



**Transportation Technical Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Friday, March 20, 2026
10:00 a.m.

Government Center, Room 404
115 E. Washington St, Bloomington, IL 61701
Hybrid (In-Person & Virtual Meeting)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

2. Attendance

Committee Members Present:

Raymond Lai MCRPC, Executive Director; Technical Committee Chair
Jeff Jurgens, proxy by Robert Yehl City of Bloomington, City Manager
Robert Yehl City of Bloomington, Assistant City Engineer
Cassy Taylor, proxy by Jerry Stokes McLean County, County Administrator
Jerry Stokes McLean County – Highway Department, County Engineer
Pam Reece, proxy by Zach Wall..... Town of Normal, City Manager
Zach Wall..... Town of Normal, Town Engineer
Dan Magee..... IDOT District 5, Federal Aid Coordinator
Derek Bridges IDOT District 5, Planning & Services Chief

Others Present:

Jennifer Sicks..... MCRPC
Jake Crevoiserat..... MCRPC
Ashley Strupek..... Connect Transit, Procurement Manager

Mr. Lai indicated that attendance was taken, and a quorum was present in-person.

3. Public Comment

Ms. Sicks advised that no request for public comment was received and that no one is present to offer comment.

4. Approval of Minutes of the January 16, 2026 Transportation Technical Committee meeting

Ms. Stokes offered a motion to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2026 meeting and was seconded by Mr. Yehl. The motion was approved unanimously.

Items for Referral to the Policy Committee

- 5. Approval of Amendment 34 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program District 5 project no. J043-4, changing the location and increasing funding total to \$13,115,000, in advance of the April 26, 2026 letting.**
- 6. Approval of Amendment 35 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program revising District 5 project no. J043-4, consisting of the local portion only of the project totaling \$785,000, in advance of the April 26, 2026 letting.**
- 7. Approval of Amendment 36 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program District 5 project no. J043-4, consisting of the state portion of land acquisition in the amount of \$39,000, carried over from FY 2025 to FY 2026.**

Mr. Bridges explained that Items 5-7 all refer to project no. J043-4. Item 5 is a cost increase as a result of funding being reallocated, Item 6 is the local portion of funding for the project, and Item 7 is land acquisition for the project.

Mr. Stokes offered a motion to approve Items 5-7 as a group and was seconded by Mr. Magee. The motion was approved unanimously. These items will be referred to the Policy Committee.

- 8. Approval of Amendment 37 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program, consisting of smart overlay on I-74 from 0.4 mile east of US. 51 in Bloomington, at a total cost of \$14,980,000, in advance of the April 26, 2026 letting.**

Mr. Bridges explained that Item 8 consists of a new smart overlay project on I-74 east of Veterans Parkway.

Mr. Bridges offered a motion to approve Item 8 and was seconded by Mr. Yehl. The motion was approved unanimously. This item will be referred to the Policy Committee.

- 9. Approval of Amendment 38 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program, consisting of Connect Transit project for Wylie Drive Security Upgrades, including upgrade to proximity locking systems and security camera systems, at a total cost of \$409,000.**
- 10. Approval of Amendment 39 to the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program, consisting of a Connect Transit project for a complete radio system replacement at a total cost of \$635,765.**

Ms. Strupek explained that Item 9 consists of a cost update for security upgrades on Wiley Drive and a switching of debt servicing from IDOT to local. Item 10 consists of a cost update for replacing the radio systems for Connect Transit.

Mr. Magee offered a motion to approve Items 9-10 as a group and was seconded by Mr. Stokes. The motion was approved unanimously. These items will be referred to the policy committee.

Items of Information or Discussion

11. Project Updates

Mr. Lai said that the Veterans Parkway Corridor Plan Project Steering Committee decided on the preferred alternative when they met last week. The PSC will meet again on the second Friday of April.

12. That Which May Arise

Mr. Magee said that IDOT FY2027 allotments have been released. He asked members of the committee to submit projects they would like funded sooner rather than later.

13. Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

14. Adjournment:

Mr. Lai adjourned the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

Notes prepared by Jake Crevoiserat, Assistant Planner