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

Thursday, March 10, 2022
1:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

- 1:30 p.m.
- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 2. Welcome and Introductions** – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair
 - **Nominating Committee Report** – Chris Amorose Grooms (City of Dublin), MORPC Secretary
 - **Recognition of Guests and New Members** – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer
 - 3. Executive Director’s Report** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director
 - **Intel Update** – Kerstin Carr, MORPC Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning and Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Karen J. Angelou
Chair

Erik J. Janas
Vice Chair

Chris Amorose Grooms
Secretary

4. **Proposed Resolution 04-22: “Accepting the City of Mount Vernon as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director
5. **Proposed Resolution 05-22: “Accepting Jackson Township (Franklin County) as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

Committees

6. **Regional Data Advisory Committee** – Brad Ebersole (Delaware County), Regional Data Advisory Committee Chair
7. **Regional Policy Roundtable** – David Scheffler (City of Lancaster), Regional Policy Roundtable Chair
 - a. **Legislative Update** – Andy Shifflette, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joe Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Relations
8. **Sustainability Advisory Committee** – Ben Kessler (City of Bexley), Sustainability Advisory Committee Chair
9. **Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair
 - a. **Call to Order** – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair
 - b. **Metropolitan Planning Organization Report**
 - Programming – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming
 - c. **Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda**
 - 1) Approval of **February 10, 2022 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**
 - 2) **Proposed Resolution T-3-22: “Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”**
 - d. **Adjourn Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair
10. **Commission Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of **February 10, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes**
 - b. Approval of Actions of the Transportation Policy Committee

11. Other Business

2:45 p.m. **12. Adjourn** – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair

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IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE.**

The next Commission Meeting is
Thursday, April 14, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Executive Committee
Officers and Board Members

FROM: Chris Amorose Grooms, Nominating Committee Chair

DATE: March 10, 2022

SUBJECT: **Nomination of Executive Committee Members**

Background:

In accordance with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Articles of Agreement, the Commission will be notified at least five (5) days prior to the Annual Meeting as to the nominees for MORPC's Officers and Executive Committee members.

The Nominating Committee excerpt from the Articles is as follows:

"At least twenty (20) days prior to the annual meeting, the chair shall appoint the Nominating Committee. Said Nominating Committee having been duly appointed and confirmed shall, at least ten (10) days prior to the annual meeting of the COMMISSION, report the names of the candidates so nominated to the secretary. The secretary shall advise each member of the COMMISSION, in writing, at least five (5) days prior to the annual meeting as to the nominees so selected. At the annual meeting, the chair of the Nominating Committee shall report the names so nominated. After this report is presented, nominations from the floor shall be invited. Such nominations must be seconded. The secretary then shall prepare ballots properly identifying the nominees, said ballots shall be distributed and tallied during the annual meeting by a temporary committee appointed for that purpose."

The Nominating Committee Members:

As noted at the December 9, 2021 Commission meeting, Commission Chair Karen Angelou has appointed five members of the Nominating Committee.

- Chris Amorose Grooms, Committee Chair, City of Dublin
- Jeff Benton, Delaware County
- Mike Schadek, City of Columbus
- Franklin Christman, Village of Ashville
- Nancy White, Mifflin Township

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Rory McGuinness
Chair

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Secretary

Review of Current Members of Executive Committee:

Several Executive Committee positions do not have expiring terms this year and therefore require no action by the Nominating Committee. For information, these are listed below:

- 1) Immediate Past Chair:** Karen Angelou (2014), Council Member, City of Gahanna
 - 2) In second year of current two-year Executive Committee Term (expires 2023)**
 - a) Jeff Benton (2019), Commissioner, Delaware County
 - b) Jennifer Gallagher (2017), Director, Department of Public Service, City of Columbus
 - c) Erik Janas (2017), Deputy County Administrator, Franklin County
 - d) Nancy White (2017), Administrator, Mifflin Township
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Nominating Committee Recommendations:

The Nominating Committee convened on January 27, and made the following recommendations for Officer positions and Executive Committee positions, which will be reported at the March 10, 2022 Commission meeting and considered at the April 14, 2022 Commission meeting:

The nominees for Officers for one-year Officer Terms (expires 2023)

- **Chair:** Erik Janas, Deputy County Administrator, Franklin County
- **Vice-Chair:** Chris Amorose Groomes, Council Member, City of Dublin
- **Secretary:** Michelle Crandall, City Manager, City of Hilliard

The nominees for Executive Committee are:

1) For renewal of one-year Executive Committee Terms (expires 2023)

- a) Joe Stefanov (2008), Chair of Building Committee, City Manager, City of New Albany
- b) Karen Angelou (2014), Past Chair of MORPC, Council Member, City of Gahanna
- c) Kim Maggard (2015), Chair of Reserve & Investment Advisory Committee, Mayor, City of Whitehall
- d) Rory McGuinness (2012), Chair of Bylaws Committee, Deputy Director, City of Columbus

2) For renewal of two-year Executive Committee Terms (expires 2024):

- a) Michelle Crandall (2020), City Manager, City of Hilliard
 - b) David Scheffler (2020), Mayor, City of Lancaster
 - c) Greg Lestini (2018), Bricker & Eckler LLP, Attorney, Franklin County representative
 - d) Franklin Christman (2018), Administrator, Village of Ashville
 - e) Chris Amorose Groomes (2018), Council Member, City of Dublin
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Notes:

- 1) The year after each name refers to the first year of the member's current service on the Executive Committee. For example, Joe Smith (2017) means that Joe Smith's first term began in 2017 and he has served continuously since then.
- 2) Per the bylaws, Executive Committee members may serve up to three consecutive two-year terms. One-year extensions are available if serving as an officer or committee chair.



MORPC Monthly Agency Report

February 2022

Senior Directors

Kerstin Carr kcarr@morpc.org
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Joe Garrity kgarrity@morpc.org

Shawn Hufstedler shufstedler@morpc.org
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DRIVE INVESTMENT

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

The Columbus Region CEDS was approved by the Economic Development Administration (EDA) on February 1. EDA staff commended the CEDS for its targeted action plan and integration of the COVID-19 Policy Briefs. We will now move on to application for Economic Development District (EDD) designation.

Amtrak Advocacy

On March 1, Team Members met with Governor DeWine's legislative staff to provide an update on MORPC and the Columbus Partnership joint effort in working to bring passenger rail back to Central Ohio. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act includes the most funding for passenger rail since the beginning of Amtrak. MORPC encouraged the Governor's staff to create a Blue Ribbon Commission of infrastructure experts to work with the administration to deliberate over this once-in-a-generation opportunity.

State Capital Budget

MORPC is working closely with our Central Ohio General Assembly Delegation and regional partners to ensure the State Capital Budget bill maximizes economic and sustainable development opportunities for our region. March 18 is the deadline for capital requests to be submitted to legislative offices. The bill with new project funding is expected to pass in April, later than usual so that re-appropriations for agencies can be done first.

National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Conference & Federal Advocacy

In early February a group of MORPC Team Members and Executive Officers traveled to Washington DC for NARC's annual National Conference of Regions. This group of MORPC leaders shared critical updates on Amtrak, Infrastructure, Competitive Advantage Projects and more with Congressman Balderson, Congressman Carey, and members of staff from Senator Brown and Senator Portman's offices.

MORPC Team Members hosted Congressman Carey's staff at MORPC and visited Councilmember Chris Amorose Groomes in Dublin to discuss critical infrastructure projects in the region.

Central Ohio Defense Group

The Central Ohio Defense Group met February 4. This group is dedicated to elevating our region's unique defense assets. Staff will attend the Association of Defense Communities Conference March 7-9 and plan for a Defense Group fly-in May 10th.

Rapid Speed Transportation Initiative/Interregional Connections Committee

The Interregional Connections Committee determined their officer and bylaws and discussed planning priorities at their first meeting on February 23.

LinkUs Mobility Initiative

MORPC, the City of Columbus, and COTA continue to hold regional outreach discussions with the cities and townships in Franklin County regarding the LinkUS initiative.

FTA Section 5310 Designated Recipient

Team Members initiated the FTA TrAMs process for approval of the FFY 2021 CRRSAA and ARPA apportionments (COVID relief dollars) as approved by Commission. Vehicle delivery continues to be an issue with the ongoing chassis and computer chip shortages. Vendors cannot accurately provide delivery dates for the February 2021 order or for the upcoming order for the just-approved round of Section 5310 funding. Team Members are updating the Program Management Plan (PMP) to incorporate new procedures and policies per federal guidance.

CORPO

The CORPO Dedicated Funds Selection Committee met February 8 and recommended funding for six out of eight applications. A public comment period on the recommendations is open until March 14. The recommendations will be presented to the CORPO committee for approval at its March 21 meeting.

US 23 Connect Study

Phase 2 of the US 23 Connect Study concluded at the end of February. Information on the study is available at <https://publicinput.com/23connect>.

MORPC Attributable Funding

The Draft Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funding are open for public comment through March 18.

Clean Ohio Conservation Fund

Final applications for Round 16 of the Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund are due March 11. Applicant site visits are March 25.

Public Comment

Comment periods for the Transportation Improvement Program, Allocation of MORPC-Attributable Transportation Funding, and CORPO Proposed Transportation Projects were promoted via social media, www.morpc.org, and the monthly eSource e-newsletter.

PAY IT FORWARD

Events

Register today for MORPC's annual State of the Region on March 16 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. More details for the in-person event are available at www.morpc.org/sotr.

The recording of the final MORPC/Spectrum web-series, *Smart Cities: Leveraging Public and Private Partnerships* can be found on [MORPC's YouTube channel](#). More than 50 people attended the February 18 virtual forum.

Member Briefings and Visits:

- Regional Listening Session – Intel Announcement Event – February 24
- Regional Collaboration Northwest Area – February 1
- Board Member Lunch with Keynote Kenny McDonald – February 10
- Attended State of the City Upper Arlington – February 17
- One prospective member meeting
- Six member visits
- New member Board Orientations

Local Government Summer Internship Program

Accomplishments include:

- OSU Knowlton Career Fairs
 - February 24 in person
 - February 25 virtual
 - Two meet and greet sessions with MORPC Executive Director
- Screened and reviewed 60 summer intern program applicants

Educational Partners

The Ohio University Local Elected Officials Academy opened March 4.

CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR PROSPERITY

Technical Assistance Program

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 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) through implementation of specific MTP strategies focused on improving active transportation and transit infrastructure. Six applications for technical assistance were received for the 2022 program. The following requests were awarded:

- City of Columbus – Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement – east/west corridor connectivity assessment for downtown / Bronzeville
- City of Dublin – Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement – multi-jurisdictional trail connectivity assessment
- City of Sunbury – Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement – Ohio to Erie trail access and connectivity planning
- Franklin County Metro Parks – Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement – Scioto Trail extension planning

These four technical assistance activities will kick off in March and be completed before the end of the year. More information about the MORPC Technical Assistance Program can be found on the [program webpage](#).

Mobility Management

MORPC received resolutions of adoption for the Regional Mobility Plan from Fairfield, Fayette, Logan, Madison, Pickaway, and Union Counties as well as LCATS (representing Licking County) and MORPC (representing Franklin and Delaware Counties). Team Members finalized the plan and submitted the document to ODOT on February 11. The plan is available at morpc.org/mobilityplan.

Team Members met with the Regional Mobility Plan Steering Committee to discuss next steps. Engagement with stakeholders will continue regionally on a quarterly basis.

Team Members are developing a provider service area drawing tool for Ohio mobility managers to draw more precise polygons for the Gohio Mobility specialized search tool. MORPC will train Ohio mobility managers on how to use the tool.

Gohio Commute

Team Members developed a vanpool video highlighting the success story of Universal Veneer in Newark. They were able to stabilize their second shift by participating in the Gohio Commute Vanpool Program. The video is available on [YouTube](#).

MORPC and Central Ohio transportation partners are in the early stages of updating the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Strategic Plan. The plan encourages sustainable transportation behavior through campaigns and partnership programs.

MORPC is working with Central Ohio transportation partners and Central Ohio Greenways to collaborate on active transportation campaigns and events in April and May in connection with Bike Month and MORPC's TDM programming.

Regional Data Advisory Committee

The next Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC) meeting is March 2. Orientation was held for new RDAC members on January 27.

- The Capacity Building & Partnership Working Group is meeting in early March.
- The Local Government Resources Working Group met February 22.
- The Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy Working Group is collecting letters of intent.
- The Regional Information & Data Group (RIDG) Steering Committee met February 2 to prepare for the full RIDG User Group meeting on March 2.
- The Central Ohio GIS User Group (COGUG) met February 15.

Data Management

Team Members finalized and submitted a joint application with OSU Center for Urban and Regional Analysis (CURA) to join the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership (NNIP). If approved, this will provide opportunities for Team Members to discuss and learn from other similar community data intermediaries.

Team Members are working with communities to identify ways to more timely and efficiently share building permit data for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan process.

Diversity & Inclusion

In early February, MORPC partnered with the Franklin County Engineer's Office and the Conference of Minority Officials (COMTO) Columbus to present a Black History Month webinar, "*Black Excellence in Transportation.*" Panelists included Shannetta Griffin, Federal Aviation Administration; Director Jack Marchbanks, ODOT; Amy Hall, Ebony Construction; and Taj Bakare, CT Consultants. The webinar focused on the importance of diversity, equity & inclusion in the transportation field and in selecting future leaders. Over 200 individuals attended the event.

MORPC became a partner with New Growth Innovation Network's (NGIN) newly created Inclusive Recovery Initiative Community of Practice. The goal of the initiative is to create a network of economic development practitioners who will work together to find innovative solutions for inclusive COVID-19 recovery.

Team Members participated in the "*Normalizing Race Equity in Economic Development*" workshop led by the Partnership for Southern Equity (PSE). The workshop focused on helping leaders ensure that racial equity plays a key role in substantial economic development projects.

Transportation Safety

Team Members are working with Franklin County Public Health on the Complete Streets Safety Audits project. Three communities are participating in the project: City of Grove City, City of Reynoldsburg, and City of Whitehall. Walk audits have been scheduled with each community and will be conducted with city staff and local stakeholders to discuss opportunities and challenges related to walking and bicycling in key locations within each community. Staff from COTA, FCEO, and other relevant agencies have also been engaged to participate.

Team Members participated in multiple transportation safety committee meetings. Key updates include:

- Traffic fatalities in 2021 were up 10 percent compared to 2020; serious injuries also increased for the first time in many years. Overall vehicle volumes are still down 5-10 percent statewide compared to 2019.
- ODOT received more than \$80 million in requests for systemic safety project funding; it originally planned to distribute only \$30 million but will be looking to fund as many quality projects as possible. Most of the applications were from local agencies (only a few from ODOT district offices).

Active Transportation Planning

Team Members attended the February 16 ODOT Active Transportation Advisory Committee meeting. ODOT will be opening an application window in late February 2022 for consultant assistance to develop local active transportation plans. The assistance will focus on developing plans that identify specific active transportation projects for future implementation. Agencies interested in applying can reach out to Lauren Cardoni for more information at lcardoni@morpc.org.

The ODOT Multimodal Design Guide will be released in April. A series of virtual training sessions will be available to those interested in learning more.

Contact Laurent Cardoni for more information about the APBP monthly webinar series.

Sustainability Advisory Committee

The Sustainability Advisory Committee met February 16. Meeting materials are available [here](#).

Sustainable2050

The next meeting on March 18 focuses on waste reduction, composting, and recycling with a presentation from Kyle O'Keefe with SWACO. An excel workbook is available for members to achieve tier status

certification through an updated process that includes recognition for advancing Diversity, Equity & Inclusion. The technical assistance program for Sustainable2050 members is available through OSU's City and Regional Planning program and Sustainability Institute. Contact Brandi Whetstone with questions on how to join or achieve tier status certification at bwhetstone@morpc.org.

Central Ohio Greenways

The Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Board met January 19 and welcomed new Board Chair Mike Andrako. Meeting materials are available [here](#).

- The Trail Development Working Group is supporting a trail monitoring pilot project.
- The Marketing & Communications Working Group is advising MORPCs Trail Town Planning effort.
- The Operations & Access Working Group supported a wayfinding strategy application that was submitted for funding consideration to ODOT in January.
- The Partnership Working Group finalized an Impact of Trails Report which estimates a return on investment for the Regional Trail Vision.

Water Resources Program

The Sustaining Scioto Board met February 23 with Glenn Marzluf, General Manager and CEO of Del-Co Water, serving as chair. The meeting agenda is available [here](#).

The Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team meets March 17. MORPC Team Members will present logistical considerations and other programming alternatives focused on climate change adaptation and water quality in the Scioto Watershed.

Energy & Air Quality

The Energy & Air Quality Working met January 25. Meeting materials are available [here](#).

MORPC is continuing with SolSmart designations among members to streamline permitting and zoning to increase the ease of adopting solar. MORPC is also collaborating with the City of Columbus, Solar United Neighbors, IMPACT Community Action, and Simply Living to develop residential solar in the Greater Columbus region as part of the 2022 Rocky Mountain Institute Solarize cohort. MORPC continues developing its energy aggregation toolkit to advance more aggregation in the region focused on renewable energy and in-state generation.

The annual air quality report was released February 16. For the first time since record keeping began in 1980, no "Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups" Air Quality Index (AQI) days for ozone were observed. Other than wildfire smoke in July, overall, 85 percent of days for PM 2.5 were in the "Good" AQI category.

Regional Policy Roundtable

The Regional Policy Roundtable met February 22. Mayor David L. Scheffler of Lancaster now serves as Chair of the Roundtable and Councilmember Lourdes Barroso de Padilla now serves as Vice Chair.

WarmChoice® and HWAP Programs

Residential Services inspectors' schedules are staying full despite several deferrals due to previously weatherized homes and cancellations, as well as a low number of approved WarmChoice® applications. Deferrals are also slowing production.

HWAP production is steady on the front end and completions are beginning to increase. The team could use more HWAP standalones, as well as a faster increase in approved applicants.

Technical monitoring for the HWAP program is February 28 and March 8-10 for the WarmChoice® program.

Columbia Gas of Ohio approved a new pricing for Schedule A. The new price structure increases contractor pricing and should ease material cost concerns.

The Residential Services Team is awaiting a decision from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) on whether we are approved to use HHS funds toward the cost of the new Neighborly software system.

MORPC is purchasing an older re-conditioned full-size van for use by MORPC's in-house crew.

The Home Repair Program is now using our new funding source allowing us to remediate lead. We are waiting for additional updates on the Healthy Homes grant that was tentatively awarded to MORPC.

Team Members are creating a presentation to MORPC members who need assistance with affordable housing needs in their communities. MORPC will be promoting the opportunity for members to use MORPC for affordable housing consulting services.

BUILD VALUE FOR OUR MEMBERS

MORPC in the News

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

Excellence in Financial Reporting

MORPC received the Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction for excellence in financial reporting for fiscal year 2020.

Facility Update

The graphics, including wayfinding for conference rooms, have been installed throughout the building. Technology improvements to audio/visual capabilities continue in various meeting spaces.

Personnel Updates

The following new Team Members recently started at MORPC:

- Senior Planner Jonathan Miller began February 22
- Accounting Manager Alisa Obukhova began February 28

MORPC is currently recruiting for five (5) open positions:

- Grants Intern
- Director of Data & Geospatial Analysis
- Research & Data Officer
- Air Quality & Sustainability Coordinator
- Economic Development Director

The following are in the interviewing or offering stage, or onboarding soon:

- Energy Auditor
- Housing/Residential Rehab Specialist
- HR Director
- Programming Intern
- Programming Senior Planner
- Grants & Investment Officer
- Customer Service Specialist
- Rehab Technician
- Data Analyst
- Economic Development Planner

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:

- RFQ for Compact Cargo Van – closed February 23
- RFQ for HVAC Contractor for Residential Energy Program
- RFQ for Insulation Contractor for Residential Energy Program

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



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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Executive Committee
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FROM: William Murdock
Executive Director

DATE: March 4, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 04-22: **“Accepting the City of Mount Vernon as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”**

On February 28, 2022, the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon passed a resolution to join the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). This resolution accepts the City of Mount Vernon 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 Mount Vernon in the amount of \$5,644.

Attachment: Resolution 04-22

RESOLUTION 04-22

“Accepting the City of Mount Vernon as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”

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

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2022, the City Council of the City of Mount Vernon 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 Mount Vernon is accepted as a member of MORPC effective March 10, 2022.
- Section 2. That the Bylaws provide that two (2) representatives appointed by the City of Mount Vernon 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 (March 10, 2022) and assessed to the City of Mount Vernon for 2022 in the amount of \$5,644.
- Section 4. That the City of Mount Vernon 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.

Karen Angelou, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Resolution 04-22

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Effective date: March 10, 2022
Submitted by: William Murdock, Executive Director
Prepared by: Eileen Leuby, Membership Services Officer
Authority: Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date: March 10, 2022



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TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
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FROM: William Murdock
Executive Director

DATE: March 4, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 05-22: **“Accepting Jackson Township (Franklin County) as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”**

On March 1, 2022, the Board of Trustees for Jackson Township passed a resolution to join the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). This resolution accepts Jackson Township 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 Jackson Township in the amount of \$2,541.

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WHEREAS, Jackson Township 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, Jackson Township 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, Jackson Township will be assessed dues based on the 2021 population projections; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2022, the Board of Trustees for Jackson Township 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 Jackson Township is accepted as a member of MORPC effective March 10, 2022.
- Section 2. That the Bylaws provide that one (1) representative appointed by Jackson Township is eligible to serve as a voting member on their behalf at the MORPC Commission meetings.
- Section 3. That net dues will be pro-rated as of the date of membership (March 10, 2022) and assessed to Jackson Township for 2022 in the amount of \$2,541.
- Section 4. That Jackson Township shall be entitled to the same regular services of MORPC as are other members and that any special services will be purchased by the Township 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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For action date: March 10, 2022



**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 10, 2022
Time: 2:24 p.m.
Location: MORPC Town Hall

Transportation Policy Committee Members Present in Person

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Meeting Called to Order

Chair Karen Angelou called the Transportation Policy Committee Meeting to order at 2:24 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Report

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

Thea Ewing provided the [Metropolitan Planning Organization Report](#). Ms. Ewing noted two resolutions on the consent agenda. Resolution T-1-22 and Resolution 01-22 refer to the second contract for the Gohio platform which now services the entire state. Gohio is a tool to help guide people to carpool, vanpool, transit, and now includes mobility access for seniors. Resolution T-2-22 adopts the Regional Mobility Plan. The plan was presented to county commissioners for their authorization. MORPC Team Members Mary Ann Frantz and Lexi Petrella are the team leads.

MORPC's new Grants & Investment Officer starts March 7.

Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda

Laurie Jadwin made a motion to approve the Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda, second by Kim Maggard; motion passed.

The Transportation Policy Committee Meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Chris Amorose Groomes, Secretary
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission



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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Study Director

DATE: March 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-3-22: **“Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”**

Proposed Resolution T-3-22 will add or modify nine projects to the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with commitments totaling almost \$170 million. These changes are necessary to enable the projects to advance and to maintain fiscal constraint. In April, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will ask the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to amend the Statewide TIP to include these changes.

Continued maintenance of the TIP is a key element of implementing the strategies in the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation (MTP). The projects included in this amendment specifically relate to implementation of these MTP strategies:

- PRES 1: Repair or replace bridges in poor physical condition
- PRES 2: Repave or reconstruct roads in poor physical condition
- PRES 4: Replace transit vehicles that are beyond their useful life
- PRES 5: Repair or replace transit facilities in poor physical condition
- SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations
- OP 5: Improve connections and coordination among transit system operators
- TRAN 3: Implement high capacity transit service along additional corridors
- MULTI 2: Maximize efficiency of existing transit terminals and construct new transit terminals, mobility centers and park and rides with safe bike, pedestrian, and vehicle access where there is a convergence of transit routes or intercity rapid speed transportation modes
- RDWY 1: Add capacity, where appropriate, to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion along existing freeways and at interchanges

Attachment 1 to the resolution provides a description of the funding and scope of the projects, including a description of the bicycle and pedestrian components. Four projects include MORPC-attributable funding.

An explanation of the proposed changes to the TIP follows.

COTA - The following additions and modifications to the TIP are being made for COTA projects:

- Split the former High Capacity Transit East-West Corridor (PID 112116) into two projects – High Capacity Transit East Main Street Corridor (remains PID 112116) and

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Secretary

High Capacity Transit West Broad Street Corridor (PID 116500). MORPC's prior commitment of \$1.5 million will be divided equally between the two corridors.

- PID 112217 – Electric Charging Stations: Add \$1,600,000 of FTA Section 5307 funding and \$1,000,000 of COTA local funding.
- PID 114757 – Rickenbacker Mobility Center: Add \$825,000 of Section 5307 funding and modify COTA local funding. This project contains MORPC-attributable funding, but no changes are being made to MORPC commitments.
- PID 116001 - 2022 DERG Buses (PID 116001): Add project to the TIP.
- PID 116194 - Reynoldsburg Park and Ride: Modify scope to reflect renovation of an existing facility as opposed to new construction.

ODOT: - The following modifications to the TIP are being made for ODOT projects:

- PID 109164 – I-71 Bridge Maintenance: Move project from SLI Group list to Individual List.
- PID 92616 – I-270 (South Outerbelt) at US 23/Rathmell Rd. at US 23: Add PE DD phase in SFY 2022 and Construction phase in SFY 2023.

Upper Arlington - The following modification to the TIP is being made for an Upper Arlington project:

- PID 111991 – Fishinger Rd Reconstruction – Phase 2: Increase local funding in SFY 2024. This project contains MORPC-attributable funding, but no changes are being made to MORPC commitments.

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Attachment: Resolution T-3-22

RESOLUTION T-3-22

“Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) adopted the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) by Resolution T-7-20; and

WHEREAS, two project additions and four project modifications to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for Central Ohio Transit Agency projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, two project modifications to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for Ohio Department of Transportation projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, one project modification to the 2021-2024 TIP has been identified as needed for an Upper Arlington project as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, the projects are consistent with the transportation policies, plans, and programs, including the most recent Metropolitan Transportation Plan adopted by the Transportation Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, continued maintenance of the TIP implements the goals, objectives and strategies identified in MORPC’s 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, specifically these projects further implementation of strategies – PRES 1: Repair or replace bridges in poor physical condition, PRES 2: Repave or reconstruct roads in poor physical condition, PRES 4: Replace transit vehicles that are beyond their useful life, PRES 5: Repair or replace transit facilities in poor physical condition, SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations, OP 5: Improve connections and coordination among transit system operators, TRAN 3: Implement high capacity transit service along additional corridors, MULTI 2: Maximize efficiency of existing transit terminals and construct new transit terminals, mobility centers and park and rides with safe bike, pedestrian, and vehicle access where there is a convergence of transit routes or intercity rapid speed transportation modes, RDWY 1: Add capacity, where appropriate, to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion along existing freeways and at interchanges; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its meeting February 28, 2022, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on March 2, 2022, recommended approval of this resolution to the Transportation Policy Committee; now therefore

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

- Section 1. That the MORPC SFY 2021-2024 TIP be amended to include the project information as shown in Attachment 1.
- Section 2. That it affirms that the fiscal balance of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP is maintained.

- Section 3. That the determination of conformity between the TIP and the State Implementation Plan (SIP) is hereby reaffirmed, as the projects are exempt from conformity requirements or have been included in the most recent air quality conformity approval.
- Section 4. That it affirms that the amendment was developed in compliance with the transportation performance measures as described in Section 6 of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP as modified.
- Section 5. That this resolution will be transmitted to ODOT and all sponsoring agencies in Attachment 1 for appropriate action.
- Section 6. That the Transportation Policy 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.

Karen Angelou, Chair

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Transportation Staff

Attachment 1: Amended Project Information for the SFY 2021-2024 TIP

Resolution T-3-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 112116

TIP ID: 3736

MTP ID: 619

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA High Capacity Transit E Main St C **Length (mi.):**

Project Type(s): Transit Expansion Capital

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: COTA High Capacity Transit E Main St Corr, Transit Expansion Capital, East Main St Corridor Pre-Project Development, Development through Completion. Engineering & Design - Busway. ALI 11.21.01

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 2021 | Other | Local-Transit | \$20,000,000 | |
| 2022 | Other | STBG-S | \$2,200,000 | |
| 2022 | Other | Local-Transit | \$550,000 | |
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | STBG-M | \$750,000 | MORPC Funds - Cap Amount |
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | Local-Transit | \$475,000 | |
| 2023 | Other | FFY23 Sec 5307 | \$375,000 | |
| 2023 | Other | Local-Transit | \$1,125,000 | |
| 2024 | Other | FFY24 Sec 5307 | \$5,843,085 | |
| 2024 | Other | Local-Transit | \$38,518,418 | |
| | | | Total: | \$69,836,503 |

Agency: COTA

PID: 112217

TIP ID: 3755

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Electric Charging Stations-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Activity

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Electric Charging Stations, Transit Activity, Route Electrification. Acquisition - Misc. Elec/Power Equip. ALI 11.52.20

Bike Components: Not applicable.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 2021 | Other | Local-Transit | \$329,850 | |
| 2022 | Other | Sec 5307 | \$1,600,000 | |
| 2022 | Other | Local-Transit | \$500,000 | |
| 2023 | Other | Local-Transit | \$1,000,000 | |
| 2024 | Other | Local-Transit | \$500,000 | |
| | | | Total: | \$3,929,850 |

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Resolution T-3-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 114757

TIP ID: 3839

MTP ID: 1711

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Rickenbacker Mobility Center-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Activity

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Rickenbacker Mobility Center, Transit Activity, The Rickenbacker Area Mobility Center is envisioned as a hub connecting multiple rural, workforce, and urban transit systems. ALI 11.31.03 and 11.33.03

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

Ped Components: Transit shelters.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 2021 | Other | Local-Transit | \$1,000,000 | |
| 2022 | Construction | Sec 5307 | \$825,000 | |
| 2022 | Construction | STBG-M | \$3,375,000 | MORPC Funds - Cap Amount |
| 2022 | Construction | Local-Transit | \$4,800,000 | |
| Total: | | | \$10,000,000 | |

Agency: COTA

PID: 116001

TIP ID: 3891

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA 2022 DERG Buses-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Replacement Capital

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA 2022 DERG Buses, Transit Replacement Capital, Replace four model year 2009 diesel powered transit buses with four new CNG powered transit buses. ALI: 11.12.01.

Bike Components: Bicycle racks.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|--|
| 2022 | Other | DERG | \$1,966,240 | |
| 2022 | Other | Local-Transit | \$491,560 | |
| Total: | | | \$2,457,800 | |

Agency: COTA

PID: 116194

TIP ID: 3854

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Reynoldsburg Park and Ride-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Activity

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Reynoldsburg Park and Ride, Transit Activity, ALI: 11.33.04. Renovation to increase the parking capacity, create a building for operator restrooms and small break area, and create a long bus pull off that will accommodate current and future operations

Bike Components: Secure bicycle parking.

Ped Components: Replace existing facilities.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|--|
| 2023 | Other | FFY22 Sec 5339 | \$1,425,650 | |
| 2023 | Other | Local-Transit | \$1,024,350 | |
| 2024 | Other | Local-Transit | \$300,000 | |
| Total: | | | \$2,750,000 | |

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Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 116500

TIP ID: 3894

MTP ID: 988

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA High Capacity Transit W Broad St **Length (mi.):**

Project Type(s): Transit Expansion Capital

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: COTA High Capacity Transit W Broad St Corr, Transit Expansion Capital, West Broad St Corridor Pre-Project Development, Development through Completion. Engineering & Design - Busway. ALI 11.21.01

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | STBG-M | \$750,000 | MORPC Funds - Cap Amount |
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | Local-Transit | \$475,000 | |
| 2023 | Other | FFY23 Sec 5307 | \$375,000 | |
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| 2024 | Other | Local-Transit | \$38,518,418 | |
| | | | Total: | \$47,086,503 |

Agency: ODOT 6

PID: 109164

TIP ID: 3629

MTP ID: 203

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-IR071-19.10 (HSR)

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Bridge Maintenance Activities

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: I-71 from 5th Avenue to SR-161, Bridge Maintenance Activities, Project will create a Hard Shoulder Running Lane between 5th Ave and SR 161. Numerous bridges will be rehabilitated and the roadway will be resurfaced.

Bike Components: Not applicable.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 2022 | PE-Environmental Study | Preserv-Federal | \$450,000 | |
| 2022 | PE-Environmental Study | Major/New-S | \$600,000 | |
| 2022 | PE-Environmental Study | Major/New-F | \$2,400,000 | |
| 2022 | PE-Environmental Study | Preserv-State | \$50,000 | |
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | LABR-S | \$742,500 | |
| 2024 | PE-Detailed Design | Preserv-State | \$150,000 | |
| 2024 | PE-Detailed Design | Preserv-Federal | \$1,350,000 | |
| | | | Total: | \$5,742,500 |

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Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: ODOT 6

PID: 92616

TIP ID: 2872

MTP ID: NA

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-IR270-51.50

Length (mi.): 2.46

Project Type(s): Interchange Modification

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: I-270 (South Outerbelt) at US-23, Interchange Modification, Part 1: Reconfigure FRA IR270/US 23 interchange on south side of Columbus by removing loop ramps N & Q and providing turn lanes and signals on other ramps. Part 2: Upgrade US 23 at Rathmell Rd. (

Bike Components: Not applicable.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2022 | PE-Detailed Design | Major/New-S | \$340,912 |
| 2023 | Construction | LABR-F | \$1,053,591 |
| 2023 | Construction | LABR-S | \$323,589 |
| 2023 | Construction | Major/New-F | \$12,562,200 |
| 2023 | Construction | Major/New-S | \$1,395,800 |
| 2023 | Construction | Preserv-Federal | \$466,400 |
| 2023 | Construction | Preserv-State | \$116,600 |
| 2023 | Construction | State Safety | \$444,389 |
| 2023 | Construction | HSIP | \$3,999,497 |
| 2023 | Construction | J&C | \$279,114 |
| 2023 | Construction | Local | \$660,000 |
| Total: | | | \$21,642,092 |

Agency: Upper Arlington

PID: 111991

TIP ID: 3594

MTP ID: 1563

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-CR052-01.82

Length (mi.): 0.98

Project Type(s): Reconstruction/Sidewalks

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: Fishinger Rd from Riverside Dr to Mountview Rd, Reconstruction & Sidewalks, includes replacement of street lights and curb and gutter.

Bike Components: Bicycle signage. "Bikes May Use the Full Lane" signage will be installed. 0.98 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Sidewalk on 2 sides. Add 5' sidewalks on the south side and 8' sidewalks on the north side, replacing a few isolated segments. 1.96 mi. added to ped network.

| <u>State Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Phase</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 2021 | Right-of-Way | Local | \$100,000 |
| 2024 | Construction | STBG-M | \$3,337,415 |
| 2024 | Construction | Local | \$2,635,707 |
| Total: | | | \$6,073,122 |

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Summary of Funding Sources

| <u>Source</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Total Amount</u> |
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| DERG | Diesel Emmissions Reduction Grant | \$1,966,240 |
| FFY22 Sec 5339 | Transit Bus and Bus Facilities | \$1,425,650 |
| FFY23 Sec 5307 | Transit Formula Block Grants | \$750,000 |
| FFY24 Sec 5307 | Transit Formula Block Grants | \$11,686,170 |
| HSIP | Highway Safety Improvement Program | \$3,999,497 |
| J&C | State Jobs & Commerce Funds | \$279,114 |
| LABR-F | Labor - Federal | \$1,053,591 |
| LABR-S | Labor - State | \$1,066,089 |
| Local | Local Public Agency | \$3,395,707 |
| Local-Transit | Local Public Transit Authority | \$110,732,596 |
| Major/New-F | Major/New Program - Federal | \$14,962,200 |
| Major/New-S | Major/New Program - State | \$2,336,712 |
| Preserv-Federal | District Preservation (Pv & Br) - Federal | \$2,266,400 |
| Preserv-State | District Preservation (Pv & Br) - State | \$316,600 |
| Sec 5307 | Transit Formula Block Grants | \$2,425,000 |
| State Safety | State Safety | \$444,389 |
| STBG-M | Surface Transportation Block Grant, Attributable to MORPC | \$8,212,415 |
| STBG-S | Surface Transportation Block Grant, Attributable to the State | \$2,200,000 |
| Grand Total: | | \$169,518,370 |

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Meeting Called to Order – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair

Chair Karen Angelou called the Commission meeting to order at 1:33 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Angelou announced the 56th National Association of Regional Councils Annual Conference and Exhibition is June 12-15 in Columbus at the Downtown Hilton. This is the first time MORPC has been honored to host the national conference.

February is Black History Month in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom. The initial celebration, conceived in 1926 by historian Carter G. Woodson, was one week. Black History Month became officially recognized in 1976. In honor of Black History Month, Chair Angelou recognized former MORPC Chair Derrick Clay who was instrumental in the creation of MORPC's Diversity & Inclusion Work Plan. Thanks to his leadership, the plan continues to serve as a guide and references MORPC's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. Mr. Clay was honored and thankful for the recognition from Chair Angelou and the Commission.

Chair Angelou reaffirmed the appointment of Rory McGuinness as Chair of the Bylaws Committee.

Chair Angelou reported the Nominating Committee has started meeting. Let Chris Amorose Grooms or William Murdock know if you are interested in serving on the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee will consider any Executive Committee roster changes at their March 1 meeting.

Recognition of Guests – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer

Eileen Leuby welcomed new members and representatives:

- David Kell, Madison County
- Jeryne Peterson, Village of Buckeye Lake
- Christine Houk, City of Grove City
- Eric Meyer, City of Reynoldsburg
- Kenneth Wright, City of Westerville
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- Shanette Strickland, City of Reynoldsburg

Ms. Leuby welcomed guests:

- Kayla Johnson, OSU-CRP Intern
- Vince Utterback, Violet Township
- Rozland McKee, Etna Township
- Josh Roth, COTA

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

William Murdock welcomed members and guests. The noon session with Kenny McDonald was a great opening. Next month, Ohio Department of Development Director Lydia Mihalik is the guest speaker at noon providing a statewide economic development picture.

Mr. Murdock announced the promotions of Thea Ewing to Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming, Kerstin Carr to Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning and Nick Gill to Transportation Study Director.

The Strategic Framework is almost ready for rollout next month. The framework looks at how we can help advance MORPC's work for member governments and the region. MORPC's budget is structured around the framework.

The Residential Services group is working on new things with communities across the region. MORPC received a lead grant (over \$1 million) and a healthy homes grant (up to \$2 million) allowing us to help more people in a timelier manner.

When the MORPC Team was at the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Conference last week, they advocated for the region, met with the EDA Administrator, received a deep dive on the federal infrastructure bill, and had many opportunities to connect on best practices. Thea Ewing is leading a national committee to look at how to respond to the infrastructure bill. Niel Jurist is co-leading an effort on diversity and communications. Mayor Ike Stage is on the National Board for NARC.

Last week the Columbus region received our first approved Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). We are one step away from becoming an Economic Development District (EDD) as designated by the federal government. Being an EDD provides greater opportunities for technical assistance grants, revolving loans, etc. Ted Geer led the effort.

The Intel deal is a major deal for the State of Ohio. The City of New Albany led the way. Mr. Murdock thanked Joe Stefanov and his team for their efforts. On February 24, MORPC is hosting a listening session for communities. The goal is to share information with the communities but also to hear your ideas and concerns. We are working with One Columbus and the Ohio Department of Development to make sure we are taking advantage of this opportunity.

MORPC continues to monitor information regarding the Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) and wants to be a resource for you. The morpc.org/investing web page is a resource available to members. MORPC is hiring a full-time employee to help communities access available funds.

Mr. Murdock congratulated Chris Amorose Groomes on her appointment to the National League of Cities Federal Advocacy Commission's Information Technology and Communications Committee. Mr. Murdock congratulated Joe Antram on his appointment to the County Commissioners Association of Ohio Board of Directors. Mr. Murdock congratulated Shawn Hufstедler and the Finance Team for being awarded the Auditor of State Award with Distinction for 2020.

Mr. Murdock reminded members that MORPC has partnerships with Ohio State, Ohio University and Franklin University offering tuition discounts. These programs can be included in your HR Manuals and even apply to seasonal employees.

Ohio University Voinovich Academy is offering Governing Essentials for Local Elected Officials. The first and last sessions are full, in-person days. The first session is at MORPC on March 4 and the last session is in Dublin on April 23. The four half-day online workshops are March 9, March 23, April 6, and April 20.

Upcoming events:

- Smart Cities: Leveraging Public Private Partnerships – February 18 – panelists include Thea Ewing, MORPC; Jordan Davis, Smart Columbus; Patricia Zullo, Spectrum; and Lee Davenport, US Ignite
- MORPC’s State of the Region – March 16, 11:30 a.m., Greater Columbus Convention Center – register at morpc.org/SOTR
- **Quarterly Membership Update – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer**
Eileen Leuby presented the [Membership Services Quarterly Report](#) highlighting:
 - New members
 - Attendance awards
 - Member benefits
 - Update profile sheets
 - Regional Collaborations
 - Rural Service Strategy
 - Summer Intern Program
 - Easton Fellows
 - Membership visits
 - Return on investment

Chair Angelou informed the Commission that the Executive Committee met remotely due to inclement weather and was not able to vote to approve resolutions on today’s agenda. However, there was general agreement to move the resolutions forward for Commission vote.

Proposed Resolution 02-22: “Accepting Madison County as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)” – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

Tom Homan made a motion to approve Resolution 02-22, second by Nancy White; motion passed.

Proposed Resolution 03-22: “Accepting the Village of Buckeye Lake as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)” – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

Emily Keeler made a motion to approve Resolution 03-22, second by Elissa Schneider; motion passed.

MORPC now has 76 members.

Committees

Regional Policy Roundtable – Joe Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Relations

Joe Garrity presented the [Regional Policy Roundtable](#) Update. Mr. Garrity is filling in for new Regional Policy Roundtable Chair David Scheffler. The new vice chair is Lourdes Barroso. The next Roundtable meeting is February 22. Every two years the committee updates the public policy agenda to ensure MORPC is effectively advocating on behalf of our members.

- **Legislative Update – Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joe Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Engagement**

Mr. Garrity and Steve Tugend gave the legislative update highlighting the following:

- National Association of Regional Councils
- Federal continuing resolution
- HB 51 – added clause allows public bodies to hold public meetings virtually until June 30
- State Capital Budget – delayed due to redistricting
- Two state primaries – due to redistricting
- SB 277 – repeal state motor vehicle tax that was just increased
- Central Ohio Defense Group – May 10 fly-in

See the [February 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](#). Mayor Kessler is honored to be chairing the committee which has several new members this year with diverse representation. A new member orientation was held February 2. The first Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting this year is February 16. A couple projects Mayor Kessler would like to work on through the committee are a littler clean up and education effort and creating a legislative toolkit to help local governments regarding best practices for environmental issues.

Mayor Kessler encouraged members to join Sustainable2050. MORPC is offering the chance for Sustainable2050 members to earn tier status certification again through an updated framework reflecting the new Regional Sustainability Agenda. Sustainable2050 members can earn bronze, silver, gold, and platinum levels based on total number of points reflecting their accomplishments. New to that process is an Equity Plus recognition level to highlight members that are including a diversity, equity and inclusion lens to their sustainability work. Contact MORPC's Sustainability Officer Brandi Whetstone to learn more.

Transportation Policy Committee – Karen Angelou (City of Gahanna), MORPC Chair

Chair Angelou called the Transportation Policy Committee Session to order at 2:24 p.m. The session adjourned at 2:31 p.m. Separate minutes are attached.

Commission Consent Agenda

Tom Homan made a motion to approve the Commission Consent Agenda, a second was made; motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Chris Amorose Groomes, Secretary
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission