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NOTICE OF A MEETING

COMMISSION MEETING
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
111 LIBERTY STREET, SUITE 100
COLUMBUS, OH 43215
TOWN HALL

Wednesday, November 9, 2022
1:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

1:30 p.m.   **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

                 2. Welcome and Introductions – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

- **Recognition of Guests and New Members** – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer

                 3. Executive Director's Report – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

- **Strategic Framework – Build Value for Our Members**

- **Quarterly Membership Update –** Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Erik J. Janas
Chair

Chris Amorose Groomes
Vice Chair

Michelle Crandall
Secretary

4. **Proposed Resolution 15-22**: **"Accepting the City of Heath as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC"** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

Committees

5. **Regional Data Advisory Committee** – Brad Ebersole (Delaware County), Regional Data Advisory Committee Chair

6. **Regional Policy Roundtable** – David Scheffler (City of Lancaster), Regional Policy Roundtable Chair

   a. **Legislative Update** – Andy Shifflette, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joseph Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Relations

7. **Sustainability Advisory Committee** – Ben Kessler (City of Bexley), Sustainability Advisory Committee Chair

8. **Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

   a. **Call to Order** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

   b. **Metropolitan Planning Organization Report**

   - Programming – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

   c. **2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update** – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

   d. **Transportation Improvement Districts** – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

   e. **Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda**

      1) Approval of **October 13, 2022 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**
      2) **Proposed Resolution T-14-22**: **"Adopting the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide"**
      3) **Proposed Resolution T-15-22: "Adopting Goals for the 2024-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan"**

   f. **Adjourn Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

9. **Commission Consent Agenda**

     a. Approval of **October 13, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes**
     b. Approval of Actions of the Transportation Policy Committee

10. Other Business

2:45 p.m.   **11. Adjourn** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

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IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE.**

The next Commission Meeting is
Thursday, December 8, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
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MORPC Monthly Agency Report

October 2022

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DRIVE INVESTMENT

Interregional Connections
Communications with Amtrak and partners continue on Central Ohio's passenger rail discussions. A letter of intent was submitted to FRA on the federal register by MORPC in October for several rail corridors.

Metropolitan Transportation Plan
The public comment period for the proposed regional goals to guide development of the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) closed November 4. Team Members are reviewing and revising objectives and performance measures for the proposed goals. Draft objectives and performance measures will be presented for public comment in November. Team Members continue to develop data for the 2022 MTP Report Card.

RAPID 5
RAPID 5 recently welcomed Creative Director Jonathan Tolbert to their team. Mr. Tolbert was previously with Pelotonia and the City of Columbus. Stay up-to-date with RAPID 5 news and events at rapid5.org. MORPC's main contact for the RAPID 5 initiative is Chief Regional Strategy Officer Kerstin Carr (KCarr@morpc.org).

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
Team Members submitted the first draft of the region's EDD request to the U.S. EDA for review and feedback. Staff is working to submit the final EDD designation request in November.

MORPC Attributable Funding
MORPC is evaluating 42 funding applications received in September for the Attributable Funds Committee to use for developing draft funding recommendations.

Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC)
The Central Ohio regional hearing for TRAC was October 12. MORPC presented the application priority list as adopted on September 8 via Resolution T-11-22. TRAC is reviewing applications and expected to announce final awards in early 2023.

Competitive Advantage Projects (CAP)
Team Members created a strategic plan for updating CAP profiles. This includes delineating contact responsibilities with project leads, tracking progress using an interactive Excel spreadsheet, and setting the goal to have these projects updated by the end of the year.

Staff updated the comprehensive CAP contact list which enables communication with project leads. Team Members began contacting CAP project leads to review project priorities.

Team Members are discussing a possible expansion of project type and classification under the CAP. Possible project expansion themes may include, but are not limited to, workforce development, housing, and sustainability. An approach for working with communities on project expansions is underway.

Brownfield Assessments
MORPC is working to identify at least two additional Phase I projects in its current U.S. EPA Brownfield grant with approximately $20,000 in unallocated funding. With the anticipation of the final funding assignments taking place in fourth quarter 2022, MORPC expects to complete the programmatic work on the current brownfield project by first quarter 2023.

Grants
MORPC hired a new Grants Coordinator who is responsible for researching funding opportunities and working with MORPC stakeholders for various project funding.

Team Members provided support for:
- Perry County on the Appalachian Community Grants Program, outlined in HB 377, by completing project site visits and attending the Appalachian Forward Conference.
- The U.S. EPA Brownfield funding opportunity by working to apply for a funding request of $500,000. The Team is in the process of identifying project locations and project partners.
- The Village of Lockbourne to assemble information for an application to the U.S. EPA for public works funding to address issues around flooding and stormwater run-off.

Legislative Advocacy
On October 6, MORPC hosted a meeting with the mayors of Cleveland, Cincinnati and Columbus regarding the Amtrak opportunity. The Public Policy Agenda Working Group met October 7. Team Members collaborated with COTA to discuss shared transportation budget priorities.

Columbus Region Coalition
The Columbus Region Coalition met October 19 and created a subgroup to discuss federal lobbying contracts.

Defense
Team Members participated in the October 3-5 Ohio Defense Forum and the October 31-November 2 Association of Defense Communities "Installation Innovation" Conference.

US 23 Connect Study
The Study Team continued developing public engagement materials including a newsletter and interactive web map that will be used to collect specific data points and ideas from stakeholders and the public. The web map opens for use in November.

LinkUs Mobility Initiative
Preparations for the 2023 communications strategy are underway. Analysis of the May RAISE LinkUS Transit Supportive Infrastructure (TSI) grant submission was reviewed by the FTA technical team. The application did not receive a high enough rating to move onto the financial review and then onto the Secretary's desk. MORPC and COTA are working towards an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)/Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for ratification of the TSI committee structure.

CORPO
Team Members held county-level subcommittee meetings and documented the engagement as required for the TIP development process. Work continues on development of CORPO's Transportation Plan (CTP), including developing objectives and performance measures, as well as county-level population forecasts.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Coordination with ODOT is underway for the SFY 2024-2027 TIP. Approval is scheduled for May 2023. Over the next few months, MORPC will be coordinating with ODOT, transit authorities, and local governments to identify regionally significant projects with funding committed to them in SFY's 2024-2027.

Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)
OPWC District 3 (Franklin County) received 19 applications for the SCIP and LTIP programs. The applications are being scored. Final scores will be presented in December.

Clean Ohio Conservation Fund
MORPC organized a Clean Ohio Applicant Workshop on October 3 to kick off Round 17. The workshop introduced new applicants to the application process, including the new OPWC Workwise Portal and the District 3 application process. Preliminary screeners are due December 9. For more information, contact Edwina Teye (eteye@morpc.org).

PAY IT FORWARD

Return on Investment
Team Members completed and disseminated Return-On-Investment Schedules Annual Letter and 2022 MORPC Accomplishments to Board Members.

Summit on Sustainability
On October 14, MORPC hosted the annual Summit on Sustainability at the Hilton Columbus Downtown. Recordings of the Opening and Lunch Plenary Sessions are available on MORPC's YouTube Channel.

The Prioritizing Pedestrian Safety session featured panelists Michelle May and Lori Duguid from ODOT, and Angie Schmitt, author of *Right of Way: Race, Class, and the Silent Crisis of Pedestrian Deaths in America*.

RAPID 5 President & CEO Dr. Amy Acton gave a Pecha Kucha presentation during lunch. Chief Operating Officer Jen Peterson shared RAPID 5's collaborative approach to the community and other important efforts, such as LinkUS.

The Public Policy Breakout session featured ODNR Director Mary Mertz and State Senator Bob Peterson.

Intel and Regional Growth Sustainability Forum
MORPC hosted the Intel & Regional Growth Sustainability Forum on September 22. The forum included presentations from Emily Smith, Ohio Director of Global Public Affairs and Sustainability at Intel, and Brandi Whetstone, MORPC Sustainability Officer. Brian Filiatraut moderated a best practices panel to highlight ideas for communities to proactively incorporate environmental sustainability in preparation for the expected growth and development.

Events
On October 6, MORPC hosted a "Big Table" conversation, sponsored by The Columbus Foundation. Participants included members and partners who engaged in important discussions centered around the future of transportation.

Upcoming Events:
- 2023 State of the Region – April 6, 2023, Hilton Columbus Downtown Tower II.

Member Briefings, Events and Visits:
- Rural Three Forum: Hometown Revitalization, Bellefontaine
- Seven member visits
- New Board Member Orientation

Local Government Summer Internship Program
Team Members met with Dr. Jennifer Clark, Head of the OSU Knowlton School of Architecture-City and Regional Planning Program to review successes of the past program and recommendations for 2023. Staff prepared summary documents for the prior year funders.

Team Members began preparing for the 2023 program. Goals for 2023 are to make the mentor program more engaging and to partner with additional hosts. Student recruitment begins soon with a focus on local universities, including HBCUs.

Public Involvement & Engagement
Franklin County Engineer and MORPC member, Cornell Robertson, hosted the annual Touch-A-Truck event held at the Franklin County Fair Grounds. Team Members participated in the event, engaging with attendees to promote MORPC's mission, programs, and services.

In October, MORPC promoted the following opportunities for public comment through social media:
- [Columbus Area Residential Solar Co-Op Registration](#)
- [2023 cycle of the Technical Assistance Program Opens](#)
- [Proposed regional goals for the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the Columbus Urbanized Area](#)

Education and Outreach
MORPC presented at the September 20-22 Ohio GIS Conference. Presentations included information about ESRI Urban, how people are using GIS data, and how to model accessibility in multi-modal transportation networks using open-source tools.

Team Members participated in a webinar hosted by Columbus Council on World Affairs on October 20 about the international connections of our region.

CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR PROSPERITY

Regional Housing Strategy (RHS)
Team Members met or gave presentations with several groups, including the Ohio Economic Development Agency, Licking County officials and Licking County Planning & Development, Ohio Municipal League, the Sunbury-Big Walnut Area Chamber, and the Summit on Sustainability. The Team shared a regional growth outlook and discussed opportunities for communities to preserve their character

MORPC is accepting requests for RHS presentations and workshops. Our Team will work with you to design the agenda, including recommended speakers and learning objectives. Contact Jennifer Noll for more information (JNoll@morpc.org).

Transportation Safety
Team Members are conducting data analyses to complete the annual State of Safety report available later this year.

Diversity & Inclusion
MORPC is partnering with Clean Fuels Ohio to serve on their new Equity-Focused Community Collaboration, Project Advisory Committee. Through this project, Clean Fuels Ohio will work with underinvested, low income, and BIPOC communities to apply expertise toward sustainable transportation solutions to accommodate certain needs and priorities.

MORPC sponsored the YWCA's annual Activists and Agitators event, held October 13, which is dedicated to uniting the community and inspiring social change. Speakers for this year's theme, "Confronting Our Past, Constructing Our Future," discussed how to tackle the housing crisis. Both Niel Jurist and Kerstin Carr participated on the YWCA Advisory Committee and Dr. Carr served as a panelist, discussing how to "Undesign the Redline." Ms. Jurist was featured in the community spotlight videos regarding the impact of her family's displacement from Hanford Village.

MORPC's DE&I Committee held a Lunch & Learn in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month with featured guests Ohio Hispanic Coalition Executive Director, Josue' Vicente, and Program Officer Sarah Brown. They talked with staff not only about the rich heritage and culture of the Hispanic community and its celebration during National Hispanic Heritage Month, but also about their organization and how MORPC can potentially partner on programs and initiatives, including transportation.

During October, MORPC recognized:
- Firewood Awareness Month: Partnered with the United States Environment Protection Agency's (EPA) Burn Wise initiative to bring awareness to safe burning practices to decrease air pollution. Learn more [here](#).
- Pedestrian Safety Month: Prioritized messaging about safe driving behaviors in accordance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Learn more [here](#).
- National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, October 23-29: Promoted this annual campaign which focuses on solutions for reducing children's exposure to lead and prevention of negative health effects. Learn more about MORPC's lead abatement program [here](#).

Active Transportation Committee
The Active Transportation Committee met October 20. The meeting focused on transportation demand management and included highlights of national best practices and successful regional and local TDM programs/initiatives. Presentation materials are available upon request.

Technical Assistance Program
The Technical Assistance Program (TAP) guide was updated for 2023. Applications for the 2023 program are available November 10 and are due by 5 p.m. December 9. Awards will be announced in early January 2023 with the intent to begin work in mid-January 2023.

Mobility Management
Fayette and Madison Counties are planning a Mobility Workshop for early 2023. Union County stakeholders are planning a workforce transportation workshop in early 2023 to assist employers like Scotts and Honda with finding resources for current and new employees. MORPC's vanpool and carpool resources will be highlighted as well as the Commute Action Fund.

FTA Section 5310 Designated Recipient
Applications for the FY 22 funding were due October 24. The 5310 Advisory Committee will determine the program of projects for review by MORPC, CAC, TAC, and Transportation Policy Committee in December.

Gohio Commute
Team Members participated in the Smart Columbus Drive Electric event at Easton, speaking to over 200 people about sustainable commuting and the Gohio Commute programs. Team Members also took part in the Smart Columbus Commuter Benefits Cohort meeting which brought local business together to discuss commuter benefits and current mode providers available in Central Ohio.

MORPC added a new vanpool group traveling from Hebron to Whitehall

The Gohio Commute program continues to run a marketing campaign focused specifically on vanpooling and carpooling. This program is promoted via billboard placement and social media.

Regional Data Advisory Committee
The next Regional Data Advisory Committee meeting is December 6.
- The Capacity Building & Partnership Working Group met with the Human Services Chamber on September 28 to discuss creation, implementation, and use cases for the Data Resource Hub. Data Day was rescheduled and moved to Ohio University's Integrated Education Center in Dublin.
- The Local Government Resources Working Group is seeking recommendations and requests for data policy resources and best practices via an online submission form.
- The Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy Working Group's December 7 meeting features Columbus City Auditor Megan Kilgore and other local government auditors in a round table discussion of the impacts to local budgets. The Steering Committee Chair's term ends in December, a new Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected at the December meeting. Moving forward, RDIG plans to shorten the length of full RIDG meetings to 90 minutes and to be primarily virtual. The Steering Committee hopes to proactively engage with RDAC Members to help implement RDAC initiatives and goals. The Committee also hopes to welcome additional members in 2023.

Data & Mapping
Team Members are exploring ways to standardize data tools and workflows and to improve version control and documentation. The Team is experimenting with a tagging system for data products (datasets, visualizations, etc.) to allow traceability back to the workflow that produced them.

The 2022 Member Community Population Estimates were presented and approved for the purpose of computing 2023 dues at the October 13 Commission meeting through resolution 14-22. In the coming weeks, estimates will be made available to members and the public via the MORPC Population Hub.

Team Members are providing data and analysis support for updates to the Regional Sustainability Agenda metrics as well as the Gentrification and Displacement Risk Analysis, and a series of community presentations on regional growth and housing needs.

Sustainability Advisory Committee
The Sustainability Advisory Committee met September 29. Meeting materials are available here. The next meeting is December 14.

Sustainable2050
The City of New Albany achieved Sustainable2050 Silver Certification and was recognized at the October Commission meeting. New Albany is the first to certify under the new Regional Sustainability Agenda, and the 20th member to achieve certification. Sustainable2050 membership and tier status certification is open to MORPC members. Contact Brandi Whetstone for more information at bwhetstone@morpc.org. The next meeting is December 9.

Central Ohio Greenways (COG)
The COG Trail Development Working Group and Partnership Working Group met October 19 to consider updates to the Regional Trail Vision. The updates reflect new feasibility understandings that are the result of MORPC's Technical Assistance 2022 projects and other local community plans. COG's Nomination Committee recommended Dublin's J.M. Rayburn to join the Board. His term begins in November. The next COG Board meeting is November 16.

Central Ohio Blueways
Team Members are mapping Blueways routes and access points to determine mileage and access points within each jurisdictional boundary. The information will be used to solicit participation in a Blueways Steering Committee and to confirm contact information for partnership meetings within each Blueway.

Sustaining Scioto Board
The Sustaining Scioto Board met October 26. Meeting materials are available here.

Ohio EPA Water Resources Planning Work
Team Members are working to implement the scope of work, which includes an online map and updates to the 208 plans in Delaware and Licking Counties. Staff is also working with Ohio EPA to host a December 6 workshop focused on the value of water resources and wastewater planning, and the available funding and resources to support communities in these efforts.

Air Quality
No air quality alerts have been issued since June.

MORPC participates in the U.S. EPA Advance Program and is required to develop a path forward plan for the upcoming year. The Advance Program offers an opportunity for states, tribes, and local governments to work in partnership with the EPA and each other within a framework that can help focus participants' efforts to keep their air clean. MORPC is working with the U.S. EPA to develop this plan, which will include ongoing programs and projects and outline potential strategies to employ for expansion by being members of the U.S. EPA Advance Program.

Neighborhood Air Monitoring Project
Team Members are managing and analyzing data from the PurpleAir monitors for the neighborhood monitoring project. The Team will produce a six-month data analysis report in the next month to get a

snapshot of the particle pollution levels recorded in different zip codes. With the arrival of new PurpleAir monitors, we will coordinate with the Ohio EPA to co-locate those with a regulatory monitor to verify their performance.

Energy & Air Quality Working Group
The next Energy & Air Quality Working Group meeting is November 15 at OSU's Byrd Polar & Climate Research Center. Aaron Wilson and Jason Cervenec will discuss the development of the next installment of the National Climate Assessment and provide a tour of their research facilities and world-renowned ice cores. Please RSVP to Brian Filiatraut (bfiliatraut@morpc.org).

Energy Planning
The Regional Schools Energy Strategy (ReSES) is an opportunity for schools, school districts, and local governments to move forward with onsite solar power generation through a collaborative solar co-op to secure the best pricing on installation and electricity rates. MORPC is in discussions with interested entities. If any local government or school leader is interested, please contact Brian Filiatraut (bfiliatraut@morpc.org).

Federal funding opportunities are a priority, and the Team continues to coordinate across departments on identifying opportunities for clean energy and sustainability. MORPC is working in partnership with the Columbus Partnership's Clean Energy Program to coordinate opportunities for both ReSES and a Columbus Region Green Fund.

Residential Services
The weatherization postcard campaign continues to provide results, with applications increasing at a good rate. Team Members are actively recruiting HVAC contractors through a direct-contact model. WarmChoice initial inspections are increasing. Completions are low due to the lull in incoming jobs experienced in August.

HWAP production is anticipated to match monthly goals. Inspectors' schedules are full with a wait list of over 100 applications and a backlog of applicants waiting for inspections.

The Home Repair program has 24 projects underway for the lead program. Stakeholders met November 2 to discuss contractor recruitment proposals.

BUILD VALUE FOR OUR MEMBERS

Recruitment
Team Members are collaborating to amplify MORPC's job postings amongst qualified and talented diverse candidates. This month, staff met with ThriveIN, a community organization that specializes in minority recruitment and retention, to explore new opportunities for expanding diverse recruitment efforts.

Finance
Team Members are rolling out a streamlined invoice approval process utilizing an already in-place software. The software currently serves as MORPC's internal timekeeping and purchase order generation system and now includes electronic processing of invoices. This will aid in tracking invoices as well as make the review and approval process more efficient. Ultimately, we expect this new process to decrease payable processing time, allowing vendors to be paid quicker. This process change comes on the heels of the pandemic-initiated process adjustment that moved invoice review and approval to an electronic process, using email and pdf documents. That process was successful in keeping invoices moving and paid in a timely fashion. The new process is more efficient and easier for users, resulting in more effective processing and invoice payment.

MORPC in the News
Links to press releases and news article for the month are available at www.morpc.org/MORPCInTheNews.

Personnel Updates
MORPC is currently recruiting for open positions:
- GIS Specialist
- Executive Scheduler

- Mobility Coordinator
- Central Ohio Greenways Intern
- Regional Investment Officer

The following are in the interviewing or offering stage, or onboarding soon:
- Director of Data Analytics & Strategy
- Mobility Coordinator
- Central Ohio Greenways Intern
- Executive Assistant

The requirements for the posted positions are available for review on the website at http://www.morpc.org/careers/.

RFP/RFQ Postings
The following RFP's/RFQ's were posted:
- 2023 Messaging Framework
- Website Updates
- HVAC Contractor for Residential Energy Programs
- Insulation Contractor for Residential Energy Programs

The full RFP/RFQs are available at http://www.morpc.org/rfps-rfqs/.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
2023 Commission and Committee Meetings

MEETING	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Executive Committee (1st Thursday, 1:30-3:00 pm, Board Room)	-	2	2	Mar 30*	4	1	-	3	7	5	2	7
Commission/Transportation Policy Committee (2nd Thursday, 1:30-3:00 pm, Town Hall)	-	9	9	13	11	8	-	10	14	12	9	14
Community Advisory Committee (Monday, 5:30-7:00 p.m., Town Hall)	-	Jan 30	Feb 27	-	1	May 31	-	Jul 31	Aug 28	-	1	4
Transportation Advisory Committee (Wednesday, 9-10 am, Town Hall)	-	1	1	5	3	May 31	-	2	Aug 30	4	1	6
Attributable Funds Committee (Wednesday, 10 am-Noon, Town Hall)	-	15	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	1	6
Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO) Committee (Monday, 2:00-3:30 pm, Town Hall)	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
Regional Data Advisory Committee (1st Tuesday, 1:00-2:30 pm, Board Room)	-	-	7	-	-	6	-	-	12	-	-	5
Regional Policy Roundtable (2nd Tuesday, 1:30-3:00 p.m., Board Room)	-	14	-	-	16	-	-	15	-	-	14	-
Sustainability Advisory Committee (3rd Wednesday, 2:30--4:00 pm, Board Room)	-	15	-	19	-	21	-	-	20	-	-	13
MORPC COMMITTEES												
Active Transportation Committee (2nd Tuesday, 10 am-12 pm, Town Hall)	-	-	14	-	-	13	-	-	12	-	-	12
Agriculture and Rural Communities Outreach Team (3rd Thursday, 10-11:30 am, Buckeye)	19	-	16	-	18	-	20	-	21	-	16	-
Blueways Working Group (TBD)												
Central Ohio Greenways Board (3rd Wednesday, 10-11:30 am, Board Room)	18	-	15	-	17	-	19	-	20	-	15	-
COG Marketing/Communications & Operations/Access Joint WG (3rd Tuesday, 2-3 pm, Buckeye)	-	14	-	18	-	13	-	15	-	17	-	12
COG Trail Development & Partnerships Joint Working Group (3rd Thursday, 9:30-10:30 am, Buckeye)	-	16	-	20	-	15	-	17	-	19	-	13
Energy & Air Quality Working Group (4th Tuesday, 1:00-2:30 pm, Buckeye)	24	-	28	-	23	-	25	-	26	-	29	-
Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Committee (Wednesday, 2:00-3:30 pm, Buckeye)	18	-	-	19	-	-	19	-	-	18	-	-
Interregional Connections (4th Wednesday, 1-2 pm, Virtual)	-	22	-	-	24	-	-	23	-	-	15	-
Local Government Resources Working Group (4th Tuesday, 3:00-4:00 pm, Olentangy)	24	28	28	25	23	20	25	22	26	24	29	12
Partnerships & Capacity Building Working Group (TBD)												
Regional Data Agenda Working Group (TBD)												
Regional Information & Data Group (RIDG) (2 weeks after RDAC, 2:30-4:30 pm)	-	-	22	-	-	28	-	-	27	-	-	6
Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy Working Group (TBD)												
RIDG Steering Committee (2 weeks before RDAC, 2:30-4 pm, Olentangy)	-	14	-	-	16	-	-	22	-	-	14	-
Sustaining Scioto Board Meetings (4th Wednesday, 2:30-4:00 pm, Buckeye)	-	22	-	26	-	14	-	23	-	25	-	7
Sustainable2050 (4th Thursday, 9:30-11:00 am, Board Room)	-	-	23	-	-	22	-	-	28	-	-	4
MEETINGS FACILITATED OR HOSTED BY MORPC												
5310 Advisory Committee (Semiannual 1-3 pm, Board Room)	-	-	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	-
5310 Shuttle and Circular WG (Tuesday, 1:30-3 pm, Board Room)	10	-	-	11	-	-	11	-	-	10	-	-
Central Ohio GIS Users Group (3rd Wednesday, 2-4 pm, Town Hall)	-	22	-	-	17	-	-	16	-	-	15	-

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Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Forum (3rd Wednesday, 9 am-12 pm, Town Hall)	-	-	-	19	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	12
Central Ohio Mobility Management (Tuesday, 10 am-12 pm, Virtual)	3			4			5			3		
Central Ohio Mode Shift Coalition (Thursday, 3-4 pm, Virtual)	5	-	-	6	-	-	6	-	-	5	-	-
Central Ohio Systems Management Organizational Sharing (COSMOS) (4th Thursday, 9-11:00 am, Board Room)	26	-	-	27	-	-	-	31	-	-	16	-
Columbus Region Coalition (3rd Wednesday 4-5 pm, Virtual)	18	15	15	19	17	21	19	16	20	18	15	20
Franklin County TID (4th Thursday, 2:30-4:00 pm, Board Room)	26	23	23	27	25	22	27	24	28	26	16	21
Housing Advisory Board (1st Tuesday, 2-3:30 pm, Buckeye)	-	7	-	4	-	6	-	1	-	3	-	5
Mid-Ohio Finance Administrators (4th Tuesday, 11:45 am-1:15 pm, Board Room)	24	-	-	25	-	-	25	-	-	24	-	-
Natural Resources Assistance Council (Variable, Buckeye)	9	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) Executive Directors (4th Wednesday, 10:30 am-1:00 pm, Board Room)	-	1	22	-	24	-	26	-	27	-	29	-
OARC Finance Directors (Friday, 10:30 am-2:00 pm, Board Room)	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	20	-	-
OARC Policy Committee (3rd Thursday, 3 pm, Virtual)	19	16	16	20	18	15	20	17	21	19	16	21
OARC RideShare/Air Quality Subcommittee (Friday, 10-Noon, Virtual)	20	-	-	21	-	-	21	-	-	20	-	-
OARC Transit (Friday, 10 am-2 pm, Virtual)	13	-	-	14	-	-	14	-	-	14	-	-
OARC Transportation Directors (4th Friday, 10 am-2 pm, Town Hall)	-	24	-	28	-	23	-	25	-	27	-	15
Public Works Integrating Committee (1:30-3:30 pm, Board Room & Town Hall)	-	-	10	14	12	-	-	-	-	20	20	1, 15
Rickenbacker Area Stakeholders Group (10-11:30 am, Virtual)	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	5
Transit Coordination (3rd Thursday, 9-11 am, Virtual)	19	-	-	20	-	-	20	-	-	19	-	-
Transit Supportive Infrastructure Leadership (Semiannual, Town Hall) - BD												
Transit Supportive Infrastructure TCC (Board Room) - TBD												
Transit Supportive Infrastructure TWG (Bi-monthly, Town Hall) - TBD												

*If needed – The 2023 State of the Region is April 6.

Notes:
January 1 – New Year's Day
January 2 – Observe New Year's Holiday
January 16 – MLK Day
February 20 – Presidents Day
March 12 – Daylight Savings Time Begins
March 23 – Ramadan Begins
April 5-13 – Passover
April 22 – Eid-al Fitr
May 29 – Memorial Day
June 19 – Juneteenth
June 29 – Eid-al Adha

July 4 – Independence Day
July 19– Muharam (Muslim New Year)
September 4 – Labor Day
September 15-17 – Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year)
September 24-25 – Yom Kippur
October 9 – Indigenous Peoples Day
November 5 – Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 10 – Observe Veterans Holiday
November 11 – Veterans Day
November 20-24 – Week of Thanksgiving
December 25-29 – Week of Christmas

Updated – 11/8/2022

Memorandum

TO:	Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee Officers and Board Members
FROM:	William Murdock Executive Director
DATE:	November 4, 2022
SUBJECT:	Proposed Resolution 15-22: **"Accepting the City of Heath as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)"**

On October 3, 2022, the City Council of the City of Heath passed a resolution to join the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). This resolution accepts the City of Heath as a member of MORPC, which helps meet the desire of MORPC's membership to continue to grow the organization for the benefit of a stronger Central Ohio region.

The net dues will be pro-rated as of the date of membership and assessed to the City of Heath in the amount of $696.

Attachment: Resolution 15-22

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Erik J. Janas
Chair

Chris Amorose Groomes
Vice Chair

Michelle Crandall
Secretary

RESOLUTION 15-22

"Accepting the City of Heath as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)"

WHEREAS, the City of Heath recognizes the need for collaborative, cooperative planning in order to ensure continued growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, MORPC's mission is to be the regional voice and a catalyst for sustainability and economic prosperity in order to secure a competitive advantage for Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the City of Heath has petitioned for membership in MORPC; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of MORPC's members to continue to grow for the benefit of strong collaboration on regional issues; and

WHEREAS, the City of Heath will be assessed dues based on the 2021 population projections; and

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2022, the City Council of the City of Heath passed a resolution accepting the conditions of membership contained in MORPC's Articles of Agreement; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE **MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**:

Section 1.   That the City of Heath is accepted as a member of MORPC effective October 13, 2022.

Section 2.   That the Bylaws provide that two (2)) representatives appointed by the City of Heath are eligible to serve as voting members on their behalf at the MORPC Commission meetings.

Section 3.   That net dues will be pro-rated as of the date of membership (November 9, 2022) and assessed to the City of Heath for 2022 in the amount of $696.

Section 4.   That the City of Heath shall be entitled to the same regular services of MORPC as are other members and that any special services will be purchased by the City based on standard MORPC rates.

Section 5.   That the executive director is authorized to take such other action and execute and deliver such other documents as, acting with the advice of legal counsel, he shall deem necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.

Section 6.   That this Commission finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this Commission concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Commission.

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Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Effective date: November 9, 2022
Submitted by: William Murdock, Executive Director
Prepared by: Eileen Leuby, Membership Services Officer
Authority: Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date: November 9, 2022

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: October 13, 2022
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Location: MORPC Town Hall

Transportation Policy Committee Members Present In Person

Barry Adler	Erik Janas	Jim Schimmer
Chris Amorose Groomes	Ben Kessler	Elissa Schneider
Karen Angelou	Greg Lestini	Kent Shafer
Herb Asher	Kim Maggard	Kim Sharp
Beth Beatty	Glenn Marzluf	Thom Slack
Ben Collins	Rory McGuiness	Sloan Spalding
Karl Craven	Rozland McKee	Ike Stage
Brad Ebersole	Eric Meyer	Joe Stefanov
Cindi Fitzpatrick	Megan O'Callaghan	Nancy White
Jennifer Gallagher	Eric Richter	
Tom Homan	Michael Schadek	

Transportation Policy Committee Members Attending Remotely

LaGrieta Acheampong	Kristen Easterday	Steve Mazer
Mike Anderson	Matt Greeson	Bonnie Michael
Susan Brobst	Pam Hykes O'Grady	Brent Welch for
Ron Bullard	Laurie Jadwin	Cornell Robertson
Tina Cottone	James Jewell	Kenneth Wright

Commission Members Present In Person

Joe Antram	Sam Filkins	Brent Russell
Franklin Christman	David Kell	David Scheffler

Commission Members Attending Remotely

Joy Davis	Chris Harkness	Eric Phillips
Terry Emery	Bill Narducci	

Associate Members Attending In Person

James Sotlar

Associate Members Attending Remotely

Kristin Sutton

MORPC Staff Present in Person

Kerstin Carr	Níel Jurist	Shari Saunders
Andrea Doolittle	Eileen Leuby	Robin Underwood
Thea Ewing	William Murdock	Brandi Whetstone
Brian Filiatraut	Adam Porr	Robert Williams
Joe Garrity	Kyle Probert	
Shawn Hufstedler	Chuck Ratliff	

MORPC Staff Attending Remotely

Mary Ann Frantz	Ralonda Hampton	Grant Lach
Amanda Frey	Kenneth Harvey	Jennifer Noll
Preston Frick	Jon Heider	Anabel Pederson
John Gardocki	Lynn Kaufman	Anthony Perry
Nick Gill	Prince Kwarteng-Crooklyn	

Guests Present in Person

Jamie Brucker, Morrow County	Tamara Howard, Charter Communications
Phyllica Faieta, City of Lancaster	Adrienne Joly, City of New Albany

Kasey Kist, City of New Albany
Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter

Pete Vail, City of Lancaster
Anna van der Zwaag, City of New Albany

Guests Attending Remotely
Mike Andrako, FCEO
Jennifer Delgado, City of Dublin

Andy Shifflette, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter
Sean Staneart, City of Johnstown

Meeting Called to Order
Chair Erik Janas called the Transportation Policy Committee Meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Report
- **Programming – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming**
  Thea Ewing presented the Metropolitan Planning Organization Report. MORPC presented six projects for the MPO and two projects for the RTPO to the ODOT Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC). MORPC's message to ODOT is that we are a growing region. Many projects are advancing faster than we can get them on our plans.

  MORPC recently put a message on the docket for the Federal Highway Corridor Identification program. We received a confirmation number, but it is not yet showing on the docket. Ms. Ewing will send a link when it is available. The letter covers all the corridors of interest in the region. We met with the mayors of Columbus, Cleveland, and Cincinnati last week regarding the 3C & D corridor. The mayors committed to building a coalition for the corridor.

  MORPC is working on several grants in the economic development and transportation arena. One grant is going after more funds for the Brownfield assessment program. We are working with Smart Columbus on a regional broad level application for smart programs, strengthening mobility and revolutionizing transportation more focused around working with underserved populations and workforce access. Both applications are due mid-November.

2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming
Thea Ewing gave an update on the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The draft Goals & Objectives are out for public comment through November 4. The goals will be presented for adoption in November. The annual report cards are based on the goals, objectives and performance measures. The draft objectives and performance measures will be presented in November. Maria Schaper is the project lead.

Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda
Tom Homan made a motion to approve the Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda, second by Nancy White; motion passed.

The Transportation Policy Committee Meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

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Michelle Crandall, Secretary
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: October 24, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-14-22: **"Adopting the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide"**

The proposed Resolution T-14-22 will adopt an update to the MORPC Technical Assistance Program Guide for the next round of services. The Technical Assistance Program (TA Program) provides MORPC staff assistance to local government members within the boundary of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to advance the goals in the MTP through implementation of specific MTP strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit Infrastructure.

The Program Guide is reviewed on a regular basis, in alignment with each new round of technical assistance services. This provides the opportunity to make necessary changes to address the most current needs of the region and our local communities. Minor tweaks were made to the Program Guide for 2023, with the most significant changes incorporating new service types available for applicants.

The 2023 Program Guide will apply to the 2023 round of technical assistance services. An application window will be opened on Thursday, November 10th for eligible MORPC members to apply for the services established in the 2023 Program Guide.

Since the inception of the TA Program, Several Central Ohio communities have received MORPC staff assistance to complete various planning and policy development efforts. More information about these past services, as well as the current program, can be found on the MORPC website at: www.morpc.org/program-service/technical-assistance-program.

Attachment: Resolution T-14-22

William Murdock, AICP
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Vice Chair

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Secretary

RESOLUTION T-14-22

"Adopting the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide"

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS, the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) includes strategies for implementing active transportation and transit supportive infrastructure throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the MORPC Technical Assistance Program has provided technical assistance to eligible local government members since 2017 to advance planning that supports active transportation modes; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide continues previously offered technical assistance services and establishes new services; and

WHEREAS, the primary tenet of the Technical Assistance Program is to assist communities in implementing MTP System Management and System Development strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit, including strategies as listed in the Program Guide; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting recommended approval of this resolution; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE **MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Section 1.   That it adopts the attached MORPC 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide.

Section 2.   That it directs staff to conduct a process to select activities for technical assistance in accordance with the 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide.

Section 3.   That the Technical Assistance Program Guide will be reviewed and evaluated ahead of each application round and be modified as warranted.

Section 4.   That this committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this committee.

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Erik Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Date

Prepared by: Programming Staff

Attachment: MORPC 2023 Technical Assistance Program Guide

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GUIDE
2023

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) Technical Assistance (TA) Program provides assistance from MORPC staff to local government members within the boundary of the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the planning of transportation and quality of life improvements related to the goals and strategies of MORPC's Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Through the TA Program, MORPC staff will assist member communities with specific planning services related to active transportation, trail planning, transportation safety, and transit-supportive land use planning that support consideration of transportation in land use planning and/or demonstrate the benefits of various modes of transportation.

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PROGRAM PURPOSE

The seven-county Central Ohio region is growing rapidly, with its population expected to increase to approximately 3 million people by 2050. Demographic shifts anticipated with this growth will have a significant impact on the region's transportation system. To keep up with these shifts and evolving market demands, the region must recognize and address the need for a more multimodal and sustainable transportation system, as well as strategies for development that supports it.

A safe, reliable, efficient, and accessible transportation system is essential to the economy and quality of life for those who live and work in Central Ohio. The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) establishes a set of regional goals and objectives, and recommends strategies – including specific projects – that will maintain, manage, and develop Central Ohio's transportation system through 2050. Additionally, the Active Transportation Plan (ATP) and Complete Streets Policy work in combination with the MTP to further promote safe and comfortable conditions for walking and bicycling throughout the region. Finally, the Central Ohio Greenways vision of providing a world-class network of trails accessible to everyone in Central Ohio has resulted in a plan to add more than 500 new miles of trails throughout the broader region. Together these plans lay out a vision for a robust, multimodal, and sustainable transportation system in Central Ohio that provides the mobility options needed to support the region's growing population.

The 2020-2050 MTP established the following goals:

- Position Central Ohio to attract and retain economic opportunity to prosper as a region and compete globally.
- Create sustainable neighborhoods to improve residents' quality of life.
- Reduce per capita energy consumption and promote alternative fuel resources to increase affordability and resilience of regional energy supplies.
- Protect natural resources and mitigate infrastructure vulnerabilities to maintain a healthy ecosystem and community.
- Increase regional collaboration and employ innovative transportation solutions to maximize the return on public expenditures.
- Use public investments to benefit the health, safety, and welfare of people.

The Technical Assistance Program provides MORPC staff assistance to local government members within the boundary of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to advance the goals in the MTP through implementation of specific MTP strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit infrastructure.

The specific MTP strategies include:

System Management

- OP 10 – Modify lane configurations of roadways, where appropriate, to safely match vehicle, transit, bike, and pedestrian demand.

- SAF 1: Collect, develop, maintain, and analyze crash data and identify regional safety emphasis areas and priority safety locations.

- SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations.

- DM 3 – Collaborate to reduce the need for vehicle travel through development regulations.

- DM 6 – Make neighborhoods safely walkable, bikeable, and accessible by transit through non-infrastructure projects and programs.

System Development

- BP 1 – Collaborate to build high comfort bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure through development regulations.

- BP 2 – Increase the quantity and quality of data on bicycle, pedestrian, and similar modes travel behavior.

- BP 3 – Expand high comfort bicycle and pedestrian networks through the implementation of complete streets.

- BP 4 – Implement the Central Ohio Greenways trail vision.

- BP 5 – Implement the Active Transportation Plan to create high comfort regional pedestrian and bicycle transportation networks.

- BP 6 – Make neighborhoods walkable and bikeable through infrastructure projects that fill gaps in the high comfort pedestrian and bicycle networks.

- BP 7 – Ensure neighborhoods and employment locations have high comfort connections for pedestrians and bicyclists to the regional pedestrian, bicycle and transit networks.

- BP 8 – Facilitate multi-jurisdictional dialogue to improve opportunities through collaboration.

- TRAN 1 – Collaborate to build transit infrastructure through development regulations.

- TRAN 6 – Make neighborhoods transit supportive through infrastructure projects.

Transportation System Related

- SYS 1 – Collaborate to ensure localized and regional transportation systems needs are addressed in development decisions.

- SYS 2 – Develop transportation system to serve all demographic population groups.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The MORPC TA Program awards technical assistance services through a competitive application process. Successful applicants will receive MORPC staff expertise for community-based planning services that help to advance regional goals and specific strategies identified in the MTP. Technical assistance will be provided for specific planning services to help implement the identified strategies.

MORPC has established pre-determined scopes of services for potential activity types for the 2023 TA Program cycle. Before applying for technical assistance, members are encouraged to participate in an optional, **informational webinar** with MORPC staff **on Tuesday, November 15, 2022** to ask any questions about the program. For more information, contact Lauren Cardoni at lcardoni@morpc.org.

Members awarded technical assistance through the TA Program must be prepared to have these services completed within six to nine months. Services should align with existing or proposed community projects that establish a strong connection to the MTP, ATP, Complete Streets Policy, and COG Vision. As part of the application process, applicants are required to provide a commitment letter signed by a local leader or department director acknowledging the request for technical assistance and committing local staff time to the project.

Within the program application, applicants will be asked to describe how local government officials and staff will participate in the process. The TA Program planning process is expected to be iterative; MORPC staff and program partners will conduct the planning process *together* with staff from the communities that are selected.

Members who receive an award of technical assistance **must** be able to:
- Submit a letter of commitment signed by a local leader or department director as part of the application,
- Designate a community staff member as Project Manager, and
- Enter into an agreement with MORPC prior to initiation of services.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITY TYPES

For the 2023 TA Program cycle, MORPC has identified activity types that are intended to help guide Central Ohio communities through the projected changes in regional transportation needs. These activity types were developed based on the vision and goals established by the MTP, ATP, Complete Streets Policy, and COG Vision. Each activity is designed to address specific strategies established in the MTP.

Applicants are encouraged to apply for one of the pre-determined activity types outlined below. The anticipated scopes of work are intended to be a guide for the services and deliverables the TA Program will provide for communities. Communities can modify a pre-determined scope to suit their individual community needs as part of the application process.

Applicants must indicate their chosen activity type and provide the scope of work in their application. Awardees must be able to show that whichever project they choose can be completed within six to nine months.

Activity Types:

The following activity types have been established for the 2023 TA Program cycle:

1. **Active Transportation Planning**
   a. Complete Streets Policy Development
   b. Transit Supportive Infrastructure Planning
   c. Active Transportation Project Prioritization

2. **Central Ohio Greenways Visioning**
   a. Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement
   b. Trail Access Improvements Planning

3. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety**
   a. Safety Action Plan Development
   b. Complete Streets Safety Audit
   c. Systemic Safety Analysis

4. **Land Use Planning**
   a. Conceptual Development Framework
   b. Transit Oriented Development Planning

5. **Other**

Following are the potential scopes of work for each activity type. These may be modified by the applicant as part of the application process.

1. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

a. Complete Streets Policy Development

Background: Complete Streets provide safe, comfortable, and convenient access for all roadway users regardless of mode, age, or ability. Complete Streets may include sidewalks, protected bike lanes, shared-use paths, bus lanes, roundabouts, or other design elements. Adopting a Complete Streets Policy formalizes a community's intent to plan, design, develop, redevelop, and maintain roads that work for all residents.

Description: This activity will provide communities with the best practices, design guidance, and planning tools necessary to write and implement a Complete Streets Policy. Completion of this activity should result in the development of a Complete Streets Policy that the community then ushers through the adoption process.

Examples of past services:
➢ *City of Delaware Complete Streets Policy*
➢ *City of Worthington Complete Streets Policy*

Anticipated Services:
- Review of existing legislation, standards, and guidance, as applicable
    o Local agency will compile all local plans and relevant materials
    o MORPC will review materials and outline where improvements can be made regarding design & implementation of Complete Streets
- Research and presentation of best practices for Complete Streets
    o MORPC staff will provide presentation materials describing the benefits and general best practices related to Complete Streets
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
    o Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    o MORPC staff will lead workshops to discuss opportunities for improving design and implementation of Complete Streets in the community
- Attend up to two (2) public workshops hosted/led by member local government
    o MORPC staff will provide support for local agency, should they decide to host any additional workshops or meetings

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Draft *Complete Streets Policy* (formal policy to be passed through City Council, Township Board of Trustees, or County Commissioners as a resolution or ordinance)
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation

1. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

b. Transit Supportive Infrastructure Planning

Background: *The insight2050 Corridor Concepts study identified key strategies for building truly transit-supportive corridors and transit-oriented development. As new initiatives like LinkUS work to implement recommendations from the Corridor Concepts study, it will be important for all communities in the region to identify where infrastructure improvements are needed in order to better connect people along priority regional transit corridors to the transit services.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to understand key characteristics for providing safe pedestrian and bicyclist access to transit and identify issues and opportunities for improving access to key transit services. Completion of this activity should lead to a feasibility study or application for funding to design and/or implement the identified facilities.*

Anticipated Services:
- Review existing plans and projects
  - Local agency will compile all local plans and proposed projects
  - MORPC will review plans and proposed projects to establish working base map
- Data development and analysis
  - MORPC staff will conduct data analysis as necessary for assessing issues and opportunities related to accessing transit
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
  - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
  - MORPC staff will lead workshops to review existing conditions and discuss potential improvements
- Finalize priority connections and transit access improvements
  - MORPC staff will conduct any final data analysis, as necessary
  - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft map of potential transit access improvements

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation including:
  - Priority connections and any relevant opportunities/constraints
  - Relevant best practices and resources
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation

2. CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS VISIONING

a. Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement

Background: *The Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Vision establishes a vision for the future network of regionally significant trail facilities in Central Ohio. Many of the proposed facilities were originally identified along river corridors or constrained roadways but may be more feasible along different routes. Additional trails may also be worth consideration for designation in the COG Vision as regionally significant.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to review the COG Vision in detail within their jurisdiction to refine the proposed trail facilities and develop a strategy for prioritizing and implementing those proposed facilities. Completion of this activity should lead to a feasibility study or application for funding to design and/or implement the identified facilities.*

Examples of past services:

➢ *Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks – Scioto Trail Southern Extension*

Anticipated Services:
- Review existing plans and projects
    - Local agency will compile all local plans and proposed projects
    - MORPC will review plans, proposed projects, and COG Vision to establish working base map for refinement
- Data development and analysis
    - MORPC staff will conduct data analysis as necessary to identify potential routes
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
    - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    - MORPC staff will lead workshops to review existing plans, identify alternatives, and develop strategies for implementation
- Finalize potential route options and implementation strategies
    - MORPC staff will conduct any final data analysis, as necessary
    - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into summary of potential COG routes and related recommendations

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation including:
    - Potential routes and any relevant opportunities/constraints
    - Recommended network connections and access points
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation

2. CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS VISIONING

b. Trail Access Improvements Planning

Background: The recently completed Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Trail Prioritization study identified critical gaps in access to the regional trail network within Franklin County. The COG Trail Prioritization study and Active Transportation Plan (ATP) can both be used to guide assessment of trail access, as well as the level of stress associated with existing trail access, and identification of new/improved connections to trails in any community.

Description: This activity will review trail accessibility in any community to identify potential improvements. Completion of this activity should lead to a temporary demonstration or pilot project along an identified connection, and/or an application for funding to design and/or implement the identified access improvements.

Examples of past services:
  ➢ *City of Columbus Downtown and Near-East Side Trail Access and Connectivity*
  ➢ *City of Dublin Regional Trail Network Connectivity*
  ➢ *City of Sunbury Ohio to Erie Trail Access and Connectivity*

Anticipated Services:
- Review existing plans and projects
    o Local agency will compile all local plans and proposed projects
    o MORPC will review plans, proposed projects, and COG Vision to establish working base map for assessing trail access conditions
- Data development and analysis
    o MORPC staff will conduct data analysis as necessary to identify locations and options for improvements
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
    o Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    o MORPC staff will lead workshops to review existing conditions and discuss potential improvements
- Finalize priority on-street connections and trail access improvements
    o MORPC staff will conduct any final data analysis, as necessary
    o MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft map of potential trail access improvements

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation including:
    o Priority connections and any relevant opportunities/constraints
    o Recommended design criteria and considerations
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation
- Guidance for implementing a pilot project to demonstrate potential connection or access improvement

3. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

a. Safety Action Plan Development

Background: *The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) established the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) discretionary program with $5 billion in appropriated funds over the next 5 years. The focus of this grant is addressing roadway safety through the reduction and/or elimination of roadway fatalities and serious injuries. In fiscal year 2022 (FY22), up to $1 billion was available for two different types of grants: Action Plan grants and Implementation grants. In order to be eligible for the Implementation grants, the applicant must have a qualifying Action Plan already in place.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to conduct a planning process to develop an Action Plan that meets the SS4A grant requirements. Completion of this activity should lead to adoption of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, as well as an application for an SS4A Implementation Grant.*

Anticipated Services:
- Establish a local task force, steering committee, or implementation group
  - Local agency will identify priority stakeholders to include
- Existing conditions analysis
  - MORPC staff will conduct analysis of crash data to identify key crash types and factors as well as priority safety locations within the community
- Lead up to two (2) workshop for staff, stakeholders, or public
  - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
  - MORPC staff will lead workshop to discuss existing conditions and action plan development
- Identify comprehensive set of strategies and action items to address safety problems
  - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft of action plan

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Comprehensive Safety Action Plan that meets SS4A grant requirements

3. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

b. Complete Streets Safety Audit

Background: *The Central Ohio Transportation Safety Plan released in 2019 identified pedestrians and bicyclists as the most vulnerable users on our regional transportation system. The update to the regional Active Transportation Plan further analyzed crashes involving people walking and bicycling and identified key factors in many of those crashes.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to review crashes involving people walking and bicycling to identify priority location(s) to conduct a detailed audit to determine appropriate improvements for that location. Completion of this activity should lead to a temporary demonstration project or low-cost safety improvements, and an application for funding to design and implement permanent safety improvements.*

Anticipated Services:
- Review crashes involving people walking and bicycling within the jurisdiction
    - MORPC staff will conduct analysis of crash data to identify priority location(s) within the community
- Conduct a walk audit of priority location(s)
    - Local agency will identify key stakeholders and coordinate invitations
    - MORPC staff will lead formal walk audit with key stakeholders
- Lead a workshop for staff, stakeholders, or public
    - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    - MORPC staff will lead workshop to discuss identified safety challenges and potential safety improvements
- Identify priority safety improvements
    - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft map of potential safety improvements

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation including:
    - Priority safety locations
    - Recommended safety improvements
- Guidance for implementing a pilot project to demonstrate recommended safety improvement(s)
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation

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3. BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

c. Systemic Safety Analysis

Background: *In January 2022, ODOT's [Highway Safety Improvement Program](#) (HSIP) began accepting funding applications for projects that focus on preventing pedestrian crashes through systemic infrastructure improvements. Systemic improvements are meant to be proactive and widely implemented based on roadway features that have been associated with specific crash types. FHWA has identified a range of proven countermeasures that prevent pedestrian crashes, and ODOT wants to encourage project applications that focus on the implementation of these improvements.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to review pedestrian crashes within their jurisdiction and prioritize potential locations for implementation of specific countermeasures. Completion of this activity should lead to either installation of, or an application for funding to implement, the recommended countermeasures.*

Anticipated Services:
- Review crashes involving pedestrians within the jurisdiction
  - MORPC staff will conduct analysis of crash data to understand key contributing factors and roadway characteristics
- Conduct a walk audit of key locations
  - Local agency will identify key stakeholders and coordinate invitations
  - MORPC staff will lead formal walk audit with key stakeholders
- Lead a workshop for staff, stakeholders, or public
  - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
  - MORPC staff will lead workshop to discuss identified safety challenges and potential safety improvements
- Identify priority safety improvements
  - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into a final list of prioritized locations and preferred countermeasures

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation for submittal as part of funding application, or inclusion in a local capital budget, including:
  - Map of prioritized locations
  - List of preferred countermeasures with cost estimates
  - Relevant safety metrics for each location

4. LAND USE PLANNING

a. **Conceptual Development Framework**

Background: *As we prepare for the growth projected for the Central Ohio region, many communities are exploring the potential to implement more compact development, increase housing options, and accommodate more modes of transportation. Establishing a clear vision for strategic locations within individual communities can help to address this.*

Description: *This activity will allow a community to identify the most relevant best practices and development principles for a particular site or strategic location that will help to set the stage for a future development plan. Completion of this activity should result in establishing a vision and the planning and design principles that future development at an identified site will follow.*

Examples of past services:
> *City of Hilliard Cemetery Road Conceptual Development Framework*
> *Jefferson Township Blacklick Station Conceptual Development Framework*
> *City of Westerville Brooksedge Office Park Redevelopment Framework*
> *Violet Township Community Center Development Framework*

Anticipated Services:
- Review existing plans and policies relevant to the selected site
    - Local agency will compile all local plans and relevant materials
    - MORPC will review materials and provide summary of relevant highlights
- Existing conditions analysis
    - MORPC staff will review available data for the selected site to develop working base map and identify challenges/opportunities
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
    - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    - MORPC staff will lead workshops to provide overview of study, existing conditions and plans, and relevant best practices
- Identify potential opportunities for implementation in the community
    - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft of potential options

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Conceptual Development Framework including:
    - Identified opportunities
    - Relevant best practices
    - Key development principles
    - Potential next steps for implementation

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4. LAND USE PLANNING

b. **Transit Oriented Development Planning**

Background: The insight2050 Corridor Concepts study identified key strategies for building truly transit-supportive corridors and transit-oriented development. As new initiatives like LinkUS work to implement recommendations from the Corridor Concepts study, it will be important for all communities in the region to identify opportunities to further the goals of insight2050.

Description: This activity will allow a community to assess local policies and codes and identify where improvements can be made to provide more opportunity for transit-supportive development. Completion of this activity could result in potential policy or code updates, or a site-specific strategy for transit-oriented development.

Anticipated Services:
- Review existing plans and policies, and/or site conditions
    - Local agency will compile all local plans and relevant materials
    - MORPC will review materials and outline where improvements can be made regarding design & implementation of transit oriented development
- Lead up to two (2) workshops for staff, stakeholders, or public
    - Local agency will identify priority groups to meet with and coordinate invitations
    - MORPC staff will lead workshops to discuss priorities and challenges related to transit oriented development
- Identify potential best practices for implementation in the community
    - MORPC staff will consolidate input from all parties into final draft of potential options

Anticipated Deliverables:
- Technical documentation including:
    - Potential best practices for implementation
- Strategy document identifying next steps and implementation

5. OTHER

Parameters for "Other" Activity Type

Description: *If a community is interested in applying for a project that differs from the project types outlined above, the application must include a detailed scope that aligns with the parameters specified below.*

- Technical assistance should focus on moving from plan/concept to implementation.
- Activity should align with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Active Transportation Plan (ATP), or Central Ohio Greenways Vision.
- Applicant must provide a detailed scope of work.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

The following criteria must be met in order to be considered eligible for the MORPC TA Program:

- The applicant is a local government or MORPC member within the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) boundary.
- Services requested are within the scope of services offered or within the scope of the TA Program and/or MORPC staff expertise.
- Application must be complete (including signed letter of commitment).
- Application must be received prior to the application deadline.

If an applicant selected for technical assistance cannot be initiated for any reason, at no fault of MORPC, the applicant must withdraw the application from the application pool and forfeit its award of technical assistance. Applications may be resubmitted for consideration in the next application cycle.

If an applicant selected for technical assistance fails to complete the selected activity within the expected six to nine month timeframe, the member community engaged in the program may be asked to provide one or more of the following:

- Documentation explaining why the activity failed to be completed within the given timeframe
- Agreement extension executed by member community and MORPC

APPLICATION PROCESS

All eligible MORPC members are invited to submit an application for the 2023 TA Program cycle. The application will be available to all eligible members beginning on November 10, 2022. **Program applications must be submitted to MORPC by 5:00 PM Eastern Time on Friday, December 9, 2022**.

The application consists of application criteria and required documentation. An evaluation committee will assess completed applications based on the criteria outlined below and further described on *pages 21-22* of this document.

Application criteria – Applications will be scored based on the application criteria listed in the table below. The highest-scoring application will be the first selected to receive technical assistance; the next highest-scoring eligible application will be the second selected to receive technical assistance; and so on until budget is exhausted or until all eligible applications have been awarded. It is possible that not all applications will be awarded technical assistance.

Application Criteria	Points
Community Objectives	25
MTP Strategies	20
Implementing Regional Priorities	20
Equity Considerations	15
Local Commitment and Collaboration	10
Leveraging Investment	10
TOTAL	**100**

Required documentation – Applicant communities must submit a signed letter of commitment from the local governments' elected officials or department director as part of their application.

The required documentation must be submitted to MORPC no later than the application deadline of 5:00 PM Eastern Time on Friday, December 9, 2022.

APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITIES

As part of the applicant commitment to receiving technical assistance services from MORPC, the following requirements will apply:

- Designation of staff time commitment and staff member as Project Manager
- Provision of any relevant data or materials that MORPC does not already have
- Regularly scheduled (bi-weekly preferred) check-ins with MORPC staff
- Identification of and regular communications with appropriate community stakeholders
- Participation from all departments within the local agency relevant to the project
- Consistent and timely review of all project materials submitted

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The application for the 2023 TA Program cycle will be made available on **Monday, November 10, 2022**. All members interested in applying for technical assistance through the TA Program must submit an application by **5:00 PM Eastern Time on Friday, December 9, 2022**.

The application will consist of the following:

1) **Applicant Information**
   a) MORPC Member
   b) Project Manager
   c) Phone Number
   d) Email Address
   e) Mailing Address

2) **Activity Type**
   Please select a Technical Assistance activity from the drop-down list.

3) **Preferred Scope of Work**
   Please submit your preferred scope of work, including an estimated schedule, for the selected activity type.

4) **Staff Commitment**
   Based on the identified scope of work and estimated activity schedule, how many person hours (per week, per month, or total) does the applicant intend to commit to the activity?

5) **Community Objectives** (25 points) (500 word maximum)
   Please describe the significance of the proposed activity. What are the objectives and what is the perceived benefit to the community? How will an award of technical assistance through the TA Program improve the activity?

6) **MTP Strategies** (20 points) (500 word maximum)
   Please indicate how the selected activity will advance specific strategies from the MTP focused on improving active transportation and transit infrastructure. Your response should address at least two (2) and up to five (5) of the most applicable strategies. Refer to the Program Purpose on page 3 for the specific strategies.

7) **Implementing Regional Priorities** (20 points) (500 word maximum)
   Please describe how the selected activity will help to implement project(s) in alignment with the MTP, ATP, or COG Vision.

8) **Equity Considerations** (15 points) (500 word maximum)
   Please describe how the selected activity will address transportation needs of transportation disadvantaged and/or underserved populations within your community.

   Transportation disadvantaged or underserved populations may include:
   - Low-income
   - Minorities
   - Senior Citizens
   - Veterans
   - Children / Minors
   - Persons with mental / physical disabilities
   - College Students
   - Or other groups that are often (unintentionally) excluded from planning processes

9) **Local Commitment and Collaboration** (10 points) (500 word maximum)
   To be awarded assistance through the TA Program, communities must commit to designating a community staff person as Project Manager.

   Above and beyond this minimum requirement, please indicate how the selected activity will engage relevant community stakeholders – for example: interdepartmental staff, elected officials, school district representatives, civic associations, chambers of commerce, or advocacy groups – to participate in the technical assistance process? Identify potential stakeholders below and describe how their involvement would increase the success of the activity. Examples may include in-kind commitments of stakeholder staff time and resources, demonstrated public-private collaboration, committee participation, etc.

10) **Leveraging Investment** (10 points) (500 word maximum)
    How will MORPC technical assistance services be leveraged to implement active transportation and transit infrastructure?

11) **Required Documentation**
    To ensure elected community leaders and/or department directors recognize that staff are requesting technical assistance through the MORPC TA Program, a letter of commitment signed by a local leader or department director must accompany the application. No points are awarded for required documentation, however, failure to submit will result in the application being ineligible. Required documentation must be submitted to MORPC no later than the application deadline of **5:00 PM Eastern Time on Friday, December 9, 2022**.

Application Checklist & Timeline

- ☐ ***Optional for all applicants*** – Participate in a MORPC TA Program informational webinar on **Tuesday, November 15, 2022** for more details about the program and application process

- ☐ ***Required for all applicants*** – Submit an application and required documentation by **5:00 PM Eastern Time on Friday, December 9, 2022**.

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Central Ohio, the MTP identifies strategies to advance the following six goals:*

- Position central Ohio to attract and retain economic opportunity to prosper as a region and compete globally.

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- Provide transportation and mobility options to benefit the health, safety, and welfare of all people.

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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
                Transportation Advisory Committee
                Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: October 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-15-22: **"ADOPTING GOALS FOR THE 2024-2050
                COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN TRANS-PORTATION PLAN"**

The attached resolution adopts goals to be used in developing the 2024-2050 Columbus Area
Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The MTP is the federally required, long-range, regional
transportation plan, updated by MORPC every four years. The goals are six statements upon
which the MTP will be developed. The goals are meant to address broad regional issues that
can be impacted through a wide range of transportation strategies and projects.

The proposed goals were carried forward, with small modifications, to be consistent with those
of the currently adopted 2020-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan as well as other regional
plans and initiatives recently completed and underway by MORPC and regional partners. They
are also consistent with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA or BIL), the federal
transportation legislation, and regulations with which MORPC's transportation planning must
comply. The proposed goals were presented during the October 2022 committee meetings and
were made available for public review and comment from October 4 through November 4, 2022.

These goals will be used for developing objectives to measure how the region is achieving the
adopted goals, as well as for developing criteria for evaluating strategies and projects to be
included in the MTP. The measurable objectives and the criteria will be brought before the
Transportation Policy Committee for approval over the next few months.

Attachment: Resolution T-15-22

RESOLUTION T-15-22

"ADOPTING GOALS FOR THE 2024-2050 COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN TRANS-PORTATION PLAN"

WHEREAS, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is designated as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) by the governor acting through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and in cooperation with locally elected officials; and

WHEREAS, MORPC is developing the federally required, long-range, regional transportation plan for the MPO area that will include goals, shown in the attachment, that will guide regional transportation strategies and projects; and

WHEREAS, the goals are consistent with other MORPC regional planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the goals are consistent with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA or BIL), the federal transportation legislation with which MORPC's transportation planning must comply; and

WHEREAS, IIJA requires a performance-based transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the goals will be used for developing measurable objectives in accordance with IIJA to measure how the region is achieving the adopted goals; and

WHEREAS, the goals were distributed for public and member review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its November 2, 2022 meeting recommended approval of these goals; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE **MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:**

Section 1.   That it adopts the 2024-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan goals as shown in the attachment.

Section 2.   That it directs staff to develop measurable objectives for the 2024-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan goals consistent with IIJA.

Section 3.   That it directs staff to develop a process to evaluate strategies and candidate projects for inclusion in the MTP based on advancing the goals and meeting the objectives.

Section 4.   That it directs staff to bring the measurable objectives and evaluation process, once developed, to the Transportation Policy Committee for approval.

Section 5.   That this Committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this Committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Committee.

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Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Date

Prepared by: Programming Department Staff

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Commission Members Present In Person

Barry Adler	Jennifer Gallagher	Eric Richter
Chris Amorose Groomes	Tom Homan	Brent Russell
Karen Angelou	Erik Janas	Michael Schadek
Joe Antram	David Kell	David Scheffler
Herb Asher	Ben Kessler	Jim Schimmer
Beth Beatty	Greg Lestini	Elissa Schneider
Franklin Christman	Kim Maggard	Kent Shafer
Ben Collins	Glenn Marzluf	Sloan Spalding
Karl Craven	Rory McGuiness	Ike Stage
Brad Ebersole	Rozland McKee	Joe Stefanov
Sam Filkins	Eric Meyer	Nancy White
Cindi Fitzpatrick	Megan O'Callaghan	

Commission Members Attending Remotely

Mike Anderson	Matt Greeson	Bonnie Michael
Susan Brobst	Chris Harkness	Bill Narducci
Ron Bullard	Pam Hykes O'Grady	Eric Phillips
Tina Cottone	Laurie Jadwin	Brent Welch for
Joy Davis	James Jewell	Cornell Robertson
Terry Emery	Steve Mazer	Kenneth Wright

Transportation Policy Committee Members Present In Person
Kim Sharp   Thom Slack

Transportation Policy Committee Members Attending Remotely
LaGrieta Acheampong   Kristen Easterday

Associate Members Attending In Person
James Sotlar

Associate Members Attending Remotely
Kristin Sutton

MORPC Staff Present in Person

Kerstin Carr	Níel Jurist	Shari Saunders
Andrea Doolittle	Eileen Leuby	Robin Underwood
Thea Ewing	William Murdock	Brandi Whetstone
Brian Filiatraut	Adam Porr	Robert Williams
Joe Garrity	Kyle Probert	
Shawn Hufstedler	Chuck Ratliff	

MORPC Staff Attending Remotely

Mary Ann Frantz	Ralonda Hampton	Grant Lach
Amanda Frey	Kenneth Harvey	Jennifer Noll
Preston Frick	Jon Heider	Anabel Pederson
John Gardocki	Lynn Kaufman	Anthony Perry
Nick Gill	Prince Kwarteng-Crooklyn	

Guests Present in Person

Jamie Brucker, Morrow County	Tamara Howard, Charter Communications
Phyllica Faieta, City of Lancaster	Adrienne Joly, City of New Albany

Kasey Kist, City of New Albany
Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter

Pete Vail, City of Lancaster
Anna van der Zwaag, City of New Albany

Guests Attending Remotely
Mike Andrako, FCEO
Jennifer Delgado, City of Dublin

Andy Shifflette, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter
Sean Staneart, City of Johnstown

Meeting Called to Order – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair
Chair Erik Janas called the Commission meeting to order at 1:33 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Recognition of Guests – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer
Eileen Leuby welcomed the following guests: Kasey Kist, City of New Albany; Adrienne Joly, City of New Albany; Anna van der Zwaag, City of New Albany; Pete Vail, City of Lancaster; Phyllica Faieta, City of Lancaster; Jamie Brucker, Morrow County; and Tamara Howard, Charter Communications.

Executive Director's Report – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director
William Murdock shared some of the things MORPC has been busy with. Mr. Murdock was in five counties in the last five weeks. MORPC held the Intel Forum, led the Regional Collaboration meeting, participated in media interviews, attended COMMA and the International Real Estate Managers Group; and hosted ODOT for their two-day conference for the state RTPOs. Mr. Murdock is proud of the work and the MORPC Team.

Mr. Murdock thanked Tom Homan and so many others responsible for pulling off the ICMA Annual Conference in September. Tom Homan thanked everyone in the room. The conference was a tremendous success and they received outstanding feedback.

MORPC is laser focused on making certain your community gets back more than it gives. The annual Return on Investment letters, focusing on returning value to communities, are coming in the next few weeks. The letters look at each community individually.

Mr. Murdock thanked the 38 communities that participated in the [2022 Annual Salary and Fringe Benefit Survey](#) which was issued September 30. Mr. Murdock thanked Shawn Hufstedler, Andrea Doolittle and their Team for pulling the survey together.

The next step for our Minority Business Strategy is to be more deeply engaged with the community. Níel Jurist and Ralonda Hampton are putting together a solid strategy to do so and are willing to share with anyone interested. It will be available on MORPC's website soon.

The Summit on Sustainability is tomorrow. Many of your community staff members are presenting on work being done in your communities to the 538 registrants.

October is National Pedestrian Safety Month. MORPC tracks the statistics and works on policies and funding around this. Thousands of pedestrians are killed each year. In 2020 alone, 6,500 people were killed while walking; that's 17 percent of all traffic fatalities.

Upcoming Events:
- Rural Forum Series: Hometown Revitalizations Happen Here – October 27, Bellefontaine
- Inventive Recruiting & Retention Post Pandemic – November 3

- Intel Planning Mobility – November 17
- Regional Collaboration Southeast Area – November 29, Fairfield County Workforce Center

The suggested date for trick or treat this year is October 31.

Every year MORPC picks a newly retired employee to honor by sponsoring an internship in their name for a MORPC member community. This year's honoree is Steve Garnack, a champion for housing who served on our Residential Services Team. MORPC employees raise the money through the Charitable Gift Campaign. The intern will be placed in a community as part of next summer's program.

Mr. Murdock congratulated Shawn Hufstedler who was elected President of the Ohio Government Finance Officers Association.

Each month this fall Mr. Murdock highlights one of the pillars of MORPC's Strategic Framework. Today he is focusing on Pay It Forward. MORPC believes in public service and in lifting up public servants across the region. Developing talent is one of the key areas in this strategy. MORPC has partnerships with four universities offering direct benefits to all MORPC member employees. We are already planning for next year's summer internship program. Since the program began, we have placed 160 students into 30 local governments across Central Ohio. Last year 31 students participated with 33 percent from diverse backgrounds. Every intern has a MORPC mentor.

This year we are launching a new community partnership with the King Arts Complex to create an incubator program targeting non-traditional students to do contractor work. This can feed our programs and other nonprofits with much needed talent.

Proposed Resolution 14-22 – "Establishing population estimates as a basis for 2023 annual participation fees to be assessed members" – Kerstin Carr, MORPC Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning
Kerstin Carr presented the 2022 Population Estimates. Draft estimates were sent to communities for review a few weeks ago. Since last year, about 5,000 people were added to the region within MORPC member communities. Since the 2020 Census, we've added close to 15,000 people. While the overall growth is slower than experienced in the previous decade, periods of faster or slower growth are part of the normal cycle of the long-term growth in our region. The slow growth is due to several factors including abnormally low birth rates and in-migration and abnormally high death rates: all due in part to the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our Team is updating long-term population forecasts, especially for the short- and mid-term. We still expect continued growth to a region of three million residents by 2050, but we assume that we might see higher upticks in growth in the next five to ten years due to the economic development opportunities driven by Intel Ohio.

Dr. Carr recognized Data & Research Officer Adam Porr, Ethan Hug and Sam McLaughlin for their work on this project.

Joe Stefanov made a motion to approve Resolution 14-22, second by Greg Lestini; motion passed.

Committees

Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

Thea Ewing gave the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO) report on behalf of CORPO Chair Mark Forrest. CORPO includes Fairfield, Knox, Madison, Morrow, and Union Counties. Marion and Pickaway Counties participate but are not CORPO members. MORPC met with all the counties. The meetings also act as rural consultations with ODOT. MORPC is planning for the State Transportation Improvement Program for both the MPO and CORPO. In September, MORPC Team Members assisted in the application for a Safe Streets for All grant under the bipartisan infrastructure law. The application included CORPO counties. The next full CORPO meeting is November 7.

Regional Policy Roundtable – David Scheffler (City of Lancaster), Regional Policy Roundtable Chair

David Scheffler presented the [Regional Policy Roundtable Update](#). The 2023-2024 Public Policy Agenda Working Group, chaired by Lourdes Barroso de Padilla, met twice to review the previous Public Policy Agenda and update the lead goals. The next working group meeting is November 4. The next Regional Policy Roundtable meeting is November 15. The Roundtable will review the draft 2023-2024 Public Policy Agenda and move it forward to the Commission for approval in December.

- **Legislative Update – Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joseph Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Engagement**
  Joe Garrity and Steve Tugend gave the legislative update highlighting the following:
  - Policy Breakout Session at the Summit on Sustainability
  - Federal Appropriations
  - Central Ohio Defense Group
  - Upcoming Election
  - Lame Duck Session

  Mr. Tugend was asked about and will follow-up on the national data transparency act. A question was also asked if MORPC can do anything to help restore the local government fund.

  See the [October 2022 Monthly Legislative Update](#) for other legislative news.

Sustainability Advisory Committee – Ben Kessler (City of Bexley), Sustainability Advisory Committee Chair

Ben Kessler presented the [Sustainability Advisory Committee Report](#) and encouraged members to attend the Summit on Sustainability. The Sustainability Advisory Committee met September 29 and heard updates on the Intel Regional Growth & Sustainability Forum, RAPID 5, and the Regional Schools Energy Strategy (or ReSES). The Committee approved the proposed Sustainable2050 Tier Status Certification for the City of New Albany and voted to award Sustainable2050 members with two additional points toward their certification for establishing a Sustainability Advisory Committee or Green Team. The next meeting is December 14.

The Regional Schools Energy Strategy (ReSES) program focuses on bringing together school districts and local governments to develop clean energy solutions in their communities. The current focus is to pool together school districts and local governments interested in going solar into a solar co-op. Contact Brian Filiatraut for more information.

If you are interested in applying for the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, we encourage applicants to submit preliminary screeners to get feedback from the Natural Resources Assistance Council prior to submitting final applications. The deadline for preliminary screener applications is December 9. Screener applications are available on our website. Final applications are due March 10, 2023. Contact Edwina Teye for more information.

- **Sustainable2050 Recognition – Brandi Whetstone, MORPC Sustainability Officer**
  Brandi Whetstone presented the Sustainable2050 Recognition for the City of New Albany. Ms. Whetstone thanked City of New Albany Planner Anna van der Zwaag, the city's liaison during the process. New Albany is the 20th Sunstaible2050 member to achieve certification.

  The updated certification framework increased the number of actions required to meet the certification levels. The number of actions or strategies were nearly doubled. The Equity Plus designation is a new edition and is reached by earning ten diversity, equity, and inclusion points.

  The Engage New Albany Strategic Plan sets the stage for their sustainability work. The sustainability chapter highlights sustainability initiatives and recommendations. Earning 49 points for 41 completed activities, the City of New Albany achieved the Sustainble2050 Silver Certification. Ms. Whetstone presented New Albany with a street sign representing the certification.

Transportation Policy Committee – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair
Chair Janas called the Transportation Policy Committee Session to order at 2:30 p.m. The session adjourned at 2:41 p.m. Separate minutes are attached.

Commission Consent Agenda
Karen Angelou made a motion to approve the Commission Consent Agenda, second by Kim Maggard, motion passed.

Other Business
Chair Janas reminded members next month's meeting is Wednesday, November 9.

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

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Michelle Crandall, Secretary
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission