



**MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**Minutes**  
**July 13, 2021**

**Commissioners:** John Robinson – Chair, George Peterson – Vice-Chair, Jared Wehner (for Opall), Katie Rosenberg, Randy Fifrick (for Voll), Jeff Gates (for Jacobson), Tim Buttke, Michael Wodalski (for Maloney), Mark Thuot (for Hoehn), Keith Rusch (for Hoenisch)  
**TAC Members:** Dave Mack, Andrew Lynch, David Meuret, Darryl Landeau, Greg Seubert, Brad Lenz  
**Others Present:** Donna Krause, Amy Lipzer

Call to Order

In the presence of a quorum, with the agenda being properly signed and posted, the meeting was called to order by Chair Robinson at 2:00 p.m. at 210 River Drive, Wausau and virtually via WebEx.

1. Welcome and Introductions  
All were welcomed and introductions were made.
2. Public Comment – Comments regarding the Metro Ride Transit Service were made by Donna Krause and Amy Lipzer read a poem that is posted on other community's bus system buses.
3. Approve Minutes June 8, 2021 meeting  
**Action: MOTION / SECOND BY THOUT / ROSENBERG TO APPROVE THE JUNE 8, 2021 MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**
4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment to include the Public Transit Agency Safety Plan Performance Measures  
**Discussion:** Included in the packet is a summary of the TIP Amendment. Mack explained that last month the Commission approved the performance measures as identified in the Public Transit Agency Safety Plan developed by Metro Ride. Staff was informed after the June Commission meeting that the measures were also required to be included in this year's TIP as well. This is just a housekeeping measure to include this in the 2021-20214 TIP.  
**Action: MOTION / SECOND BY BUTTKE / FIFRICK TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 7-21 AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND REFLECTING THE NEW TRANSIT SAFETY MEASURES. MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE, NO DISSENT.**  
**Follow Through:** Staff will send the resolution to WisDOT, FTA, and FHWA.
5. Transit Development Program (TDP) – Consultant Selection Update:  
**Discussion:** Mack informed the Commission that the TDP Request for Proposals (RFP) was sent out to over 65 consulting firms in order to reply to the RFP to conduct the study. Two qualified proposals were submitted and the selection committee interviewed them both on July 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee has chosen a firm for the project and has begun the contract negotiations. The hope is to have a signed contract and begin the project by August 1st.  
**Action:** None at this time.  
**Follow Through:** For informational purposes only.

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June 8, 2021

6. Bike/Ped Planning Update

Discussion: Lynch updated the commission on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan update. The plan is out for public comment until July 16<sup>th</sup>. The plan update includes recognizing new or updated related plans, as well as infrastructure and policy items. A public open house was held on June 22 and information for comment is available on the MPO website. As of the meeting, there were eight comments submitted. After comments are reviewed by the Bicycle Pedestrian Committee the final plan update will need approval from the Technical Advisory Committee and the Commission.

Action: **NONE AT THIS TIME.**

Follow Through: Updates will be given at future meetings as available.

7. Next Meeting – August 10, 2021 at 2 PM, in the Large Conference Room at 210 River Drive, Wausau, WI and Webex. Agenda items may include TAC meeting time and Commission meeting time.

8. Adjourn

Action: There being no further business to come before the members, **MOTION / SECOND BY FIFRICK/RUSCH TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE MARATHON COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AT 2:36 PM. MOTION CARRIES**

Submitted by:

Dave Mack, MPO Director

Marathon County Conservation, Planning and Zoning

DM: BI

BRIEFING ROOM

# Office of Management and Budget Announces 2020 Standards for Delineating Core Based Statistical Areas

JULY 13, 2021 • PRESS RELEASES

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) today announced the 2020 Standards for Delineating Core Based Statistical Areas. The standards will supersede the 2010 standards with modest revisions.

Core-based statistical area standards are intended for statistical purposes only to help ensure Federal agencies that classify statistics, such as unemployment numbers or GDP levels, by geographic area do so consistently across government. Every ten years, as part of a long-running process, OMB considers updates to the standards to ensure their continued usefulness and relevance for statistical agencies. Updates to the standards follow a long-running process: A technical advisory committee of experts provides recommendations, OMB solicits public notice and comment on proposed changes, OMB deliberates on the recommendations and public comments, and finally OMB publishes notification of its final decisions.

On January 19, 2021, OMB published a Federal Register Notice soliciting public comment on recommendations for the 2020 update from a technical advisory committee of interagency experts, known as Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Area Standards Review Committee. Following a public comment period, the Committee submitted a revised recommendation to leave the current Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) core population threshold in place.

Consistent with the Standards Review Committee's revised recommendation, OMB's 2020 Standards will maintain the MSA threshold of 50,000. Recognizing the committee's concern that MSA thresholds have not kept pace with population growth, OMB will work with the Standards Review Committee to conduct research and stakeholder outreach to inform the 2030 standards update.



Office of Management and Budget Determination on Metropolitan Statistical Areas



## Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations

July 14, 2021

Dear AMPO Member,

We are pleased to inform you that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has announced that they will be maintaining the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) threshold of 50,000. The official announcement can be found [here](#). We would like to thank all of our members that assisted in developing AMPO's formal comments as well as all of those that submitted comments of their own. AMPO's letter can be found [here](#).

Separately, but related, AMPO is actively working with its members and stakeholder partners to address the proposed changes to the Census urban area criteria and will continue to keep everyone informed of any new developments.

If you have any questions about the MSA announcement or the proposed Census changes please contact us at any time.

# Summary of 2023-27 Local Program Cycle Allocations

Program	Annual Share of Program Budget	Program Cycle Budget (Annual X 5)	Currently Scheduled Projects (FY 23-27)	Remaining Allocation (FY 23-27)
<b>STP-Urban (200k+ pop.) Total</b>	<b>\$38,131,520</b>	<b>\$190,657,600</b>	<b>\$120,056,438</b>	<b>\$70,601,162</b>
Appleton	\$3,693,359	\$18,466,795	\$16,400,331	\$2,066,464
Green Bay	\$3,528,746	\$17,643,730	\$12,145,019	\$5,498,711
Madison	\$6,863,061	\$34,315,305	\$13,899,386	\$20,415,919
Milwaukee	\$23,519,434	\$117,597,170	\$75,287,215	\$42,309,955
Minneapolis/St. Paul	\$4,716	\$23,580	\$0	\$23,580
Round Lake Beach	\$522,204	\$2,611,020	\$2,324,487	\$286,533
<b>STP-Urban (50-200K pop.) Total</b>	<b>\$7,945,020</b>	<b>\$39,725,100</b>	<b>\$25,889,233</b>	<b>\$15,573,376</b>
Beloit	\$380,684	\$1,903,422	\$2,262,603	\$0
Eau Claire	\$867,721	\$4,338,603	\$3,962,388	\$376,215
Fond du Lac	\$463,178	\$2,315,888	\$1,173,440	\$1,142,448
Janesville	\$587,676	\$2,938,382	\$2,215,383	\$722,999
Kenosha	\$1,046,644	\$5,233,220	\$0	\$5,233,220
La Crosse	\$805,779	\$4,028,896	\$0	\$4,028,896
Oshkosh	\$628,484	\$3,142,421	\$1,259,293	\$1,883,128
Racine	\$1,127,973	\$5,639,864	\$4,798,672	\$841,192
Sheboygan	\$601,639	\$3,008,195	\$3,597,767	\$0
Superior	\$228,168	\$1,140,839	\$1,161,909	\$0
Wausau	\$629,640	\$3,148,200	\$3,915,885	\$0
West Bend	\$577,434	\$2,887,172	\$1,541,893	\$1,345,279

## STP-Urban/STP-Rural Calculations

Total 206 funding	\$72,282,800
Minus funding for Safety Program	\$5,000,000
Urban/Rural funding	\$67,282,800
Minus funding for TMAs (over 200k population) *	\$38,131,520
Urban/Rural funding remaining	\$29,151,280

	Population	Percentage	
STP-Urban (50-200K pop.)	941,733	27.25%	\$7,945,020
STP-Urban (20-50K pop.)	207,993	6.02%	\$1,754,753
STP-Urban (5-20K pop.)	442,712	12.81%	\$3,734,982
STP-Rural	1,862,899	53.91%	\$15,716,525
	3,455,337	100.00%	\$29,151,280

\*TMA funding is based on FHWA apportionment targets