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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee Meeting

8:30 a.m., Thursday, June 13, 2013
Des Moines Area MPO Office
420 Watson Powell, Jr., Way, Suite 200
Des Moines, Iowa

TENTATIVE AGENDA

1. **Call To Order**
2. **Approval of Agenda**
3. **VOTE: Approval of Meeting Minutes**Page 2
 - Approve the January 22, 2013, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting minutes
4. **DISCUSSION: Draft of The Tomorrow Plan**Page 5
 - Report and discussion on the contents of The Tomorrow Plan final draft
5. **DISCUSSION: Rollout of The Tomorrow Plan**Page 6
 - Report and discussion on the rollout of The Tomorrow Plan
6. **Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee**
7. **VOTE: Next Meeting Date**
 - To be determined
8. **Adjournment**

Agenda Report

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee

June 2013
Item No. 3

ISSUE:

VOTE: Approve the minutes of the January 22, 2013, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND:

The minutes of the January 22, 2013, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting are enclosed on the following pages.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the minutes of the January 22, 2013, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting.

STAFF CONTACT:

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MEETING MINUTES

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee Meeting 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 22, 2013 Des Moines Area MPO Office Des Moines, Iowa

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee and MPO Executive Committee held a meeting at 2:00 p.m. on January 22, 2013, at the Des Moines Area MPO Office. Before the meeting, the MPO staff sent agenda packets to The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee and MPO Executive Committee and posted the agenda at the MPO office at 11:58 a.m. on January 14, 2013. **In addition to these published tentative minutes, there may be additional meeting notes on file with the MPO staff that are public records and available upon request as provided by law. These tentative minutes reflect all action taken at the meeting.**

Members Present:

John Peterson, City of Ankeny
Frank Strong, Central Iowa Center for Independent Living
Elizabeth Presutti, DART
Rick Clark, City of Des Moines
Chris Coleman, City of Des Moines
Bob Mahaffey, City of Des Moines*
Jay Byers, Greater Des Moines Partnership
Gene Meyer, Greater Des Moines Partnership
Doug Johnston, Iowa State University
Dave Wilwerding, City of Johnston
Angela Connolly, Polk County*
Tom Hockensmith, Polk County*
Eric Burmeister, Polk County Housing Trust Fund
Bob Andeweg, City of Urbandale
Linda Schemmel, City of West Des Moines

* MPO Executive Committee Member

Members Absent:

Ruth Randleman, City of Carlisle
Aaron Todd, Center on Sustainable Communities
Barry Griswell, Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines
Brad Golightly, Dallas County
Frank Cownie, City of Des Moines
Ted Ohmart, City of West Des Moines*
Tammie Krausman, Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Russ Trimble, City of West Des Moines
Elisabeth Buck, United Way of Central Iowa
Jason Wells, Young Professionals Connection

Others Present:

Erin Olson-Douglas, City of Des Moines
Scott Sanders, City of Des Moines
Bret VandeLune, Polk County
Dennis Parker, Polk County Conservation Board
Pat Boddy, RDG
Alba Perez, Iowa Department of Human Rights
Tyron Hayes, Central Iowa Center for Independent Living
Steve Eggleston, HUD

Staff Present:

Todd Ashby, Executive Director
Jonathan Wilson, General Counsel
Stephanie Muller, Executive Administrator
Luke Parris, Senior Transportation Planner
Bethany Wilcoxon, Senior Transportation Planner
Zach Young, Associate Transportation Planner

1. Call to Order

The Tomorrow Plan Chair Angela Connolly called the January 22, 2013, meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to approve the January 22, 2013, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to approve the December 6, 2012, Steering Committee and Special MPO Executive Committee meeting minutes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Draft of The Tomorrow Plan

The consultant team presented; discussion only on item 4.

5. Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee

6. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is to be determined.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Agenda Report

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee

June 2013
Item No. 4

ISSUE:

DISCUSSION: Report and discussion on the contents of The Tomorrow Plan final draft.

BACKGROUND:

Staff has worked with community staff members as well as subject matter experts from around the region to refine the contents of The Tomorrow Plan. Staff also met with community representatives in late May and early June 2013 to discuss the third draft of the plan. The plan focuses on four major goals:

1. Create a resilient regional economy;
2. Improve the region's environmental health and access to the outdoors;
3. Further the health and well-being of all residents; and,
4. Increase regional cooperation and efficiency at all levels.

Numerous strategies and action steps support each of these goals. Additionally, there are five initiatives, each of which supports multiple goals and strategies that, when executed, will provide meaningful, measurable progress toward the vision of reaching a vibrant, dynamic region of lasting value. The initiatives involve a variety of partners from around the region and build on existing successes. Staff recognizes the initiatives, outlined below, are lofty but also attainable. They focus on:

1. Nodes & Corridors
2. Greenways
3. Resilient Neighborhoods
4. Regional Cooperation
5. Everyday Stewards

The goals, strategies, action steps, and initiatives will be the focus of the June 13th discussion. A link to the draft report will be provided prior to the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Report and discussion only.

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Agenda Report

The Tomorrow Plan Steering Committee

June 2013
Item No. 5

ISSUE:

DISCUSSION: Report and discussion on the rollout of The Tomorrow Plan.

BACKGROUND:

With the creation of the plan winding down, the rollout of The Tomorrow Plan will take place over the coming months. Once the Steering Committee approves the plan, it will go through the MPO approval process: The Executive Committee will submit a recommendation to the Policy Committee to approve the plan.

Once the Policy Committee approves the plan, city councils and boards of supervisors will be asked to adopt general resolutions of support for The Tomorrow Plan. While the language of the resolution is still in development, it will reflect the idea that communities and counties will look to The Tomorrow Plan as a guide during the development of their own plans and will incorporate the goals, strategies, and action steps, as they deem appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. Report and discussion only.

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