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NOTICE OF A MEETING

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
111 LIBERTY STREET, SUITE 100
COLUMBUS, OH 43215
*BOARD ROOM***

Thursday, May 5, 2022
1:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

1. **Welcome** – Chris Amorose Grooms, Chair
2. **Consent Agenda**
 - Approval of [April 7, 2022 minutes](#)
3. **Executive Director’s Report** – William Murdock
4. **Committee Updates**
 - **Regional Policy Roundtable** – Joseph Garrity
 - **Regional Data Advisory Committee** – Kerstin Carr
 - **Transportation Policy Committee** – Thea Ewing
5. **Proposed Resolution 06-22: “Authorizing the executive director to file applications with, execute agreements with, and receive funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Transportation”** – Thea Ewing

6. **Proposed Resolution 07-22:** “Authorizing the executive director to receive and partner with and distribute funding to the RAPID 5 organization in the amount of up to \$2 million over the course of one year” – Kerstin Carr
7. **Proposed Resolution EC-03-22:** “Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements with the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for the 2023 Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) and to enter into related subcontracts – Robert Williams
8. **Residential Services Update** – Robert Williams
9. **Quarterly Membership Update** – Eileen Leuby
10. **Quarterly Financial Statements** – Shawn Hufstedler
11. **Draft Commission Agenda**
12. **Other Business**

PLEASE NOTIFY SHARI SAUNDERS AT 614-233-4169 OR ssaunders@morpc.org IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE.

**The next Executive Committee Meeting is
Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.
111 Liberty Street, Suite 100
Columbus, Ohio 43215**

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Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: April 7, 2022
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: MORPC Board Room

Members Attending in Person

Chris Amorose Grooms
Karen Angelou
Franklin Christman

Michelle Crandall
Erik Janas
Rory McGuiness

David Scheffler
Joe Stefanov

Members Attending Remotely

Jennifer Gallagher

Nancy White

MORPC Staff Attending in Person

Abby Barnes
Kerstin Carr
Joe Garrity
Nick Gill

Shawn Hufstедler
Niel Jurist
William Murdock
Anthony Perry

Shari Saunders
Bevan Schneck
Robert Williams

MORPC Staff Attending Remotely

Eileen Leuby

Welcome – Erik Janas

Chair Erik Janas called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Joe Stefanov made a motion to approve the March 3, 2022 minutes, second by Chris Amorose Grooms; motion passed.

Executive Director's Report – William Murdock

William Murdock gave a recap of the State of the Region. Approximately 850 people attended the event that generated media in every major outlet in Central Ohio. The Executive Committee applauded Team Members for their efforts. Next year's event is April 18, 2023 at the new Hilton Columbus Downtown. [Video](#) of the event is available on MORPC's YouTube channel.

MORPC Team Members attended an April 6 event which recognized Niel Jurist as a Business First 2022 Diversity in Business Leader.

Member visits and regional collaborations continue. Between 35 and 40 people attended the Northeast Regional Collaboration meeting. We are seeing interest from communities in becoming MORPC members. St. Albans Township is looking at joining MORPC and a resolution may be on the Commission agenda.

MORPC is experiencing a staff dynamic like we have never seen in terms of recruiting people and losing people. There are a lot of new faces around the building. We are about to hire a Human Resources Director for extra capacity and maybe speed up the hiring process.

Residential Services had a good first quarter. Robert Williams will give an update in May.

Hyperloop Virgin One abruptly changed directions in February from passenger to freight. We are talking with the company and trying to determine what this means in terms of timelines.

MORPC, New Albany, Licking County and state government partners held an Intel listening session with about 50 transportation officials about roadwork. We anticipate more Intel listening sessions focused on other things such as trails, water resources, housing, etc. We are talking with the Ohio Department of Development about assistance with giving us capacity to hold the sessions. Things are moving ahead much quicker than anticipated. Joe Stefanov shared that a group working on education, along with housing, water and transportation, is visiting a comparable site in Arizona. We will probably see action items coming out of that group in the next six months.

MORPC continues to get more details on the programs coming out of the bipartisan infrastructure bill. Mr. Murdock introduced new MORPC Grants Officer Abby Barnes. Ms. Barnes is glad to be at MORPC and diving into seeing what federal opportunities are available for the region. She will be working with communities to get to know their needs and priorities.

MORPC is partnering with Metro Parks and the Urban Land Institute to set up a nonprofit for RAPID 5. It may be launched as soon as May. It is designed to be a complement to the work we do with local governments.

For the 33rd consecutive year, MORPC's Finance Team received the Excellence in Financial Reporting Award from the GFOA for the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

The LinkUS collaboration effort between the City of Columbus, COTA, MORPC and several suburbs is at a pivotal point. The following recommendations are being presented to the Steering Committee today and are likely to move forward:

1. Invest in Our Region's Transportation System
 - Commit to New Historic Infrastructure Investment
 - Provide Sustainable Funding for LinkUS
2. Take Action and Commit Resources to Advance the Vision
 - Pursue Legislative Changes
 - Create a Committee to Coordinate Transit Support Infrastructure
3. Rise Together by Aligning with Regional Initiatives
 - Support Regional Prosperity Outcomes
 - Create a Regional Transit-Oriented Development Strategy

Rory McGuinness shared the \$1.4 billion investment is to help create and fund the three corridors that are in development (Northwest – Olentangy River Road to Dublin, East-West – West Broad Street into downtown, East Main Street – downtown East Main Street to Reynoldsburg). The historic investment will also fund several million dollars in new sidewalks, bike trails, and roadway investments for the entire region if they have a nexus to public transportation in general. A sustainable funding source is needed to provide local match dollars. The current COTA sales tax is one-half percent. Raising the COTA sales tax to one percent will allow them to leverage bonds. Growth will be focused around corridors providing affordable housing opportunities. Creating a transit-oriented development strategy will encourage equitable growth across the region. MORPC, COTA and several surrounding counties' transit agencies are working on community connections and better ways to tie those systems in with the existing system.

MORPC is holding the Rural Forum Series again this year. The first in the series is Tuesday, April 26 at the Granville Inn and centers around new economic partnerships in college towns.

Nominating Committee – Chris Amorose Groomes

Chris Amorose Groomes shared the following Nominating Committee recommendations:

- 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
- Nominees for Executive Committee
 - Renewal of one-year Executive Committee Terms (expires 2023)
 - Joe Stefanov, Chair of Building Committee, City Manager, City of New Albany
 - Karen Angelou, Immediate Past Chair of MORPC, Council Member, City of Gahanna
 - Kim Maggard, Chair of Reserve & Investment Advisory Committee, Mayor, City of Whitehall
 - Rory McGuinness, Chair of Bylaws Committee, Deputy Director, City of Columbus
 - Renewal of two-year Executive Committee Terms (expires 2024)
 - Michelle Crandall, City Manager, City of Hilliard
 - David Scheffler, Mayor, City of Lancaster
 - Greg Lestini, Attorney, Bricker & Eckler LLP, Franklin County Representative
 - Franklin Christman, Administrator, Village of Ashville
 - Chris Amorose Groomes, Council Member, City of Dublin

The recommendations will be presented for adoption at the Commission meeting.

Chair Janas thanked the Nominating Committee for their work and appreciates the people being recommended and their willingness to serve.

Regional Policy Roundtable – Joe Garrity

Joe Garrity shared the Ohio Legislature passed legislation that includes \$85 million for infrastructure. It awaits the governor's signature.

At the federal level, the House wants a conference committee for the CHIPS Act.

The \$2 billion state reappropriations bill passed. The state capital budget is likely to move after the May 3 primary.

At his State of the State speech, Governor DeWine made known that HB 283 is a priority for him. The bill makes distracted driving a primary offense in Ohio.

Last month the federal omnibus billed passed with seven Central Ohio community projects included in the bill. We are working on Fiscal Year 23. The deadline to submit community projects to Congressman Kerry and Congresswoman Beatty is Monday. The deadline to submit community projects to Senator Brown and Congressman Balderson is April 17. The Columbus Region Coalition is working to elevate key priorities and work in partnership with regional partners and local government members to get funding for community projects.

Congressman Bob Gibbs is not seeking re-election. He serves on the House Transportation & Infrastructure (T&I) Committee. Rumors are that Congressman Balderson does not want to be reassigned to the committee, leaving Central Ohio without a representative. Due to redistricting, we have a new member in the district, Congressman Wenstrup.

The Central Ohio Defense Group is having a Fly-In to Washington, DC on May 8. This is an opportunity for regional partners to elevate our defense assets as a strategic priority.

Sustainability Advisory Committee – Kerstin Carr

Kerstin Carr reported MORPC worked with the Franklin County Health Department to submit a \$500,000 grant proposal to the U.S. EPA for enhanced air monitoring in our communities. The funds will be used to purchase additional mobile purple air monitors and help us understand the disproportionate impact of air pollution on our underserved community.

The Energy and Air Quality Working Group is putting together a fact sheet on utility solar for local communities.

Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization – Nick Gill

Nick Gill reported a big milestone occurred last month for the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO). After developing a process to select and awards funds they received in the state transportation budget, CORPO made a final decision on March 21 to commit funds to the following projects:

Sponsoring Agency	Project Title	Total CORPO Federal Dollars Requested	CORPO Federal Dollars Awarded	Phase Funded with CORPO Award
City of Mount Vernon	State Route 13 Relocation	\$784,517	\$261,316	Project Development
Morrow County Commissioners	State Route 61 & State Route 229 Safety Improvement	\$3,671,195	\$200,000	Project Development
Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks	Heritage Trail Extension - Design & Feasibility Study	\$100,000	\$100,000	Project Development
Village of Gambier	Gateway to Gambier	\$577,200	\$77,200	Project Development
City of Lancaster	Lancaster's Southern Gateway	\$182,252	\$182,252	Construction
Village of Richwood	Rosette Way to healthy food	\$47,500	\$47,500	Construction

Team Members are meeting with the five CORPO county subcommittees and beginning the process to update the CORPO transportation plan.

Transportation Policy Committee – Nick Gill

Nick Gill reported RAISE grant applications are due April 14. MORPC is aware of four applications being submitted:

- COTA/LinkUS for planning dollars to further the LinkUS activities and transportation infrastructure planning
- City of Columbus for a Williams Road study
- Franklin County Engineer for a rural application on the western trail connections project

- LCATS for mobility planning

MORPC submitted the draft Planning Work Program (PWP) to ODOT. The PWP will be presented at the May meetings for adoption. One new element in the PWP this year is for greenways wayfinding activities which were awarded funds by ODOT.

The attributable funds cycle is coming this summer with a July application period. It is nearing time to update the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Mr. Gill provided staff updates of recent Team Member additions:

- Grants and Investment Officer Abby Barnes
- Economic Development Planner Anabel Pederson
- Senior Planner Elliott Lewis
- Economic Development Officer Megan Stein will be coming on board soon

Proposed Resolution EC-02-22: “Renewing MORPC’s three-year GIS license agreement with ESRI for an annual cost of \$27,500, and adding two ArcGIS Urban Online Licenses for \$3,000 and one ArcGIS Hub Premium License for \$5,000” – Kerstin Carr

The ArcGIS Urban software allows us to map on a 3D platform and do scenario planning and impact analysis.

Joe Stefanov made a motion to approve Resolution EC-02-22, second by David Scheffler; motion passed.

Draft Commission Agenda

The Executive Committee reviewed the draft April 14, 2022 Commission Meeting Agenda.

Other

The tentative date for the Executive Committee Retreat conflicts with the COMMA meeting. We will look for a different date for the retreat.

Mr. Murdock thanked Shawn Hufstedler and his team for the work they put into getting the technology improvements for the Board Room.

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Michelle Crandall, Secretary
Executive Committee



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Memorandum

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

FROM: Thea Ewing, Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming

DATE: April 30, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 06-22: **“Authorizing the executive director to file applications with, execute agreements with, and receive funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Transportation”**

Annually, MORPC submits an application to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for planning funds to continue the metropolitan planning program, as currently defined by the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act, also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.” Some of these funds are allocated to MORPC on a “formula” basis, and others are allocated at the discretion of MORPC and other agencies. The appropriate portions of the grants and the local shares are included in the agency budget for 2022.

For State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023 (begins July 1, 2022), MORPC is requesting \$2,840,819 of new combined Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) planning funds, and \$355,102 of new ODOT matching funds. The MORPC local share for these grants is \$355,102. These are the “formula” funds supporting the base transportation planning.

Historically, MORPC has encouraged ridesharing and vanpools. In SFY 2023 MORPC will be using \$700,000 of MORPC Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds for the ridesharing program.

Other discretionary special projects include \$350,000 in MORPC STBG funds for Supplemental Planning that will include seven activities:

1. Project Expedition SFY 2023 – Augment the efforts of the TIP project to ensure the timely completion of projects funded with MORPC-attributable funds.
2. Traffic Monitoring – Augment traffic counts received from local governments by taking traffic counts, including bike and pedestrian counts, at other key locations to maintain the regional model and for other purposes. Also, enhance availability of data on the MORPC website.

3. Data Products and Services – This includes soliciting services and data products that supplement Work Elements 60513-2000 and 60523-2000 (transportation data-related elements). It includes technical tools and services for promoting data sharing and availability and supporting the Regional Data Advisory Committee.
4. Assistance to Members – Provides planning data, travel demand forecasting, and transportation analysis assistance to members upon request for studies conducted by or for local governments.
5. Interregional Connections support - Resources for staff working on Interregional Connections.
6. Conduct resiliency research and planning to prepare the transportation system for a changing climate.
7. Coordinate with other regional activities such as the Regional Sustainability Agenda activities that further the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Goals.

As Central Ohio is designated a “maintenance” area for ozone and for fine particulate matter, MORPC will continue its planning and education efforts for air quality. \$550,000 of CMAQ funding will be used for Work Element 66733-1000 for FY 2023.

In FY 2015, a new special project work element was included to administer the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funding for the Columbus urbanized area. MORPC as the designated recipient will receive an annual allocation from FTA for staff administration. From FY 2022, approximately \$86,000 remains and will be carried forward into FY 2023. The FY 2023 funds will be \$169,079 and are included in Work Element 67413-3000.

MORPC has utilized FTA Section 5310 funding to provide Mobility Manager support throughout central Ohio. This was continued in FY 2022. From FY 2022 approximately \$95,000 remains and will be carried forward into FY 2023. The FY 2023 funds will be \$130,000 and are included in Work Element 67423-3000.

In FY 2018 MORPC assumed management of the Paving the Way program which had previously been managed by the City of Columbus through an allocation of MORPC STBG funds. MORPC will continue the Paving the Way program through Work Element 66543-0400 in FY 2023 using \$50,000 of STBG funds.

MORPC will continue the Technical Assistance Program to assist local governments to implement the principles of insight2050 through Work Element 66573-1000 in FY 2023 using \$250,000 of STBG funds.

In the FY 2022 PWP MORPC began a new work element, 66522-3000, to provide support to the LinkUS corridor planning initiative to assist LinkUS partners in the planning and project development needed to implement high-capacity transit corridors. Approximately \$250,000 from FY 2022 remains and will be carried forward into FY 2023 in the same work element.

In total, including other special projects that began in previous MORPC Planning Work Programs (PWPs) and that were addressed in previous resolutions, transportation-funded elements of MORPC have remaining funds totaling approximately \$6,896,147. A portion may be carried over into SFY 2024. The use of these funds is outlined in the SFY 2023 MORPC PWP that reflects comments from

ODOT and FHWA. Attached to Resolution 06-22 is a summary of the SFY 2023 MORPC PWP expected to be approved by the Transportation Policy Committee under Resolution T-6-22.

The Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO) has been created as a Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) and is staffed by MORPC. ODOT federal and state funds totaling \$200,936 are being requested to continue the CORPO (plus \$22,326 of new local matching funds). A PWP for CORPO has also been developed with the work elements included as an attachment to Resolution 06-22.

Resolution 06-22 authorizes the executive director to submit and execute any required grant applications and related agreements including the biennial agreements with ODOT for the MORPC and CORPO transportation planning areas. The resolution also ensures MORPC's compliance with the civil rights statutes required for receipt of federal funds.

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Attachment: Resolution 06-22



RESOLUTION 06-22

“Authorizing the executive director to file applications with, execute agreements with, and receive funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Transportation”

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT) is authorized to make grants for transportation planning funds consistent with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law”; and

WHEREAS, these funds are administered in Ohio by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT); and

WHEREAS, the contracts for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), including the provision of the local share of project costs; and

WHEREAS, the transportation planning process is also required to be in compliance with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (CAAA); and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. DOT, that in connection with filing applications for assistance, MORPC gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the U.S. DOT requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, MORPC has established procedures for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program, and it is the goal of MORPC, within the requirements of U.S. DOT and ODOT, that DBEs be utilized to the maximum extent feasible when procuring equipment, supplies, and services; and

WHEREAS, to do some of the projects in the State Fiscal Year 2023 MORPC Planning Work Program (PWP) and the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO) PWP, it will be necessary to secure matching funds from other agencies and to subcontract work or make purchases per the estimated amounts shown in the attachment; now therefore

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

- Section 1. That the executive director is authorized to file applications with and execute grant agreements on behalf of MORPC with U.S. DOT and ODOT, to aid in financing technical studies and other transportation-related activities.
- Section 2. That the executive director is authorized to enter into a continuing agreement with ODOT to implement 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. §1607, as may be amended, in the Columbus metropolitan planning area, including designation of MORPC as the metropolitan planning organization responsible for conducting the continuing, cooperative and comprehensive urban transportation planning process.

- Section 3. That the executive director is authorized to enter into a continuing agreement with ODOT to conduct transportation planning for the CORPO, including designation of MORPC as the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for conducting the continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process.
- Section 4. That the executive director is authorized to enter into ongoing agreements of cooperation with the counties, incorporated municipalities, and other entities and special districts within the areas for carrying forward the transportation planning process consistent with IIJA and CAAA.
- Section 5. That the executive director is authorized to execute and file with such application an assurance or any other document required by the U.S. DOT, effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, including amendments.
- Section 6. That the executive director is authorized to furnish such additional information as U.S. DOT or ODOT may require in connection with the application for the PWP.
- Section 7. That the executive director is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative disadvantaged business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
- Section 8. That the following estimated funding be requested from ODOT:
- a. \$2,840,819 of new combined FHWA PL and FTA Section 5303 funding (plus \$355,102 of new MORPC and ODOT matching funds each).
 - b. \$200,936 in ODOT federal and state funds to continue the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (plus \$22,326 of new local matching funds).
 - c. \$700,000 of MORPC CMAQ funds to support MORPC vanpool and rideshare matching program.
 - d. \$550,000 in MORPC CMAQ funds for air quality awareness program.
 - e. \$350,000 in MORPC STBG funds for seven activities.
 - g. \$250,000 in MORPC STBG funds for insight2050 Technical Assistance Program.
 - h. \$230,000 in ODOT SPR funds (plus \$60,000 of new MORPC/local match) for Central Ohio Greenways Wayfinding Strategy.
 - i. \$169,079 in FTA Section 5310 funding for program administration.

- j. \$104,000 in FTA Section 5310 (plus \$26,000 of new MORPC match) funding for the Mobility Manager functions.

- Section 9. That previously approved projects and activities, with remaining budgets totaling approximately \$856,044 in various federal, ODOT, and local funds, be authorized to continue.
- Section 10. That the executive director is hereby authorized to enter into any agreements with these or other funding agencies and with any subcontractors or vendors necessary to undertake any of the activities identified in the State Fiscal Year 2023 PWP for amounts that have been included in the approved budget of the agency.
- Section 11. That the executive director is authorized, if required, to approve one or more extensions of time for performance of services for any of the agreements described in this resolution and to receive funds or issue change orders not to exceed 25 percent of the original total of the agreement amounts without further authorization from this Commission.
- Section 12. 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 13. 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.

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

Effective date: May 12, 2022
Submitted by: Thea Ewing, Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior
Director of Programming
Prepared by: Transportation Staff
Authority: Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For Action Date: May 12, 2022

Attachment A: List of Activities to be Subcontracted

Attachment B: Summary of State Fiscal Year 2023 MORPC Planning Work
Program

Attachment C: State Fiscal Year 2023 CORPO Planning Work Program Work
Elements

List of Activities to be Subcontracted:

1. Gohio Commute marketing/advertising/vanpool subsidies/ride-matching software – Approximately \$40,000 is budgeted for miscellaneous printing, marketing and advertising to multiple vendors, \$31,000 for vanpool subsidies to various vanpool providers, and \$10,000 for ride-matching software (MORPC part, other MPOs also participating in a shared services arrangement).
2. Air Quality Awareness marketing/advertising – During SFY 2022, approximately \$25,000 is budgeted for air quality-related printing, travel, outreach, marketing and advertising to multiple vendors. An additional \$80,000 is budgeted for ozone and particulate forecasting services.
3. Up to \$44,000 is subcontracted for traffic counting services.

All other funds received and contracts to be let were or will be addressed by other resolutions, if required.

SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2023 MORPC PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

Notes on Listing

Total budget of all work elements (including funds spent prior to SFY 2023) **\$7,211,147**

\$6,896,147 is estimated to remain to be expended in SFY 2023 or subsequent years.

I. Formula Funded Planning Program Projects

Total Budget \$3,976,024

WORK ELEMENT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
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60112-1000	Active Transportation Planning
\$225,000	MORPC assists local agencies and entities in planning for and implementing pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure. More specifically, this activity works to maintain the regional active transportation plan, gather pedestrian- and bicycle-related data, review transportation plans and projects to ensure that all users are accommodated, coordinate and assist with safety education, work on specific projects, and provide information and education to local government members to assist them in their local planning efforts.
*	<u>Products/Activities</u>
Budget is Carry over from SFY 2022 only	Planning assistance
	Active Transportation Plan
	Non-motorized system monitoring
	Complete Streets Outreach and Implementation
	Conduct special studies and projects related to active transportation
	Education
60123-3000	Management & Operations Planning
\$185,000	Managing and maintaining the extensive existing transportation system is a priority of transportation agencies. This work element coordinates on the benefits of a holistically managed transportation system. Helping members collaborate on M&O, advancing ITS including connected infrastructure and CV/AV, access management, estimating costs to maintain the condition of the transportation system including pavement management and deficient bridges, etc., and incorporating security and emergency response into the planning process. Monitoring freight rail activities and analyzing for developing trends; meeting one-on-one with communities that are impacted by freight; and providing timely information via the web. Monitoring goods movement-related legislation and other regional freight initiatives.
	<u>Products/Activities</u>
	Condition report of highway system and resources
	Access Management
	Maintain Regional ITS Architecture
	Participation and education on freight initiatives
	Transportation security assistance
60133-3000	Safety Planning
\$105,000	Safety continues to be a significant focus for FHWA, ODOT, and the entire region. This activity works to gather crash data, conduct crash data analyses, reports on safety meetings, encourages local governments to apply for funding to implement safety countermeasures, conducts pre- and post-crash data analysis for safety projects to evaluate the benefits of each countermeasure, and implements the regional systematic safety improvements.
	<u>Products/Activities</u>
	Regional crash data analysis
	Regional Safety Education
	Member assistance
	Participation in local and state safety committees

* Project was previously authorized. Budget estimated to remain at the end of SFY 2022

^ Project is expected to continue beyond SFY 2023

Project Evaluation
Special projects and studies

60153-3000

\$100,000

Transit and Human Services Planning

Coordination, assistance, and oversight to improve transit service and workforce mobility. Work includes integration of all aspects of transit and mobility to ensure that an adequate level of access is afforded to all populations while improving the range of options for meeting diverse mobility needs.

Products/Activities

Maintain the urbanized area's Coordinated Plan for Franklin and Delaware Counties
Public transit provider coordination
Transit Service planning assistance
Monitor agreements and funding in the region
Workforce Mobility Assistance

60203-3000

\$400,000

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Implementation

The TIP is one of the two required items to allow for the flow of federal and state transportation funds into the region. This activity includes the development, update and revisions of the TIP, monitoring of federally funded projects, coordination of federally funded infrastructure projects with projects funded from other sources, allocation of STBG, CMAQ, and TAP funding, the TRAC process, environmental studies and engineering source document review including complete street implementation, innovative financing, and financing education. Specific activities for the year are listed below.

Products/Activities

Maintain the SFY 2021-2024 TIP & Prepare SFY 24-27 TIP
Prioritized list of regional projects for TRAC
Collaboration on innovative project delivery and financing options for projects
Reports on the status of federally funded projects & annual obligation report
Program of projects to use MORPC-attributable funding
Complete Streets Policy and Implementation

60513-2000

\$495,000

Manage, Map, Collect, and Share Data

This element pertains to MORPC's role as a leader in coordinating data providers throughout the region, as well as managing its own internal data and GIS systems. It includes using technology for collecting, maintaining and sharing data sets that support transportation programs. It includes keeping data sets current and organized, and managing and monitoring the GIS system. In addition, it includes advancing collaboration among local data providers to reduce redundancies and improve efficiencies associated with information management.

Products/Activities

Increase efficiencies of internal data systems
Update and maintain data sets to support transportation planning efforts
Promote data sharing among data providers to reduce redundancy
Coordinate with U.S. Census
Collection and maintenance of mobility data sets

60523-2000

\$490,000

Data Analytics and Research for Transportation Projects and Programs

Many transportation programs and projects require GIS and database analytical methods. This element includes using information and tools to develop and prepare final products associated with the various projects and programs of the Metropolitan Planning Organization. In addition, MORPC functions as a regional resource for requests for information regarding transportation, demographic, development, and various other community needs. This element includes aspects of research associated with fulfilling those requests.

Products/Activities

Provide GIS and technical assistance to transportation programs
Prepare annual estimates of population and employment at the county and sub-county levels
Transform raw data into useful information, suggest conclusions, and support decision-making
Update the Transportation Plan Report Card
Respond to and document requests

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60553-3000

\$455,000

Transportation Systems Analysis Techniques and Applications

Building upon transportation data, this activity maintains, updates and refines the regional transportation models and continues to refine and implement the Congestion Management Process (CMP) procedures in the 3C planning process, including monitoring congestion, Environmental Justice (social equity) analysis, TIP and Transportation Plan air quality conformity, SIP revisions, and CMAQ justifications. Participation in other regional congestion management and air quality initiatives.

Products/Activities

Up-to-date travel demand model

Up-to-date data sets for SIP development and air quality conformity

Up-to-date CMP and EJ analysis procedures, data and documents

Determination of the emissions changes from proposed CMAQ projects

Up-to-date Land Use Model processes

Modeling assistance to ODOT staff in the certified design traffic development

61012-3000

\$200,000

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Budget is Carry over
from SFY 2022 only

Long-Range Multimodal Transportation Planning (SFY 2022)

The Long-Range Transportation Plan is the major requirement of the MPO, including coordinating all Transportation Plan-related activities. This includes any follow-up to the just completed 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and initial steps of the next Metropolitan Transportation Plan to be adopted in 2024. This activity is also to coordinate with state and local agencies on transportation studies and plans. Specific activities this year are listed below.

Products/Activities

2020-2050 MTP Follow-up

Goals and Objectives for the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Complete long-range system studies

Coordination with ODOT planning activities

Intercity transportation service planning

Functional Class, National Highway System, and Thoroughfare Planning

insight2050 resource updates and outreach

61013-3000

\$485,000

Long-Range Multimodal Transportation Planning

The Long-Range Transportation Plan is the major requirement of the MPO, including coordinating all Transportation Plan-related activities. This includes any follow-up to the completed 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and significant steps of the next Metropolitan Transportation Plan to be adopted in 2024. This activity is also to coordinate with state and local agencies on transportation studies and plans. Specific activities this year are listed below.

Products/Activities

2020-2050 MTP Follow-up

Goals and Objectives for the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

2020-2050 MTP Candidate Strategies and Projects

Active Transportation Plan

Complete long-range system studies

Coordination with ODOT planning activities

Functional Class, National Highway System, and Thoroughfare Planning

Intercity transportation service planning

61023-0400

\$121,024

Transportation Public Involvement

Public involvement and outreach are vital components of the transportation planning process. These activities maintain the public involvement process for transportation consistent with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), federal regulations, and local needs. Efforts continue to seek the involvement of low-income and minority populations, handicapped, and elderly in the transportation planning process, Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, Active Transportation Plan, FTA's Section 5310, FTA's Section 5307, and other transportation-related studies. The Public Participation Plan supports the activities of the Community Advisory Committee and provides updates on transportation planning activities through in-person and virtual presentations, the web, electronic newsletters, social media, and other public involvement and outreach activities.

Products/Activities

Transportation Public Involvement Process

Public Involvement Activities for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Public Involvement Activities for the Transportation Improvement Program

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^ **Project is expected to continue beyond SFY 2023**

Public Involvement Activities for the Active Transportation Plan
Public Involvement for Miscellaneous Transportation Activities

61033-1000

\$370,000

Regional Strategic Initiatives

Transportation is interrelated with land use, housing, air quality, energy, environmental sustainability, and quality of life. This work element is to ensure MORPC is leading the region in studying, identifying, and communicating best practices, as well as developing plans, tools, and programming to address these issues and advance regional goals in these areas. This work element includes connecting people to green space and our natural resources. Specific activities this year are listed below.

Products/Activities

insight2050 Resource Updates and Outreach

Planning for Housing

Regional Trail Planning

Central Ohio Greenways Vision Planning and Implementation

River Corridor Development Planning

62513-1000

\$210,000

Planning Coordination and Support

Coordination of transportation planning efforts among different jurisdictions is a critical element to ensuring regional consistency in the transportation network. This activity includes informational sharing meetings among MORPC and others, regional collaboration meetings, and educational transportation workshops and forums. MORPC staff also provides support to individual communities with integrating regional initiatives into local land use and transportation plans and provides education around advancing active transportation..

Products/Activities

Informational Meetings

Regional Collaboration Group Meetings

Member Education

Cross-jurisdictional Planning Assistance

Active Transportation Education and Outreach

69713-3000

\$135,000

Program Administration

This work element is to facilitate the efficient administration of the transportation planning program. This work element provides for technical and policy direction of activities to fulfill ODOT, U.S. EPA, Ohio EPA, FHWA, FTA and jointly funded work as described in the Planning Work Program, where such activities are not directly attributable to specific work elements. The specific items are listed below.

Products/Activities

CAC, TAC, TPC agendas and meeting summaries

Annual Planning Work Program and Completion Report

Title VI & DBE Process

Maintain certification and planning agreements

Monitor federal and state planning requirements

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II. Special Studies

Total Budget \$1,985,123

\$315,000 spent prior to SFY 2023 Balance for SFY 2023 or later is \$1,670,123

WORK ELEMENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION

BUDGET

66513-1000 \$290,000	Central Ohio Greenways Wayfinding Strategy This work element will assist communities to plan for and implement a cohesive wayfinding strategy that unifies regional trail networks and celebrates the uniqueness of diverse communities. The wayfinding strategy will include guidance for selecting directional content such as destinations and landmarks, as well as appropriate placement of wayfinding tools, such as signs, maps, and digital applications. A replicable process for collecting data and inventorying assets along trails, including trail use data, will inform the wayfinding strategy. <u>Products/Activities</u> A cohesive wayfinding strategy that unifies regional trail networks
66522-3000 \$500,000 * \$250,000 remaining 100% MORPC STBG with Toll Credit	LinkUS Regional Corridors Planning This work element focuses on conducting regional high capacity transit corridor planning and outreach to ensure a safe, accessible, and equitable implementation of the LinkUS Transit Corridors. The LinkUS Committees which include leaders from MORPC, COTA, City of Columbus, Franklin County and many other regional stakeholders will serve as the advisory bodies guiding most of this work. The City of Columbus and COTA have initiated the next step of planning and project development in three corridors. This work element supports that work including coordination of multiple regional stakeholders, technical planning and analysis, revenue forecasting, fiscally constrained budgeting, transit capital funds grant writing and extensive public engagement. <u>Products/Activities</u> Outreach, Education & Engagement High Capacity Transit Planning Transit Oriented Development Planning Corridor Funding Strategies
66543-0400 \$50,000 100% MORPC STBG using toll credit	Paving The Way The purpose of this work element is to provide transportation project construction and other road closure information to the public. Paving the Way acts as a liaison between the government agencies implementing projects and the public, and it is unique in that it can provide information on all projects affecting traffic regardless of which agency (state, local, or utility) is responsible. Paving the Way addresses construction management and communication on a regional, rather than project, basis. The program regularly provides information and education to the public on roadway construction, traffic management, and work zone safety and alternative transportation options with the goal of ensuring that drivers experience the least possible inconvenience while traveling in and around Central Ohio. <u>Products/Activities</u> Project Coordination Communications and Outreach
66563-3000 \$350,000 100% MORPC STBG using toll credit	Supplemental Planning This work element supplements the formula-funded program and includes research and planning efforts that are required to fulfill MPO planning and project implementation responsibilities. The activity includes elements that supplement project delivery, data collection and data management, Interregional Connections, long-range studies and sustainability. Specific activities this year are listed below. <u>Products/Activities</u> Regular reports to members and MORPC committees on project delivery Traffic counts for approximately 200 locations, including bike and pedestrian counts as identified in active transportation count plan Implement projects to address the goals, objectives, and action items detailed in the Regional Data Agenda. Provide special services and conduct special transportation studies Support for the Interregional Connections activities Resiliency Planning

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Coordination with other regional activities, such as the Regional Sustainability Agenda to further the 2020-2050 MTP goals

66573-1000 \$250,000 100% MORPC STBG using toll credit	Technical Assistance Program The purpose of this work element is to provide technical planning assistance to support individual communities with effective integration of insight2050 findings into local land use and transportation plans. Services will be provided for specific community planning and development projects related to transportation, air quality, traffic, and other projects that support consideration of transportation in land use planning and/or demonstrate the benefits of various modes of transportation. Part of this work element is to maintain online references, tools, policies, and expertise developed under this PWP work element. <u>Products/Activities</u> Planning Assistance Outreach Maintenance of insight2050 resources
67412-3000 \$116,044 * \$86,044 remaining 100% FTA 5310 Administration 10% of Apportionment	5310 Designated Recipient-2022 This work element is to carry out the responsibility and authority for the administration of the FTA Section 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities for each federal fiscal year apportionment for the Columbus urbanized area. The program will follow FTA policy and program guidance in the selection of projects and apply for FTA funding using the designated FTA electronic grant management system on behalf of eligible recipients. <u>Products/Activities</u> A Program Management Plan (PMP) according to FTA provisions Comply with other FTA requirements Program of Projects Update and Maintain the Coordinated Plan
67413-3000 \$169,079 ^ 100% FTA 5310 Administration 10% of Apportionment	5310 Designated Recipient-2023 This work element is to carry out the responsibility and authority for the administration of the FTA Section 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities for each federal fiscal year apportionment for the Columbus urbanized area. The program will follow FTA policy and program guidance in the selection of projects and apply for FTA funding using the designated FTA electronic grant management system on behalf of eligible recipients. <u>Products/Activities</u> A Program Management Plan (PMP) according to FTA provisions Comply with other FTA requirements Program of Projects Update and Maintain the Coordinated Plan
67422-3000 \$130,000 * \$95,000 remaining 100% FTA 5310, 0% local per COVID-19 Relief	Mobility Management 2022 This work element will support mobility management coordinating programs among public, private and human service transportation providers that serve older adults, people with disabilities and individuals with lower incomes. Mobility management will focus on increasing access to service by increasing awareness, coordinating services and addressing barriers to achieve a more efficient transportation system. MORPC maintains the locally developed Coordinated Plan for the MPO and administers the FTA's Section 5310 funding for the Columbus urbanized area. <u>Products/Activities</u> Engagement Increase capacity Information coordination State and local coordination Awareness and accessibility

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^ Project is expected to continue beyond SFY 2023

67423-3000

\$130,000

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Mobility Management 2023

This work element will support mobility management coordinating programs among public, private and human service transportation providers that serve older adults, people with disabilities and individuals with lower incomes. Mobility management will focus on increasing access to service by increasing awareness, coordinating services and addressing barriers to achieve a more efficient transportation system. MORPC maintains the locally developed Coordinated Plan for the MPO and administers the FTA's Section 5310 funding for the Columbus urbanized area.

80% FTA 5310, 20%
local

Products/Activities

Engagement

Increase capacity

Information coordination

State and local coordination

Awareness and accessibility

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III. Ridesharing and Air Quality Projects

Total Budget \$1,250,000

WORK ELEMENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION

BUDGET

66713-3000

\$700,000

100% MORPC CMAQ

Transportation Services (Ridesharing)

Promote Travel Demand Reduction (TDM) in Central Ohio; and market programs and service in a 15-county area. Program services include carpool matching, vanpool formation, transit, bike and pedestrian support and strategies for employers and the general public. MORPC administers an emergency ride home program, vanpool program, and a statewide rideshare matching vendor contract in coordination with OARC rideshare agencies.

Products/Activities

Promote a culture of sustainable and smart multimodal travel throughout Central Ohio. Public education and ride matching services

Raise public awareness about mobility options in the region. Increase ridesharing and TDM acceptance to improve air quality

National Transit Database reporting

Program evaluation, strategic plan and telework policy

Promote TDM services to reduce SOV travel and associated air pollution in communities near high-volume corridors as well as in diverse and underserved populations

66733-1000

\$550,000

100% MORPC CMAQ

Air Quality Awareness

This work element ensures that MORPC continues air pollution forecasting and educating its members and the public on the importance of air quality, its health and environmental impacts, and how to reduce air pollution. Furthermore, MORPC provides technical and planning assistance to the region on strategies to reduce fuel use and reduce emissions and energy use.

Products/Activities

Operate a year-round daily air quality forecasting and alert system to communicate important air quality information to Central Ohio residents

Air Quality Alerts

Education and Outreach

Conduct special studies and projects related to air quality

Planning and policy assistance

*** Project was previously authorized. Budget estimated to remain at the end of SFY 2022**

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IV. Projects Undertaken By Other Entities

Total Budget \$0

WORK ELEMENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION

BUDGET

66505-3000

\$0

No funding

Ongoing Local Planning

Other agencies also undertake transportation planning activities. This activity includes identifying local planning efforts and coordinating with them through other projects. No budget.

Products/Activities

Integrate local planning efforts into MORPC's regional transportation planning processes

67401-3000

\$0

No funding

Ongoing COTA Activities

This work element is for coordination with COTA to ensure adherence to federal and state requirements and for the facilitation of effective transit services in the COTA service area, mainly in Franklin County and in portions of adjacent counties. No budget.

Products/Activities

COTA's planning process

Continued refinement of COTA's Long-Range Plan and other planning activities

Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) update

Service change planning

COTA safety and asset management plans

67402-3000

\$0

No funding

Ongoing DCT Activities

This work element is for coordination with DCT to ensure adherence to federal and state requirements and for the facilitation of effective transit services in Delaware County. No budget.

Products/Activities

DCT's planning process and requirements needed to receive federal urban area and state funds

Implement recommendations from DCT's Interim SRTP

DCT safety and asset management plans

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CORPO FY 2023 PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

WORK ELEMENTS

No. 60193-3000

Short Range Planning

Short-range planning services help members make progress on the objectives established in the CORPO Transportation Plan (CTP). The IIJA encourages areas to be innovative in the way they manage and operate the system to ensure people and goods move efficiently, safely, and in the most secure way possible. CORPO will support the management and operation of the transportation system by reporting on its conditions and identifying resources to meet established performance measures.

The IIJA continued a core Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) that is structured and funded to make significant progress in reducing highway fatalities. This law requires state Departments of Transportation (DOTs) to implement a State Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and to address safety issues in their regions. CORPO's safety planning work will help the state meet this requirement.

Active transportation planning ensures that non-motorized transportation facilities are constructed as part of a multi-modal transportation system and that performance measures are in place to guide engineering, education, and enforcement practices that enhance their usage and the safety of non- motorists.

Product: Method	Agency/ies	Schedule
Condition report of highway system and funding: Assess current condition of highway system by collecting pavement condition summaries from ODOT and local agencies. Assist members in Identifying resources needed to bring it to an acceptable standard and in applying for funding. Coordinate effort with the ODOT Asset Management System	CORPO/Local Governments	As needed for TIP and CTP
Safety planning and safety funding applications: Encourage members to address safety concerns through engineering and enforcement measures. Assist them with their applications for safety funding. Conduct special studies and projects related to transportation safety such as intersection modifications as requested by members or ODOT.	CORPO/ODOT/Local Governments/Others	Ongoing
Active transportation planning: Assist local agencies and entities in planning for and implementing active transportation infrastructure that includes both bike and pedestrian facility. Assist members with trail planning development and complete streets.	CORPO/ODOT/Local Governments	Ongoing
Transit Planning: Coordinate with both public and private transit and mobility providers on public transit and human services planning. Assist members with related grant applications (5310, 5307, OTP2, Etc), planning documents and meeting planning.	CORPO / MORPC/ Local governments and Transit Agencies	Ongoing

Budget:

Total Work Element \$30,000 \$24,000 FHWA, \$3,000 ODOT, \$3,000 MORPC

PID#: 114263

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Implementation

This element is to prepare and continue to maintain an updated Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) through this element. CORPO will identify federal, state and other resources to make local improvements and coordinate them with traditional federal resources.

This element also involves the monitoring and coordination of progress for projects in the TIP, including the projects awarded funds through CORPOS Dedicated Funds Program. As- needed amendments to the TIP are completed. Periodic reports concerning the status of federal funds are made to the CORPO committees. CORPO also participates in public involvement opportunities conducted as part of the development of regionally significant transportation improvements including transit projects.

Product: Method	Agency/ies	Schedule
2021-2024 TIP: Coordinate with ODOT Districts 5 and 6, MORPC, transit providers and local agencies on project information for amendments to the TIP. Coordinate with ODOT Central Office on TIP update and amendment schedules. Monitor projects awarded funds through CORPO's Dedicated Funds program.	CORPO	Ongoing
Collaboration on project delivery and financing options for projects: As needed, work with local jurisdictions to identify project funding mechanisms and coordinate them with the use of federal, state and other locally available resources, including coordination with OPWC's SCIP-/LTIP-funded projects. Assist with special funding opportunities such as CORPO Dedicated Funds, Transit related funding, and Discretionary funding opportunities. Work with our public and private partners to bring projects that are extremely time-sensitive online as quickly as possible.	CORPO & Local Agencies	Ongoing

Budget:

Total Work Element \$40,000 \$32,000 FHWA, \$4,000 ODOT, \$4,000 MORPC

PID#: 114263

Data and Analysis

Many transportation programs and projects require GIS and database analytical methods. This element includes using information and tools to analyze data and develop and prepare final products associated with the various projects and programs of the Regional Transportation Planning Organization. In addition, CORPO intends to function as a resource for requests for information regarding transportation, demographic, development, and various other community needs.

Product: Method	Agency/ies	Schedule
Provide GIS and technical assistance to members: Coordinate with the modeling team to be responsive to new data needs associated with the travel demand model. Prepare land use forecasts for traffic studies. Provide demographic and economic data for studies as needed.	CORPO	As Needed
Transform raw data into useful information, suggest conclusions, and support decision-making: Create data visualizations to make finding and retrieving information easy for users for transportation planning purposes: Produce data-driven reports for a quick view of facts and figures about communities and the region.	CORPO/MORPC	As Needed
Respond to and document requests: Answer questions from government, residents, academia and businesses for transportation and demographic data.	CORPO/MORPC	As Needed
2050 Population and Employment Projections: Working with local agencies, look at trends and future land use and economic development plans to develop projections.	CORPO/Local Agencies	July 2022

Budget:

Total Work Element \$38,609 \$30,887 FHWA, \$3,861 ODOT, \$3,861 MORPC

PID#: 114263

Long Range Multimodal Transportation Planning

This work element is the creation and maintenance of the Long-Range Rural Transportation Plan and related activities. The plan examines the region's transportation needs at least 20 years into the future and proposes a multimodal network to meet the region's needs. Work includes maintenance activities for the current 2018-2040 long-range rural transportation plan completed in 2018. This activity also includes coordination with local governments and other transportation agencies, participating in special long-range planning efforts, monitoring and reporting on federal and state transportation legislation, regulations, and policies, and integrating transportation into other regional planning efforts.

Product: Method	Agency/ies	Schedule
The 2018 – 2040 Long- Range Transportation Plan: Amend as needed.	CORPO	As Needed
2023 – 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan: Through stakeholder and public involvement, review and update CTP goals and objectives, develop performance measures, identify transportation infrastructure and mobility needs, and prioritize projects. Document plan and development process.	CORPO	Goals & objectives June 2022 full plan May 2023
Knox and Morrow County Freeway/Expressway Access Study: Building upon work done in FY21, Develop the working group, document travel and other mobility issues in southern Knox and Morrow counties. Develop future population and employment forecasts, analyze future travel conditions and develop strategies and concepts to address travel and mobility issues. Additional funding outside the PWP may be obtained to go into more detail and/or development implementation plan of proposed. Strategies and concepts. Incorporation of relevant ODOT planning studies.	CORPO/Knox County/Morrow County	June 2022
Industrial Parkway Study Support: provide information on existing and future travel information on the industrial Parkway Corridor from Dublin to Marysville to support the Union County Engineer's study of the corridor.	CORPO/Union County	December 2022
Fairfield County Active Transportation Plan: Assist Fairfield County in development of countywide active transportation plan as needed.	CORPO/Fairfield County	
Coordinate with ODOT planning activities: Coordinate with special studies and projects that are in the early steps of development. Coordinate with ODOT on implementing strategies in A045, Walk.Bike.Ohio and Transport Ohio within CORPO.	CORPO/MORPC	As Needed
Complete other long-range system studies: Use regional data and resources and technical expertise in highway, thoroughfare, transit, pedestrian, access management, freight and bikeway planning to analyze specific long-range transportation needs to assist members.	CORPO/Local Governments	Ongoing

Budget:

Total Work Element \$70,000 \$56,000 FHWA, \$7,000 ODOT, \$7,000 MORPC

PID#: 114263



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Memorandum

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

FROM: Kerstin Carr
Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning

DATE: April 29, 2022

SUBJECT: **Proposed Resolution 07-22: “Authorizing the executive director to receive and partner with and distribute funding to the RAPID 5 organization in the amount of up to \$2 million over the course of one year”**

Last year, ULI Columbus partnered with MORPC to initiate and lead the RAPID 5 project. Over the course of six months, the project raised nearly \$500,000 that was used to support communications, outreach, and five incredibly talented design firms that created visions of how each of the five major river corridors and their greenspace in Franklin County could be expanded, activated, and protected. Stitched together, these visions have the potential to redefine the region and connect our residents with an extensive park and trail network unparalleled in the nation. Furthermore, these visions can serve as inspiration and guidelines to our communities across the region to increase commuting opportunities, recreation, and economic development along our greenways.

The RAPID 5 project aligns with MORPC’s priorities and strategic planning efforts, including Central Ohio Greenways, Housing, and Mobility. As such, MORPC has supported the development of a non-profit, the RAPID 5 Project, including the search of a CEO for the organization. Furthermore, MORPC has worked with the Columbus Foundation to set up a dedicated endowment account to accept funding for the continued work of RAPID 5. In addition to the \$500,000 raised initially, the RAPID 5 project already includes at least \$1 million in private seed funding to support its operation and programming.

In the short-term, MORPC is executing an agreement with the RAPID 5 organization based on its budget and goals to support the funding of the organization through the donations made to the RAPID 5 project fund. This agreement will allow MORPC to request funding from The Columbus Foundation fund and to transfer to the RAPID 5 organization.

Attachment: Resolution 07-22

RESOLUTION 07-22

“Authorizing the executive director to receive and partner with and distribute funding to the RAPID 5 organization in the amount of up to \$2 million over the course of one year”

WHEREAS, the RAPID 5 Project was launched and revealed in 2021 with an incredible vision of expanding, activating, and preserving our regional greenspace system around Franklin County’s major river corridors and to bring it closer to all our residents; and

WHEREAS, RAPID 5 aligns with MORPC’s priorities and strategic planning efforts, including Central Ohio Greenways, Housing, and Mobility; and

WHEREAS, MORPC and ULI Columbus are preparing for the creation of a non-profit, the RAPID 5 Project; and

WHEREAS, MORPC has worked with The Columbus Foundation to set up a dedicated endowment account to support funding for the continued work of RAPID 5; and

WHEREAS, RAPID 5 has already raised over \$1 million to support its operation and programming; and

WHEREAS, MORPC will execute an agreement with the RAPID 5 organization based on its budget and goals to support the funding of the organization through the donations made to the RAPID 5 project fund; now therefore

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

- Section 1. That the executive director is hereby authorized to receive and give funding to the RAPID 5 project organization in the amount of up to \$2 million over the course of one year to conduct its operations and programming.
- Section 2. That the executive director may provide space and other assistance as necessary to support the effort.
- Section 3. That the executive director is authorized to extend the agreement and funding amount up to the financial authorization levels in the MORPC bylaws without further authorization from this Commission.
- Section 4. 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 5. 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.

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

Effective date:	May 1, 2022
Submitted by:	Kerstin Carr, Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Sr. Director of Planning
Prepared by:	Kerstin Carr, Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Sr. Director of Planning
Authority:	Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date:	May 11, 2022



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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Executive Committee

FROM: Robert Williams, Director
Residential Services

DATE: April 30, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution EC-03-22: **“Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements with the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for the 2023 Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) and to enter into related subcontracts”**

For many years MORPC has contracted with the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) to implement the Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) in portions of Franklin County. The source of funds is federal from the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services including the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

The program includes work by MORPC to provide client intake, home inspections, installation of energy efficiency measures such as heating and weatherization materials, and quality control over all client cases. MORPC will provide the inspection services and quality control to verify work performed adheres to industry and program standards. The installation of weatherization materials, heating and electrical work will be subcontracted to businesses in MORPC's service area.

The grant agreement for PY2023, effective July 1, 2022, is estimated to be up to \$625,000 for work performed through June 30, 2023.

Attachment: Resolution EC-03-22

RESOLUTION EC-03-22

“Authorizing the executive director to enter into agreements with the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) for the 2023 Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) and to enter into related subcontracts”

WHEREAS, ODOD implements the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, pursuant to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Title IV, Part A (P.L. 94-385); and

WHEREAS, OODA seeks to contract with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to implement this program inside portions of Franklin County for eligible low-income customers and improve the energy efficiency of their household; and

WHEREAS, the contract for the 2023 program year is estimated to be up to \$625,000 and will be leveraged with other funds from local utilities and other non-federal sources; and

WHEREAS, the services performed pursuant to this contract will be under the oversight of MORPC and be implemented through a combination of MORPC staff and local businesses that are subcontracted in MORPC’s service area; now therefore

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

- Section 1. That the executive director is authorized to enter into an agreement with ODOD for the PY2023 Home Weatherization Assistance Program in the amount up to \$625,000 and enter into related subcontracts.
- Section 2. That the executive director is hereby authorized to approve one or more extensions of time not to exceed 180 days in the aggregate for performance of services under the foregoing agreements and contract changes not to exceed 20 percent of the total agreement price without further authorization from this committee.
- Section 3. 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 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.

Chris Amorose Groomes, Chair
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Effective date: May 5, 2022
Submitted by: Robert Williams, Director, Residential Services
Prepared by: Robert Williams, Director, Residential Services
Authority: Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date: May 5, 2022



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Memorandum

TO: William Murdock, Executive Director
Executive Committee

FROM: Shawn Hufstedler
Chief Operating Officer

DATE: May 3, 2022

SUBJECT: Financial Report – March 2022

Summary

As of March 31, 2022, our cash position was \$2,859,941 in the operating account. For the year-to-date ending March 31, 2022, the actual fringe rate variance was favorable, while the indirect rate variance was unfavorable. A net loss from all operations was recorded year-to-date as of March 31, 2022.

Operating Income (Change in Net Position)

There has been a decrease in net position (loss from operations) for the year ending March 31, 2022 of (\$3,449,086). This is primarily the result of:

- A December 31, 2021 accounting adjustment that recorded year-end unspent COTA local funds received in lieu of FTA Section 5307 funds as revenue in 2021, and which has thus reduced 2022 revenue accordingly (a reduction of \$3,503,047) **(this reduction is strictly due to the timing of the recording of revenue)**;
- Costs that have not been recovered in the weatherization programs (a loss of \$13,442);
- A \$35,211 net gain year-to-date in the Central Ohio Greenways Fund, which is held at the Columbus Foundation; and
- Total year-to-date depreciation related to leasehold improvements of (\$35,059).

Member Dues

Member dues revenue was 8.5% of total 2022 operating revenue for the year-to-date ending March 31, 2022. Use of member dues was over budget by (\$4,016) excluding the prior year dues budgeted for building due diligence and leasehold improvements. In 2022, a \$225,000 transfer of dues from the main operating account to the operating reserve will be made to replenish and further bolster the operating reserve as approved in the 2021 revised budget. Use of all current year and prior year member dues, including building due diligence and office improvement activities, were as follows:

<u>Use of Member Dues</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance (Over) Under</u>
Services to Members	\$176,172	\$189,661	(\$13,489)
Local Matching Funds	83,168	73,694	9,474
Development Fund	24,358	27,487	(3,129)
Building Lease	41,109	41,109	0
Member Services Coordination	12,775	12,255	520
Leasehold Improvements & Building Due Diligence	61,875	0	61,875
Other	2,609	0	2,609
Total	\$402,065	\$344,207	\$57,858

Fringe Benefit and Indirect (Overhead) Variances

Fringe Benefits

The actual fringe benefit cost rate for the year-to-date is 53.11%, which is lower than the budgeted rate of 57.00%, creating a favorable variance for the year-to-date of \$46,857.

Indirect (Overhead)

The actual indirect cost variance for the year-to-date is 64.51%, which is higher than the budgeted rate of 63.00%, resulting in an unfavorable variance for the year-to-date of (\$12,939).

Statement of Net Position

- Operating cash on hand is \$2,859,941, which was equal to 47 days of cash flow. The building reserve account balance is \$449,915; operating reserve account is \$1,326,330; and management reserve is \$108,970. The building improvement/maintenance fund holds \$194,024. The Central Ohio Greenways Fund is administered and held by the Columbus Foundation and has a balance of \$102,846.
- Accounts Receivable totaled \$2,252,530 compared to \$1,605,640 as of March 31, 2021.
- Accounts Payable plus Other Accrued Liabilities totaled \$933,591 compared to \$715,248 as of March 31, 2021.
- The GASB Statement 68 Pension liability of \$5,315,024 and the GASB 75 OPEB (other postemployment benefits, i.e. retiree healthcare) asset of \$625,863 represent estimates of the

Commission's proportional share of the unfunded liabilities/assets of the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). The Government Accounting Standards Board mandates that these amounts be shown in the financial statements, but such amounts do not represent an actual legal liability (or asset) of MORPC to (or from) OPERS, as per State of Ohio law. Excluding the impact of GASB Statements 68 and 75, net position would be approximately \$7.7 million greater, or a positive balance of \$2,891,887 as of March 31, 2022.

Expenses and Appropriations

Expenses through quarter ending March 31, 2022 totaled \$3,125,125 or 14.1% of the total year's revised operating appropriations of \$22,127,185.

Operating Reserve

The \$1,326,330 balance of the invested operating reserve as of March 31, 2022 is held in STAROhio. \$300,000 was transferred from the operating reserve to the operating account in December 2019. In October 2021, we transferred from the operating account back to the operating reserve \$225,000 of the corresponding maximum \$450,000 authorized for that purpose in the 2021 revised budget. An additional \$225,000 is to be transferred from the operating account to the operating reserve in 2022 to fully replenish and further bolster it.

Combining both the operating reserve balance and the operating cash balance equates to 69 days of expenditures, which is greater than the 60-day target threshold per the Operating Reserve Policy. Interest earned and allocated to the operating reserve year-to-date through March 31, 2021 was \$510.

MORPC
Statement of Net Position
As of 03/31/22

	<u>Balance at</u> <u>03/31/2022</u>	<u>Balance at</u> <u>02/28/2022</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>Balance at</u> <u>03/31/2021</u>	<u>Yearly</u> <u>Difference</u>
Assets					
Current Assets					
Cash	\$ 2,859,941	\$ 1,983,580	\$ 876,360	\$ 2,702,535	\$ 157,406
Cash-Designated for Building Improvement	194,024	194,012	12	193,856	168
Cash-Operating Reserve	1,326,330	1,326,060	270	1,100,165	226,165
Cash-Building Reserve	449,915	449,823	93	449,488	427
Cash-Management Reserve	108,970	108,947	23	108,862	108
Cash with Trustee NSP1 Franklin Co	0	0	0	0	0
Investments Greenways Fund	102,846	102,635	211	14,238	88,608
Accounts Receivable	2,252,530	3,186,667	(934,137)	1,605,640	646,890
Prepaid Expenses	126,044	117,581	8,463	94,695	31,349
Other Current Assets	<u>6,023,292</u>	<u>6,063,642</u>	<u>(40,350)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(40,350)</u>
Total Current Assets	13,443,891	13,532,946	(89,055)	6,269,479	7,174,413
Non-Current Assets					
Forgivable Mortgages	7,681	7,681	0	15,606	(7,925)
Fixed Assets	2,133,300	2,133,300	0	1,918,730	214,570
Contributed Assets	249,669	249,669	0	249,669	0
Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(754,686)</u>	<u>(740,174)</u>	<u>(14,515)</u>	<u>(868,581)</u>	<u>113,895</u>
Total Non-Current Assets	1,635,963	1,650,478	(14,515)	1,315,424	320,540
Deferred Outflows of Resources					
GASB 68 Pension	1,050,632	1,050,632	0	1,334,304	(283,672)
GASB 75 OPEB	<u>435,948</u>	<u>435,948</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>922,787</u>	<u>(486,839)</u>
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>1,486,580</u>	<u>1,486,580</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,257,091</u>	<u>(770,511)</u>
Total Assets	<u>16,566,435</u>	<u>16,670,005</u>	<u>(\$103,570)</u>	<u>9,841,994</u>	<u>6,724,441</u>
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	368,086	357,487	\$10,599	\$199,252	\$168,834
Accrued Payroll	316,791	235,045	81,746	282,969	33,823
Accrued Fringe Benefits	95,878	82,099	13,779	92,546	3,332
Other Accrued Liabilities	52,836	49,194	3,643	40,482	12,354
Accrued PTO & Sick Leave	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0
Unearned Revenue	3,730,353	3,793,301	(62,948)	2,666,295	1,064,058
Unearned Revenue-Member Dues	1,047,804	1,133,657	(85,853)	973,411	74,393
Unearned Revenue-Indirect Reserve	<u>(28,761)</u>	<u>(46,333)</u>	<u>17,572</u>	<u>36,171</u>	<u>(64,932)</u>
Unearned Revenue-Fringe Benefit Reserve	<u>(91,998)</u>	<u>(31,368)</u>	<u>(60,630)</u>	<u>28,094</u>	<u>(120,092)</u>
Accrued Building Lease Expense-Current	372,638	310,615	62,023	0	372,638
PPP Forgivable Loan	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>461,686</u>	<u>(461,686)</u>
Total Current Liabilities	5,963,627	5,983,696	(20,069)	4,880,906	1,082,721
Non-Current					
Accrued PTO & Sick Leave	562,186	557,610	4,576	609,306	(47,120)
HOPE 3 Deferred Income	0	0	0	0	0
Other Mortgages-Deferred Income	7,681	7,681	0	15,606	(7,925)
Accrued Building Lease Expense	5,654,474	5,654,474	(0)	0	5,654,474
GASB 68 Pension Liability	5,315,024	5,315,024	0	6,592,842	(1,277,818)
GASB 75 OPEB Liability	<u>(625,863)</u>	<u>(625,863)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,651,263</u>	<u>(5,277,126)</u>
Total Non-Current	10,913,502	10,908,926	4,576	11,869,017	(955,515)
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
GASB 68 Pension	2,514,671	2,514,671	0	2,016,480	498,191
GASB 75 OPEB	<u>2,024,186</u>	<u>2,024,186</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>936,725</u>	<u>1,087,461</u>
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>4,538,857</u>	<u>4,538,857</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,953,205</u>	<u>1,585,652</u>
Total Liabilities	21,415,986	21,431,479	(15,493)	19,703,128	1,712,858
Net Position					
Beginning Net Position	(1,400,466)	(1,400,466)	0	(8,561,256)	7,160,790
Current YTD Net Income	<u>(3,449,085)</u>	<u>(3,361,008)</u>	<u>(88,077)</u>	<u>(1,299,878)</u>	<u>(2,149,207)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>(4,849,551)</u>	<u>(4,761,474)</u>	<u>(88,077)</u>	<u>(9,861,135)</u>	<u>5,011,584</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Position	<u>\$16,566,435</u>	<u>\$16,670,005</u>	<u>(\$103,570)</u>	<u>\$9,841,994</u>	<u>\$6,724,441</u>

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES-BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR THE YEAR-TO-DATE ENDING MARCH 31, 2022

	Year-to-Date <u>Actual</u>	Year-to-Date <u>Budget</u>	Variance <u>over / (under)</u>
Revenue			
Planning, Data & Transportation	\$ 1,675,251	\$ 3,036,282	\$ (1,361,031)
Residential Services	1,089,055	\$ 1,978,017	(888,962)
Services to Members & Development	270,512	\$ 257,022	13,490
Other	(3,359,764)	\$ 227,901	(3,587,665)
Total Operating Revenues	\$ (324,946)	\$ 5,499,218	\$ (5,824,164)
Expenses			
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,879,883	\$ 2,274,572	\$ (394,689)
Materials and Supplies	90,614	\$ 116,841	(26,227)
Consultants, services and other	1,092,395	\$ 3,061,509	(1,969,114)
Depreciation	62,233	\$ 46,300	15,933
Total Expenses	\$ 3,125,125	\$ 5,499,218	\$ (2,374,093)
Operations income (loss)	\$ (3,450,071)	\$ 0	(3,450,071)
Interest Income	985	409	576
Increase (decrease) in net position	\$ (3,449,086)	\$ 409	\$ (3,449,495)