

EVANSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Regular meeting held at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301
Civic Center Complex – Administration Building
Evansville, Indiana

September 11, 2025

The following are minutes and not intended to be a verbatim transcript. An audio version of the proceedings can be heard or viewed on our website at www.evansvillempo.com.

1. ROLL CALL

Policy Members	Organization	In Person	Webex/ Phone	Absent
Jack Corn, Jr.	Chairman	X		
Mayor Stephanie Terry	City of Evansville			X
Mary Allen	Evansville City Council		X	
Rusty Fowler	Indiana Department of Transportation		X	
Jill Hahn	Vanderburgh County Council		X	
Deneatra Henderson (Thomas Witt for)	Kentucky Transportation Cabinet	X		
Nick Stallings	Henderson County Appointment			X
Dylan Ward	City of Henderson Appointment		X	
Chris Cooke	Town of Newburgh Appointment	X		
Todd Robertson	City of Evansville Mayoral Appointment			X
Sarah Seaton	Warrick County Commission			X
Amy Canterbury	Vanderburgh County Commission	X		
John Stoll	Vice Chairman, Vanderburgh County Commission Appointment			X
EMPO Staff Members		In Person	Webex/ Phone	Absent
Seyed Shokouhzadeh		X		
Pam Drach		X		
Kari Akin		X		
Matt Schriefer		X		
Erin Schriefer			X	
Amir Varshochi		X		
Jennifer Scott		X		
Lorenzo Marsh		X		
Cory Marshall			X	
Others Present		In Person	Webex/ Phone	Absent
Dawn Kelsey			X	
Chai Mamidala		X		

Jack Corn directed the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chris Cooke made a motion for approval and Amy Canterbury seconded the motion; motion carried.

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. Project Update – presented by Pam Drach

Project	Description	Most Current Status Information
City of Evansville		
Walnut Street Ph 3: MLK Jr Blvd to US 41	Road Diet with bike and pedestrian accommodations, green infrastructure, and a multiuse path	Asphalt to be completed on September 15 followed with striping.
Vanderburgh County		
Oak Hill Rd: Eastwood Dr to Millersburg Rd	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	The project is finished and is open to traffic. A pre-final inspection was held on August 28, 2025.
Oak Hill Rd: Lynch Rd to St George Rd	Road widening with bike and pedestrian accommodations	The final two right-of-way parcels are in the process of being paid for. Final tracings were resubmitted to INDOT on September 4, 2025.
Wimberg Rd: Bridge over Locust Creek	Bridge replacement	Right of way offers have been made; one parcel will be condemned. Adjustments to the r/w/limits are being evaluated to avoid conflicts with a gas monitoring valve on the landfill parcel. Adjustments are also being evaluated to reduce the r/w acquisition on the other parcel being acquired for this project. Utility coordination is continuing.
KYTC		
KY 2183 and KY 1539	Intersection project to improve safety	Additional options were discussed during a KYTC/LPA/MPO meeting in August. Further discussions are needed to determine the viability of the options.

Amy Canterbury asked what it meant when there are issues with utility coordination. Pam Drach responded that it is working with the utility companies that may be within the construction limits. Amy then asked if they are causing delays. Pam responded that it depends, but there can be delays.

INDOT Updates – presented by Rusty Fowler

Contract	Project	Description	Most Current Status Information
INDOT			
R-41410	US 41 From N of SR 66/SR 62 (Lloyd Expwy) to 0.74 mi N of SR 66 (Diamond Ave)	Pavement replacement	Mainline 41 complete. Final pavement markings were just placed and all lanes are open. Work continues on Fares Ave with final mainline concrete pours this week. Several driveways remain but should be complete in September.
R-44898	SR 66 At 1.79 mi E of US-41 (Vann Ave)	Intersection Improvement	Lane restrictions in place at Burkhardt, Two week notice for right turn closure and lane restrictions at Crosspointe went out 9/4. Added epoxy pavement marking to Stockwell to improve visibility, will also add Temp Raised pavement markings.
	SR 66 At 1.20 mi W of I-69 (Burkhardt Rd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 66 At 0.58 mi W of I-69 (Cross Pointe Blvd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 66 At 2.25 mi E of US 41 (Stockwell Rd)	Intersection Improvement	
R-42287	SR 62 Pedestrian Walk at SR-62 EB/WB	Bridge Replacement	Work on walls at CSX bridge is ongoing, plan to place beams 10/2. Will move traffic West of Red Bank to the north side (Westbound lanes) on or after 9/8. Work on Pedestrian bridge between Lemke and St Joe will begin second week in October, some pre-phase work will start week of 9/8.
	SR 62 At 6.62 mi W of US-41 (Schutte Rd)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 At 4.58 mi W of US-41 (Rosenberger Ave)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 From Rosenberger Rd (4.59 mi W of S Jet US-41) to 3.92 mi W of S Jet US-41 (Ingle Ave)	Road Reconstruction (3R/4R Standards)	

	SR 62 From 8.56 mi W US 41 to 4.59 mi W of US 41 (East of Posey/Vanderburgh Count Line to Rosenberger Rd)	Rubblize PCCP & HMA Overlay	
	SR 62 At McDowell Road, 7.75 mi W of US41	Intersection Improvement	
R-44695	SR 68 From 1.2 mi E. US 41 to 4.0 mi W. of SR 61 intersection on SR 68 (RPs 23.2, 31.59 and 31.79)	Small Structures & Drains Construction	Continued utility coordination and relocations are on-going. Construction on the project is set to begin in the next month. Road closures are expected.
R-45152	SR 62 from 3.92 mi W of S Jct US 41 (Ingle Ave) to 2.72 mi W of Jct US 41 (Wabash Ave)	Pavement Replacement	Final Tracings files have been uploaded and are under review. Utility relocations are ongoing.
	SR 62 At 3.09 mi W of US-41 (St. Joseph Ave.)	Intersection Improvement	
	SR 62 2.72 mi W of US 41 (Wabash Ave)	Intersection Improvement	
T-45920	Countywide Unsignalized Intersection Sign and Marking Visibility Improvements	Signing, marking, striping, and rumble strips	Checking to see where the Minor Projects Programmatic Agreement is with Central Office; right-of-way and utility work is still ongoing.
R-44013	SR 62 (Morgan Ave.) At Boeke Road, 1.01 mi E of US 41	Intersect. Improv. W/ Added Turn Lanes	Continued work on stage 3 plan designs and right of way parcels are in the process of buying. Discussion of utility coordination and relocations are taking place with CenterPoint. A traffic management plan is being developed for the projects.
	SR 62 At Stockwell Road, 2.01 mi E of US 41	Intersect. Improv. W/ Added Turn Lanes	
	SR 62 SR 62 Bridge over HARPER DITCH, 01.78 mi E US 41	Bridge Deck Overlay	

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Evansville MPO Annual Performance and Expenditures Report FY 2025 – presented by Kari Akin

The Annual Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Performance and Expenditures Completion Report for FY 2025 provides a comprehensive summary of activities and products completed by the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (EMPO) during the fiscal year (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025). The report details the progress made toward fulfilling the work elements outlined in the approved FY 2025 & FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program.

This report is submitted annually to the Indiana and Kentucky state agencies by September 19 and to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) by September 30.

Each work element includes a statement of purpose, a list of completed products, and a summary of funds expended. In addition, the report provides:

- Budget and expenditure tables for each funding source
- A breakdown of staff hours by work element

Key Performance Highlights (FY 2025):

- Public Outreach: The EMPO website experienced a 220% increase in page views which totaled 21,000. The EMPO Facebook attracted 41 new followers.
- Traffic Data Collection: 506 traffic counts and 11 turning movement counts were conducted. 421 pavement road inventory maintenance actions were updated.
- Project Reviews and Amendments: 13 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments and 54 modifications were processed; EMPO also reviewed 1 traffic impact study, 3 right-of-way vacations, 45 rezoning petitions, 35 subdivision plans, and 28 sidewalk waiver requests.

Financial Summary:

A comparison of awarded funding versus expenditures for FY 2025 is included in the report. Balances marked with an asterisk (*) will be carried forward into FY 2026. These balances Evansville MPO February 4th 2016 Policy Committee Agenda 2 | P a g e reflect ongoing special projects such as STBG-funded software, traffic counts, and FTA Section 5310 vehicle purchases.

Availability:

The electronic version of the report will be available on the MPO website (www.evansvillempo.com) under *Publications and Links* → *Operations* by September 11. Hard copies are available upon request.

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

b. 2026-2030 TIP Modifications – presented by Pam Drach

The Evansville MPO modified the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program with the following:

Date Processed	Sponsor	Contract	Des#/ID#	Road	Description	County	Work Type	Funding Type	% Split	Action	Fiscal Year	Phase/Source	Current TIP Entry	New TIP Entry			
														Total	Federal	State/Local	
														All amounts in thousands			
8-Aug-25	INDOT	45152	2301254	SR 62	SR 62 from 3.92 mi W of S US 41 (Ingle Ave to 2.72 mi W of Jct US 41 (Wabash Ave))	Vanderburgh	Pavement replacement and intersection improvements	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2026	CN	\$3,670	\$47,800	\$38,240	\$9,560	
										2027	CN	\$34,411	\$1,000	\$900	\$200		
	INDOT	44013	2100044	SR 62	Various Locations	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with added turn lanes.	HSIP	80/20	Revise Funding	2026	CN	\$740	\$750	\$600	\$150	
										2027	CN	\$2,545	\$3,600	\$2,880	\$720		
	INDOT	45285	2300807	SR 62	Over Harper Ditch, 1.78 E US 41	Vanderburgh	Bridge Deck Overlay	STBG	80/20	Contract Revision	2026	CN	\$982	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	INDOT	43986	2100812	SR 66	Over UNT, 1.45 mi E of Jct SR 65	Vanderburgh	Small structure pipe lining	STBG	80/20	Contract Revision	2026	CN	\$439	\$0	\$0	\$0	
	INDOT	39923	1601011	US 41	Intersection with Lynch Rd., 1.0 mi. N of SR 66	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with turn lanes	HSIP	80/20	Revise Funding and FY	2026	CN	\$1,337	\$0	\$0	\$0	
										2029	CN	\$0	\$1,200	\$960	\$240		
	INDOT	44499	2200044	US 41	At St George Rd, 1.57 mi S of SR 57	Vanderburgh	Intersection Improvement project	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding and FY	2026	CN	\$115	\$0	\$0	\$0	
										2029	CN	\$5,879	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	8-Aug-25	INDOT	45274	2301147	US 41	3.3 miles N SR 57 to 0.85 mi S SR 168	Vanderburgh	Rubblize PCCP & HMA Overlay	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding and FY	2026	RW	\$189	\$170	\$136	\$34
											2027	CN	\$475	\$725	\$580	\$145	
											2028	CN	\$48,043	\$87,500	\$70,000	\$17,500	
											2029	CN	\$33,841	\$28,200	\$22,560	\$5,640	
											2030	CN	\$28,386	\$6,200	\$4,960	\$1,240	
		INDOT	44508	2200649	US 41	Over Pond Flat Ditch, 2.01 mi S of I 64	Vanderburgh	Bridge Replacement	NHPP	80/20	Contract Revision	2027	CN	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$0
						2028					CN	\$5,084	\$0	\$0	\$0		
INDOT		44506	2200972	I-64	From 0.82 miles E of SR 65 to 0.96 miles E of SR 65	Vanderburgh	Slide Correction	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2027	CN	\$4,057	\$2,000	\$1,600	\$400	
INDOT		45265	2201275	I-69	New Welcome Center near Evansville	Vanderburgh	Welcome Center	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2028	RW	\$7,006	\$7,100	\$5,680	\$1,420	
INDOT	44500	2301075	Various	Various locations in the Vincennes District	Vanderburgh	Intersection Improvement projects	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2026	RW	\$149	\$150	\$120	\$30		
INDOT	43972	2100642	Various	Various locations in the Vincennes District	Warrick	Bridge deck overlays	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2026	CN	\$1,700	\$2,600	\$2,080	\$520		
INDOT	41768	1802047	I-64	From SR 69 to Lanesville	Warrick	CCTV Cameras/Detection	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2027	PE	\$700	\$0	\$0	\$0		
INDOT	43969	2100668	I-64 & SR 64	Various locations in the Vincennes District	Warrick	Bridge deck overlays	NHPP	80/20	Revise Funding	2026	CN	\$3,303	\$3,900	\$3,120	\$780		
26-Aug-25	Warrick	T-45920	2401529	Various	Countywide Un-signalized Intersection Sign and Marking Visibility Improvements	Warrick	Un-Signalized Intersection Sign & Marking Visibility Imp	HSIP	90/10	Revise FY	2026	CN	\$120	\$0	\$0	\$0	
							2027			CN	\$0	\$120	\$108	\$12			

This item was informational and did not require committee action.

c. 2026-2030 TIP Amendments – presented by Pam Drach

The Evansville MPO amended the FY 2026-2030 Transportation Improvement Program with the following:

Sponsor	Contract	Des#/ID#	Road	Description	County	Work Type	Funding Type	% Split	Action	Fiscal Year	Phase/ Source	Current TIP Entry Total	New TIP Entry		
													Total	Federal	State/Local
													All amounts in thousands		
INDOT	45035	2300710	SR 62	At Green River Rd, 1.5 mi W of I-69	Vanderburgh	Intersection Improvement	STBG	80/20	Add Funding	2026	PE	\$0	\$1,100	\$880	\$220
														\$0	\$0
INDOT	45274	2301147	US 41	3.3 miles N SR 57 to 0.85 mi S SR 168	Vanderburgh	Rubblize PCCP & HMA Overlay	NHPP	80/20	Add Funding	2026	PE	\$0	\$4,600	\$3,680	\$920
														\$0	\$0
INDOT	39923	1601011	US 41	Intersection with Lynch Rd., 1.0 mi. N of SR 66	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with turn lanes	HSIP	80/20	Add Funding	2028	RW	\$0	\$215	\$172	\$43
INDOT	44499	2200044	US 41	At St George Rd, 1.57 mi S of SR 57	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement project	NHPP	80/20	Add Funding	2028	RW	\$0	\$165	\$132	\$33
										2029	PE	\$0	\$20	\$16	\$4
INDOT	45412	2200040	US 41	At SR 57	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement project	NHPP	80/20	Remove Contract	2030	CN	\$494	\$0	\$0	\$0
INDOT	45782	2401495	I-69	From SR 66 north to I-64 Includes Des# 2401495, 2401301, 2401355, 2401385, 2401357, 2401358, 2401359, 2401380, 2401381, 2401382	Vanderburgh	Pavement, other	NHPP	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$9,200	\$7,380	\$1,840
										2028	CN	\$0	\$150	\$120	\$30
										2029	CN	\$0	\$4,100	\$3,280	\$820
										2030	CN	\$0	\$18,600	\$14,880	\$3,720
INDOT	44501	2200134	SR 61	From SR 66 to E Jct with SR 62	Warrick	Concrete pavement restoration	STBG	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$160	\$128	\$32
										2026	CN	\$0	\$150	\$120	\$30
										2027	CN	\$0	\$700	\$560	\$140
INDOT	45455	2400049	Various	Various locations in the Vincennes District Includes Des# 2400049, 2400854, 2400852, 2400853	Various	Pavement preservation	NHPP	80/20	Add Contract	2026	CN	\$0	\$1,250	\$1,000	\$250
INDOT	45798	2400591	Various	Various locations in the Vincennes District	Various	Soil nail repair on MSE failures - South Districts	NHPP	80/20	Add Contract	2026	CN	\$0	\$2,000	\$1,600	\$400
INDOT	46142	2002519	SR 62	Pigeon Creek Bridge, 2.45 miles west of US 41	Vanderburgh	Bridge rehabilitation or repair	BR	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$30	\$24	\$6
										2028	CN	\$0	\$2,900	\$2,320	\$580
INDOT	45795	2401528	US 41	Intersections with Covert Ave and Riverside Dr Includes Des# 2401528, 2401531	Vanderburgh	Intersection Improvement with new signals	HSIP	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$2,000	\$1,600	\$400
										2029	CN	\$0	\$6,400	\$5,120	\$1,280
INDOT	42995	2001561	Various	Various locations in the Vincennes District	Various	Signing installation repair; conflict warning systems	HSIP	80/20	Add Contract	2026	CN	\$0	\$1,539	\$1,231	\$308
INDOT	44013	2100044	SR 62	Various locations Includes Des# 2100044, 2100051, 2300807	Vanderburgh	Intersection improvement with added turn lanes	HSIP	90/10	Add Funding	2026	PE	\$0	\$845	\$676	\$169
										2026	RW	\$0	\$450	\$360	\$90
INDOT	45930	2401422	SR 66	From 4.3 miles W to 2.11 miles E of SR 65	Vanderburgh	District small structure project	NHS	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$1,900	\$1,520	\$380
										2029	CN	\$0	\$10,900	\$8,720	\$2,180
All amounts in thousands															
Sponsor	Contract	Des#/ID#	Road	Description	County	Work Type	Funding Type	% Split	Action	Fiscal Year	Phase/ Source	Current TIP Entry Total	New TIP Entry		
													Total	Federal	State/Local
Boonville	R-46424	2401753	3rd Street	3rd Street from Appx 350ft. N of Olive St to Appx 300ft. N of Stonehaven Cir.	Warrick	HMA Overlay, Structural	STBG-R	80/20	Add contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$1,149	\$0	\$1,149
										2029	RW	\$0	\$372	\$298	\$74
										2031	CN	\$0	\$ 10,610	\$ 8,488	\$ 2,122
Vanderburgh	B-46423	2401777	Old State Rd	Bridge #1580 on Old State Rd 0.1 miles N of Wortman Road	Vanderburgh	Bridge Replacement	STBG-B	80/20	Add Contract	2026	PE	\$0	\$425	\$0	\$425
										2029	RW	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$50
										2031	CN	\$0	\$ 2,784	\$2,227	\$557

Sponsor	Des#/ ID#	Work Type	County	Description	Action	Fiscal Year	Funding Type	Current TIP Entry	New TIP Entry		
								Total	Federal	State/Local	
											All amounts in thousands
HART	N/A	Operating Assistance	Henderson	Includes fixed route operating, preventive maintenance, and ADA complimentary paratransit service	Revise Funding	2026	5311	\$1,120	\$1,888	\$944	\$944
						2027	5311	\$1,270	\$2,008	\$1,004	\$1,004
						2028	5311	\$1,420	\$2,110	\$1,055	\$1,055
						2029	5311	\$1,570	\$2,216	\$1,108	\$1,108
						2030	5311	\$1,720	\$2,320	\$1,160	\$1,160
HART	N/A	Capital Assistance	Henderson	Includes fixed route and paratransit buses, and other capital projects	Revise Funding	2026	5311	\$771	\$126	\$100	\$26
						2027	5311	\$811	\$126	\$100	\$26
						2028	5311	\$851	\$0	\$0	\$0
						2029	5311	\$891	\$0	\$0	\$0
						2030	5311	\$931	\$0	\$0	\$0
HART	N/A	Administrative Assistance	Henderson	Superintendent and Clerical Salaries and Overtime	Add Work Type	2026	5311	\$0	\$266	\$213	\$53
						2027	5311	\$0	\$350	\$280	\$70
						2028	5311	\$0	\$419	\$335	\$84
						2029	5311	\$0	\$488	\$390	\$98
						2030	5311	\$0	\$556	\$445	\$111
HART	N/A	Planning Assistance	Henderson	Planning Assistance	Revise Funding Type	Each FY	5307	\$13	\$0	\$0	\$0
						Each FY	5304	\$0	\$13	\$10	\$3
HART	N/A	Fixed Route Bus	Henderson	Acquisition of fixed route transit bus(es)	Remove	2027	5311	\$125	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Combine with Capital Assistance									
HART	N/A	Paratransit Bus	Henderson	Acquisition of paratransit bus(es).	Remove	2026	5311	\$75	\$0	\$0	\$0
		Combine with Capital Assistance									

Chris Cooke made a motion for approval and Mary Allen seconded the motion; motion carried.

d. Final Participation Plan – presented by Pam Drach

The Evansville MPO has completed an update to its Participation Plan. The Participation Plan is the MPO’s policy document used to ensure participation, outreach and involvement in transportation planning and related activities.

The draft Participation Plan was available for public review and comment for 45 days (July 21, 2025 – September 4, 2025). The MPO received one public comment, suggesting the MPO create a method for the public to subscribe and receive notifications about upcoming public input sessions.

Chris Cooke made a motion for approval and Amy Canterbury seconded the motion; motion carried.

e. Title VI Plan Update

*Omitted from agenda – item was approved at the July meeting.

f. Final Transportation Safety Policy – presented by Matt Schriefer

At the July Technical and Policy Committee Meetings, the newly developed Transportation Safety Policy was presented for review and comment prior to September 4. Having received no comments during this review period, we are asking for your approval of the Transportation Safety Policy.

The Transportation Safety Policy establishes a regional approach for prioritizing safety in transportation planning and project development. Similar to the MPO’s Complete Streets Policy, the Transportation Safety Policy should be considered in project development and when applying for Federal funds through the MPO Call for Projects application process. Both policies will be referenced in the Call for Projects Guidance Document and incorporated into the prioritization process.

Amy Canterbury made a motion for approval and Chris Cooke seconded the motion; motion carried.

g. Henderson 2025 SHIFT “Boost” Projects – presented by Matt Schriefer

As part of Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) Kentucky Ahead transportation prioritization plan, the Evansville MPO must select two of their highest priority projects from Kentucky’s statewide projects list to “Boost”. The projects selected to boost will have additional points added to the KYTC quantitative scoring to increase the potential ranking going into the statewide selection of projects.

The MPO has selected the projects listed below in coordination with local leaders from the City of Henderson and Henderson County to “Boost” and is asking for approval to submit these projects to KYTC.

1) KY 416 (IP20080091)

- Reconstruction from US 41 to I-69

2) Watson Lane/US 41 (IP20230196) (02-383.1)

- Improve intersection of Watson Lane and US 41

Amy Canterbury made a motion for approval and Mary Allen seconded the motion; motion carried.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Approval of Bills

Chris Cooke made a motion for approval and Amy Canterbury seconded the motion; motion carried.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

7. UPCOMING DATES

- CY 2025 EMPO Policy Meetings:
 - November 13

Meeting adjourned.