

City of Detroit Federal Aid Committee (FAC)
Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2024 | 11:00 AM
SEMCOG | Woodward Room
Suite 1400, 1001 Woodward Ave, #1400, Detroit, MI 48226

1) Roll Call (Verification of Voting Members) and Introductions

- a) Chair Johnson called the meeting to order at 11:07 am
- b) Voting Members:
 - i) Chair: DPW CS: Calvin Johnson
 - ii) CS: Christina Peltier
 - iii) DPW TED: Sunny Jacob
 - iv) DPW CED: Steve Bannasch
 - v) DDOT: Riki Yamakura
 - vi) OMI: Tony Geara
 - vii) MPD: Keith Hutchings
 - viii) PDD: Dara O'Byrne
 - ix) RTA: Ben Stupka
 - x) MDOT: Kay Adefeso
 - xi) Wayne County: Robert Hunter
- c) Non-voting Members:
 - i) City of Highland Park: Jananan Muththalagan; Justice Lewis
 - ii) SEMCOG: Ally Racisz; Michele Fedorowicz; Steve Brudzinski; Ed Hug
 - iii) Baker & Assoc.: Phil McGuire

2) Public Comment

- a) No members of the public present.

3) Approval of Minutes | *Action Required*

- a) Robert Hunter made a motion to approve the minutes; motion seconded by Keith Hutchings. Motion passed.

4) Report from Department of Public Works

- a) Christina Peltier provided a comprehensive overview of recent highlights in the complete streets department including the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) award, RAISE grant, and application for the City of Detroit to host the 2026 NACTO conference.

5) Report from Transit Agencies

- a) RTA: Ben Stupka reported that as of October 1st, 2024 the RTA has begun Q Line operations. Additionally, ridership has increased in the D2A2 and DAX services. The RTA is initiating an Access to Transit grant program (funded via CMAQ) to improve bike and pedestrian facilities around bus stops. Lastly, beginning work on the federally mandated Coordinated Human Services Transportation Program, aka *Mobility for All*, be on the lookout for a call for projects in the next couple of months.
- b) DDOT: Riki Yamakura reported that the Coolidge project is progressing toward an opening date in the first quarter of 2026. Jefferson BRT project implementation is undergoing procurement and construction will begin in 2025. Public and stakeholder comment for Rosa Parks is on the horizon.

6) Amend Detroit FAC Bylaws | *Action Required*

- a) Chair Johnson presented the proposed revision to the committee bylaws including omitting the Q-Line representative, as the RTA now holds that vote.
- b) Riki Yamakura made a motion to approve the bylaws as amended; motion seconded by Ben Stupka. Motion passed.

7) Major Report from Other Members

- a) Dara O'Byrne reported that the City of Detroit is updating the Master Plan. Policy development beginning early 2025, anticipating adoption in first or second quarter of 2026.

8) FAC Project Selection Subcommittees (Bannasch and Jacob, DPW) | *Action Required*

- a) TED: Sunny Jacob provided an overview of the upcoming traffic projects.
- b) CED: Steve Bannasch provided an overview of the project selection process, upcoming pavement projects, and project mapping tools. The permitted work web map should be publicly accessible in 2025.
- c) Riki Yamakura made a motion to approve the FY 26-29 Project List; motion seconded by Dara O'Byrne. Motion passed.

9) Report from Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG)

- a) SEMCOG: Ally Racisz provided a brief overview of the 2025 TIP Development Schedule.

10) Report from Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

- a) TSC: Kay Adefeso made the committee aware of upcoming pilot projects via AASHTOWare. More to come on software training opportunities.

11) Good of the Order

- a) SEMCOG: Steve Brudzinski stated that the RAISE and CFI grant projects were approved as part of Amendment 24-5.
- b) SEMCOG: Ed Hug reported that PASER data collection is finishing up for the year and will continue next season. Data is available and will be public soon, contact Ed Hug.

12) Adjournment

- a) Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 12:14 pm