

**Minutes of the**  
**QUAD CITIES, IOWA-ILLINOIS**  
**METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**  
**TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 12:00 p.m.  
Bi-State Regional Commission  
Conference Room 320, Third Floor  
1504 Third Avenue  
Rock Island, IL

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Richard Brunk	Chair, Rock Island County Board
Jeffrey Deppe	Aldersperson, City of East Moline
Faith Duncan	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Dennis Gerard	Mayor, City of LeClaire
Jason Gordon	Mayor, City of Davenport
Dave Krouth	Chair, MetroLINK Board
Jazmin Newton	Aldersperson, City of Davenport
Ross Paustian	Scott County Board of Supervisors
Hector Torres Cacho	Iowa Department of Transportation

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Sarah Bambas	Bi-State Regional Commission
Doug DeLille	Illinois Department of Transportation, District 2
Gerri Doyle	Federal Transit Administration (virtual)
Ryan Iossi	Aldersperson, City of Eldridge
Nithin Kalakuntla	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Bryan Schmid	Bi-State Regional Commission
Kathy Starling	Illinois-Iowa Center for Independent Living (virtual)
Oakley Thompson	Bi-State Regional Commission

1. Public Hearing on Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan. A public notice was published on March 10, 2026 in the Quad City Times and Dispatch/Argus newspapers announcing the March 24 Transportation Policy Committee public hearing. Chairman Brunk opened the public hearing. Mr. Schmid stated that the draft chapters of the LRTP have been posted on the Bi-State website since early January. He noted the public involvement associated with the plan, which followed the framework laid out in the adopted Public Participation Plan. Prior to plan development in 2024 and 2025, Bi-State staff held two kick-off meetings in Davenport and Moline. Staff participated in seven community events to solicit input from varied demographic groups. Staff totaled over 270 engagements and received 118 responses to the online survey.

Following the development of the plan, the public was invited to review the plan's contents and findings. Staff hosted five in-person public meetings in Davenport, Bettendorf, Rock Island, Moline, and East Moline and one virtual public meeting. A video recording of the virtual meeting presentation was posted to the Bi-State website. A link to a virtual input form was shared and posted on the website as well, which allowed the public to provide written feedback on particular chapters. Bi-State staff administered a Facebook page to share information on public meetings and where the public was able to provide feedback. In total, the page and its content were viewed over 10,000 times and elicited 166 interactions. A memo was distributed to diverse resource agencies in the fields of historic preservation, environmental stewardship, etc. A virtual meeting was organized with representatives from the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office. The Mayor of Bettendorf invited staff to share information on the plan input meetings during the weekly Mayor's Message shared to the city's Facebook page. And finally, staff participated in a public meeting for the Moline Comprehensive Plan where agencies

shared information on their organizations for citizens of Moline. Mr. Schmid handed out a list of comments that were received and the responses from Bi-State staff on how they would be addressed. A number of comments were either specific to a transit system or a community. Those comments were shared with the staffs of the appropriate agency. Hearing no further public comments, Mayor Gerard moved to close the public hearing. Mr. Deppe seconded the motion, and it carried without any objection.

2. Approval of Minutes of the February 24, 2026 for the Quad Cities MPO Transportation Policy Committee Meeting and Ratification of Actions. A copy of the meeting minutes was enclosed in Committee members' packets. Chairman Brunk requested a motion to approve the minutes from and ratify actions taken at the February 24, 2026 Transportation Policy Committee meeting. Mayor Gordon motioned to approve the minutes as written. Ms. Newton seconded, and the motion carried.
3. Consideration of Revisions to the Quad Cities MPO FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Ms. Bambas reported that there was one amendment related to the City of Bettendorf Middle Road project (BE-24-02), two from the City of Davenport (DA-24-03, DA-24-05, and DA-24-06), one from Davenport CitiBus (CB-26-09), and 14 from MetroLINK. Mayor Gordon motioned to approve the amendments to the TIP. Mr. Krouth seconded, and the motion carried. See attached TIP amendments at the end of the minutes for reference.
4. Consideration of Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan. Mr. Schmid asked if the Committee had any questions or comments on the plan or what was presented during the public hearing. Hearing none, Chairman Brunk requested a motion to recommend approval of the LRTP to the Bi-State Regional Commission. Mr. Paustian motioned to approve the *Thrive 2055: Quad Cities Long Range Transportation Plan*. Mayor Gordon seconded, and the motion carried.
5. Concurrence with FY2027 Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) Activities. Ms. McCullough presented on the activities and contents of the FY2027 TPWP. The program outlines planning activities to be conducted by Bi-State staff in FY2027. Activities address annual documents (TPWP and TIP), other documents (LRTP addenda, Congestion Management Process, model technical documentation), and river crossing improvements, among others. Work is categorized under program support and administration, general development and comprehensive planning, long-range transportation planning, short-range transportation planning, and complete streets planning. Ms. McCullough reviewed the accomplishments achieved so far in FY2026, as well as the adoption process of the TPWP by the Bi-State Regional Commission. She noted that there will be a shift from long-range planning to short-range with the adoption of the LRTP. Staff is also monitoring reauthorization of the federal transportation act. She shared planning targets received from both state DOTs. In total, \$1,121,812 will be available in federal funds for FY2027, which is down somewhat from FY2026. Mr. Deppe motioned to concur with the activities described. Mayor Gerard seconded, and the motion carried.
6. Discussion of Funding Targets for the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA), and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). Mr. Schmid shared the funding targets for the Iowa and Illinois portions of the three funding programs. Overall, funding targets for FFY2027 are modestly higher than the previous year. The exception is for Illinois TASA funds, which saw a decrease of approximately \$160,000 through FFY2030 compared to the targets received for FFY2026. A call for projects for each of the three programs is expected later this spring and summer.
7. Public Comments. There were no public comments.
8. Other Business. Ms. McCullough noted the grant dashboard requires a search to find a specific program and the associated opening and closing dates.
  - *LRTP Facebook page:* <https://www.facebook.com/QCLRTP>
  - *USDOT Competitive Grants Dashboard* <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard>
  - *Next Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee Meeting – 4/28/26*
9. Adjournment. Mayor Gerard motioned to adjourn. Mayor Gordon seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

March 24, 2026 - Transportation Policy Committee –  
 FFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

AMENDMENTS - COMMITTEE ACTION REQUIRED														
ROADWAY/TRAIL/OTHER														
Project Number	Year Programmed (FFY)	Project Route	Project Location	Project Description	Plan Just.	Total Estimated Cost	Federal Share	Federal Source	State Share	State Source	Local Share	Local Source	State # (IA TPMS #)	Notes
<b>CITY OF DAVENPORT - DA</b>														
DA-24-03	2026	River Drive and Mound Street	River Drive and Mound Street and approx. 604 feet east of the intersection	Storm Water gate well structure and associated storm sewer improvements at River and Mound	CMP	\$1,600,000	\$1,207,460	PROTECT			\$392,540	CTY	55827	Change in scope and federal share decreased by over 30%. Amendment Approved 3/2026
DA-24-05	2027	Marquette Street/Rockingham Road	Marquette Street Between 2nd and 3rd Streets/Rockingham Road Between Sturdevant and Marquette	Raise and reconstruct Rockingham Road / 2nd Street between Sturdevant and Marquette. Raise and reconstruct 2nd St and Marquette Street intersection, with new traffic signals, up to 3rd Street	CMP	\$6,498,000	\$5,000,000	PROTECT			\$1,498,000	CTY	55829	Change in scope and federal share increased by over 30%. Amendment Approved 3/2026
DA-24-08	2027	3rd Street & LeClaire Street/4th Street and LeClaire Street/3rd and 4th Streets & River Drive	LeClaire St from 2nd to 4th St/ 3rd St ½ block on each side of LeClaire/ 3rd & River Dr Intersection/4th & River Drive Intersection.	Raise & reconstruct approximately 800 LF of LeClaire Street and 750 LF of 3rd Street and reconfigure geometry at the intersections of River Drive & 3rd Street and River Drive & 4th Street	CMP	\$3,445,000	\$2,800,000	PROTECT			\$645,000	CTY	55833	Change in scope and federal share decreased by over 30%. Amendment Approved 3/2026

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<b>CITY OF BETTENDORF - BE</b>														
BE-24-02	2026	Middle Road	Forest Grove Dr. to Crow Creek Rd. Includes ~568.8 9' west of Hopewell Ave, ~287.29 East of Hopewell Ave, ~440.75 west of 53rd Ave, 240.11' east of 53rd Ave, and ~372.03' south of Crow Creek Rd	PE	L RTP	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	Earmark - HPC			\$400,000	CTY	54980	Additional termini were added. Amendment Approved 3/2026

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<b>DAVENPORT CITIBUS - CB</b>												
CB-26-09	2026	Preventive Maintenance	C	\$242,639	\$32,630	FY 23 5339			\$8,158	LOC	12071	Description updated from "Fareboxes" to "Driver Enclosures and Cameras". Federal Share increased over 30%. Amendment Approved 3/2026
					\$161,481	FY 24 5339			\$40,370			
<b>METROLINK - ML</b>												
ML-26-02	2026	Preventive Maintenance	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs				Federal Share decreased by over 30%, Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDCs to be requested: \$125,000
ML-26-03	2026	Transit Enhancements	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs				Being removed from the TIP. Amendment Approved 3/2026
ML-26-04	2026	MSE	C	\$381,100	\$304,880	5307	\$76,220	TDCs				Federal share decreased by over 30%, Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDCs to be requested: \$76,220

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ML-26-05	2026	ADP Hardware	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs				Being removed from the TIP. Amendment Approved 3/2026
ML-26-06	2026	ADP Software	C	\$400,000	\$320,000	5307	\$80,000	TDCs				Federal Share decreased by over 30%, Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDCs to be requested: \$80,000
ML-26-11	2026	Dock Manufacturing & Construction	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$125,000
ML-26-12	2026	Professional Services / Planning	C	\$1,250,000	\$1,000,000	5307	\$250,000	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$250,000
ML-26-13	2026	Shelters	C	\$225,000	\$180,000	5307	\$45,000	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$45,000
ML-26-14	2026	Engineering	C	\$1,030,938	\$824,750	5337	\$206,188	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$206,188
ML-26-15	2026	Facility Maintenance	C	\$716,829	\$573,463	5339	\$143,366	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$143,366
ML-26-16	2026	Fixed Route Vehicle	C	\$162,500	\$130,000	5339	\$32,500	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$32,500
ML-26-17	2026	OMC Equipment Modernization	C	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	Community Project Funding						pending grant application, Amendment Approved 3/2026
ML-26-18	2026	Engineering	C	\$625,000	\$500,000	5307	\$125,000	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$125,000
ML-26-19	2026	Facility Maintenance	C	\$937,500	\$750,000	5307	\$187,500	TDCs				New Project. Amendment Approved 3/2026. TDC's to be requested: \$187,500

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS - COMMITTEE ACTION NOT REQUIRED														
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<b>STATE OF IOWA - IA</b>														
IA-28-08	2026	US 61	DME RR 0.8 mi N of I-80 (NB/SB)	Bridge Rehabilitation	MAINT	\$7,620,000	\$6,096,000	STBG	\$1,524,000	PRF	\$0		55685	Federal share increased by less than 30%, admin mod. 3/2026