RESOLUTION 6-2020

Resolution of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission approving the 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

WHEREAS, the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission has been designated by the Governor of the State of Wisconsin as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for urban transportation planning in the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, urban transportation planning is required of metropolitan planning areas by Federal statutes and regulations within the purview of the U.S. Department of Transportation, including Title 23 of the U.S. Code, Section 134 (and its implementing regulation, 23 CFR 450(c)), and Title 49, U.S. Code (Federal Transit Act, as amended); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation regulations provide for self-certification that the urban transportation planning process is being carried out in conformance with all applicable requirements of Federal law; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation requires the development of a Public Participation Plan (PPP) for all MPOs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, an approved PPP is needed to obtain the Federal and state funds that support each MPO's activities; and

WHEREAS, each MPO must approve its PPP prior to submittal of that document to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and to the U.S. Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission staff has prepared several drafts of the 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan MPO that were reviewed at joint meetings of the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees in February, April, May and July of 2020; and

WHEREAS, a preliminary draft of the 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan MPO involved a "consultation period" (minimum 30 days) between March 11, 2020, and April 17, 2020; during this period, a memorandum with a link to the webpage including the preliminary draft PPP and an invitation to meet with MPO staff to discuss the PPP and/or provide comments on the draft document was distributed to approximately 180 parties on the MPO public participation mailing list; and

WHEREAS, the draft 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan MPO was revised after the "consultation period" based on comments received during this period, then involved a 45 day public comment period between July 6, 2020, and August 21, 2020, in which (1) the draft PPP update was sent to five public review locations in the Sheboygan metropolitan planning area and was placed on the MPO webpage; (2) paid legal notice announcing the public comment period and locations where the draft PPP update could be reviewed was placed in the Sheboygan Press; and (3) notice announcing the public comment period (including a link to the public comment period notice and to the draft PPP) was posted to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission's Facebook page and Twitter account; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan MPO was reviewed (and modified, where necessary) by professionals and by elected officials representing municipalities in the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area as well as by private sector transportation providers before subsequently being recommended for approval by the Sheboygan MPO Technical and Policy Advisory Committees at their joint meeting on September 3, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

FIRST: That the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission approves the 2020 Public Participation Plan Update for the Sheboygan MPO.

SECOND: That the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission, as MPO for the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area, and in accordance with 23 CFR 450.334(a), hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process is addressing major issues facing the Sheboygan Metropolitan Planning Area, and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- (1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- (2) Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR Part 93;
- (3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR Part 21;
- (4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- (5) Section 1101 (b) of the "Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST)" Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR Part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
- (6) 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- (7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et. seq.) and 49 CFR Parts 27, 37 and 38;
- (8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- (9) Section 324 of Title 23, U.S.C., regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- (10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR Part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Dan Koski, Chairperson Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission

ATTEST:

I, Terry Brazeau, Secretary-Treasurer of the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission on the 11th day of September, 2020.

Terry Brazeau, Secretary Treasurer
Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission