee discussed the resolution.

MS. EVANS reminded the committee that she asked for historical information on TIP funding and asked Staff to present on that.

MR. JONGENELEN presented on TIP funding from 2010 until present.

The committee discussed historical TIP funding.

MR. BASKI, the Highway Design Chief for Central Region DOT&PF asked to provide further clarification on federal funds and the requirements to see a project through to completion once it is started.

VICE CHAIR SCUDDER called a roll call vote on the resolution.

YES	Matt Cruickshank	YES	Jon Scudder
NO	Steve Horn	NO	Jim Winchester
NO	Diana Evans	YES	Debbie Rinckey
NO	Bob French	NO	Mike Rehberg

The Noes outnumbered the Yeses, the motion failed.

c. 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

The committee discussed the TIP nomination process.

MR. JONGENELEN briefed the committee and said that it was staff's intention to carry projects nomination for the 2023-2026 TIP that were not selected forward for consideration in the 2050 MTP.

MR. REBERG asked if the AMATS Policy Committee would prioritize Table 6 Pavement Replacement projects?

MR. JONGENELEN explained that Pavement Replacement projects were not prioritized.

MR. BASKI further explained that the Pavement Replacement projects were chosen based on asphalt conditions and the availability of the AMATS funding allocation.

MS. EVANS requested that the current data statistics be accompanied by the Targets set in the TIP Narrative.

There were no committee comments on the projects proposed for the 2023-2026 TIP.

6. PROJECT AND PLAN UPDATES

a. UMED Transportation Demand Study

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Destination UMED is a study to develop a phased and actionable toolkit for district stakeholders to improve travel to, from, and within the University Medical District, or UMED. This study will explore projects, policies, and programs to reduce traffic congestion, improve mobility choices, enhance equitable access to district destinations, and support the next decade of UMED growth and economic development.

MR. CECIL presented on the project.

The following were Committee questions with responses noted in *Italic*

(JS) I didn't see anything in here about electric vehicles.

(JC) We have not gotten into that level of detail yet, but that topic can be explored through this process.

(MC) What is the timeline for the project?

(JC) The project has a rapid timeline and should be wrapped up in about 14 months.

(MC) Is the intent with this study to identify problems and come up with a list of projects and strategies?

(JC) Yes, the study will collect data in the area for a final report that include a list of opportunities to explore.

(MR) In your list of stakeholders, does that include the three ASD schools that are in that area?

(JC) Yes it does

b. 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions (AMATS), the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Anchorage Bowl and Chugiak-Eagle River, is updating its Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The MTP is the primary tool AMATS uses to plan for transportation needs within the AMATS area

and recommend solutions based on anticipated funding availability over a minimum 20-year horizon. The MTP is federally required to be updated every four years and applies to all modes of transportation, addresses congestion management and air quality standards, and is based on current and planned land use.

MR. JONGENELEN updated the committee on the details of Public Workshop #1 coming up May 11th and the updated schedule for the plan.

7. General Information - NONE

8. Committee Comments

MS. EVANS asked if anyone was actively working on figuring out the grant application process for the IJA discretionary grants?

MR. JONGENELEN stated that the city was working on coordinating those efforts.

MR. CRUCKISHANK asked who people should reach out to at the city?

MR. LYON mentioned that Lance Wilber was spearheading those efforts at the city level.

MR. SCUDDER acknowledged that the committee received an email from Nancy Pease.

MR. REHBERG asked if the email was asking the committee to act on anything?

The committee discussed that there didn't appear to be a specific ask except for the committee to keep track of the public process.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.