

Metropolitan Planning Organization

POLICY COMMITTEE AGENDA

City Commission Chambers August 26, 2025 | 3:30 PM

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Summary Minutes June 24, 2025 meeting

3. New Business

- A. Approve Authorizing Resolution /Resolution of Local Share SFY2026 for 5303 Transit Funding Resolution (see attached below)
- B. Approve 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Resolution:
 - a. BGWC MTP 2050 Story Map Final Draft
 - b. BGWC MTP 2050 Final Draft Report
 - c. BGWC MTP 2050 Final Draft Appendices
 - d. BGWC MTP 2050 Final Draft Compliance Review Comments
 - e. Public comments: (see attached below)
 - f. Policy Committee resolution: (see attached below)
- C. Approve SHIFT 2026 projects KYTC D3 has selected their boosted picks. The Technical Advisory Committee will pick 6 boosts at the 08/25/25 meeting. Those will be presented as recommendations to Policy Committee. Please refer to email dated 08/15/25 for instructions.
 - a. 2026 SHIFT Spreadsheet
 - b. Boost Score Sheet

4. Working/Information Items

- A. MPO
 - a. Three (3) 2024-2028 TIP Administrative Modifications have been processed:
 - #12: Bridge project in Warren County on (114C00016N) Greencastle Rd. at Taylor Branch.
 - #13: installation of delineators on I-65 and I-165
 - #14: Three Springs Sidewalk installation
 - b. City of Bowling Green and WKU transit merger study has been extended for additional tasks. Work to be completed during August.
 - c. The most recent MPO quarterly newsletter published on 7/11/25, next edition publishes 8/10/25.
 - d. Title VI update approved by KYTC OCRSBD who visited onsite on 08/19/25. Website and office posting updated. Plan submitted to KYTC OTD.
- B. Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
 - a. The League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community (Bowling Green) application was submitted by the 6/25/25. Award to be determined and announced in December 2025.
 - b. Adopt-A-Trail greenway sponsors update; Approximately 20 trials have been adopted.
 - c. Work to be completed on GIS mapping to make it more user friendly.
 - d. BikeWalkBG Marketing Campaign completed by CrowdSouth to increase social media reach and improve website. Minor changes being made to the Bike/Ped website.
 - e. BikeWalkBG participating in a Study Advisory Committee for a Kentucky Transportation Ctr. research project to study collecting bike/ped data counts. Waiting to hear more updates on counting devices.

- f. Contacted area schools regarding School Bike Education Program availability: 5 scheduled for this fall, 3 more expected this fall and 2 more for spring 2026.
- g. BikeWalkBG Events conducted:
 - 07/28/25 Community Bike Ride Ice Cream Social Ride, 16 riders
 - 08/05/25 Community Block Party: Bus bike rack demo & info table
 - 08/16/25 Community Bike Ride Back to School, 17 riders
- h. Upcoming BikeWalkBG Events:
 - Each Friday FREE BWBG Walking Club, Fountain Square Park, Noon
 - WED, 08/27/25 info booth SKYCTC
 - FRI, 09/05/25 School Bike Education Program W.R. McNeill Elem.
 - SAT, 09/13/25 Community Bike Ride Better Breakfast
 - FRI, 09/19/25 School Bike Education Program Rockfield Elem.
 - FRI, 09/25/25 School Bike Education Program Jennings Creek Elem.
 - 09/29/25 to 10/05/25 Week Without Driving
 - Oct. TBD Community Bike Ride
 - WED, 10/01/25 Elected Officials Bike Ride
 - THU, 10/16/25 School Bike Education Program Richardsville Elem.
 - FRI, 10/17/25 School Bike Education Program Natcher Elem.
 - SAT, 10/18/25 Harvest Fest activities and info booth
 - Nov. TBD Community Bike Ride Halloween Ride
 - THU, 11/06/25 and FRI, 11/07/25 Kentucky Bicycle and Bikeway Commission (KBBC) annual meeting will be held in Bowling Green. More to come. Local representation from officials and public encouraged.
 - Dec. TBD Community Bike Ride Light Up Holiday Ride

5. Announcements & Information

6. Adjournment

Next Meetings: MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) – October 13, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – October 27, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

MPO Policy Committee (PC) – October 28, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

Meeting materials, maps, studies, plans and additional information online: www.bgareampo.org



Appendix D: Community Engagement Results Comments Received During Draft MTP 30-Day Public Comment Period and MPO Response

Date Received	Comment Category	Comment Received	MPO Action
7/6/2025 13:14	General comment	Hello.i am sure you have seen this before. I live on Lois Lane. Small house road. Etrond road. And Cave mill road are major cut through in BG. To relive some of the traffic on these cut through's. I am suggesting that major consideration be given to add parkway access from 3 springs road and Etrod road. There is so much traffic on both roads. That parkway access would relive pressure on Smallhouse and cave mill. As we grow. The roads system must keep up. People are reckless on there roads. They are in a hurry. They are on theirs phones. They get frustrated. And distracted. In the summer. People are going To BGP. There are several churches near BGP. Several Schools. And 10000 people on the other side of the parkway. Parkway access would relieve pressure. Do it before someone gets killed.	The MPO acknowledges this comment; however, no changes to the MTP were made as a result. MTP ID 23 includes consideration for a new interchange on I-165 at Elrod Road. MTP ID 11 and MTP ID 45 include potential improvements on Three Springs Road.
7/8/2025 11:28	General comment	In planning for better traffic flow on all state Corridors into BG, could there be a comprehensive new look at the integrated timing of all traffic signals? There are a hodgepodge of signal activation devices in use including timers, cameras and in pavement sensors. Each intersection does it	The MPO acknowledges this comment; however, no changes to the MTP were made as a result.
6/25/2025 19:47	General comment	Make it illegal to be on cell phones white driving. Make drivers that have been pulled over for driving citations retake the driver manual test. Remind people by social media and commercials etc show the roundabouts and the correct way to go, especially by western and the bypass, they don't follow the signs, they need to actually see how to drive on them. Stop making the red lights so long, that's why people try to race the lights so they don't have to sit for six minutes	Make it illegal to be on cell phones while driving. Make drivers that have been pulled over for driving citations retake the driver manual test. Remind people by social media and commercials etc show the roundabouts and the correct way to go, especially by western and the bypass, they The MPO acknowledges this comment; however, no changes to the MTP were made as a result. don't follow the signs, they need to actually see how to drive on them. Stop making the red lights so long, that's why people try to race the lights so they don't have to sit for six minutes
6/25/2025 20:15	General comment	Small House rd. needs to be widened. People are knocking off mailboxes because it's so narrow. It's dangerous when passing wider trucks.	The MPO acknowledges this comment, however, no changes to the MTP were made as a result. MTP ID 34 and MTP ID 221 include potential improvements to Smallhouse Road.
6/29/2025 14:45	General comment	Striping on the most roadways are getting so dull or gone and it's really hard to see at night and when it's raining.	The MPO acknowledges this comment; however, no changes to the MTP were made as a result.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOWLING GREEN – WARREN COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE APPROVING THE 2025-2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Section 134, Title 23, U.S.C. requires a continuing, comprehensive transportation planning process be carried out cooperatively in areas of more than 50,000 population; and

WHEREAS, Section 134, Title 23, U.S.C. further requires that the urban transportation planning process shall include the development of a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), a fiscally constrained plan identifying transportation facilities that function within the MPO area as well as addressing transportation improvement projects and other relevant factors over a horizon of at least 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee is the official decision-making body of the Bowling Green-Warren County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), and is responsible for developing a Metropolitan Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) was developed by the Bowling Green-Warren County MPO and reviewed by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and appropriate federal, state, and local agencies; and

WHEREAS, the transportation planning process is being carried on in conformance with all federal requirements and has been so certified; and

WHEREAS, the Bowling Green-Warren County urbanized area has been found to be in attainment of the National Air Quality Standards; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Committee of the MPO has endorsed and recommended the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, to the Policy Committee; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MPO Policy Committee at their public meeting of August 26, 2020 approves the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Bowling Green-Warren County Urban Area and subing the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.



Sections 5311/5339/5310/5303/5304 SFY 2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR A GRANT UNDER THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTEMENT AND JOBS ACT and A RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE LOCAL SHARE OF FUNDS NECESSARY TO SECURE A SECTION 5311/5339/5310/5303/5304 GRANT APPLICATION.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to make grants for mass transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of the project costs; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u>, the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance with the provisions of Section 5333(b) of the <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u>, that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u>, and in the absence of a waiver from the U.S. Department of Labor, the applicant gives an assurance that it will comply with Section 5333(b) of the <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u>, and the U.S. Department of Labor requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the applicant that disadvantaged business enterprises be utilized to the fullest extent possible in connection with this project, and the definite procedures shall be established and administered to ensure that disadvantaged businesses shall have maximum feasible opportunity to compete for contracts when procuring construction contracts, supplies, equipment contracts or consultant and other services.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED	BY THE	
MPO Policy Committee	(Governing Board),	
hereinafter referred to as Applicant's Governing Board, OF THE		
Bowling Green-Warren County MPO	(Agency Name), hereinafter referred to	
as Applicant, authorizes the following in regard to		
Benjamin Peterson, City-county Planning Commission Executive Director		
(Name & Title), hereinafter referred to as A	Agency Representative:	

- Section 1. That Agency Representative of the Applicant is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the Applicant with the U.S. Department of Transportation, to aid in the financing of the FTA Section 5303/5304 planning [type(s) of grant requesting: [capital, operating, administrative, planning] assistance projects described in the attachment.
- Section 2. That Agency Representative is authorized to execute and file with such application an assurance or any other document required by the U.S. Department of Transportation effectuating the purpose of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- Section 3. That Agency Representative of the Applicant is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.
- Section 4. That Agency Representative of the Applicant is authorized to set forth and execute with such application an assurance that the Applicant will comply with the conditions of the Section 5333(b) Warranty as required by the U.S. Department of Labor effectuating the purposes of Section 5333(b) of Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.
- Section 5. That Agency Representative is authorized to furnish such additional information as the U.S. Department of Transportation may require in connection with the application or the project.
- Section 6. That Agency Representative is authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of Applicant with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet for aid in the financing of the FTA Section 5303/5304 planning [type(s) of grant requesting: [capital, operating, administrative, planning] assistance project(s).
- Section 7. That Agency Representative is authorized to sign all grant, budgets, application and contract agreements via electronic signature on behalf of Applicant with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.
- Section 8. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its adoption.

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WHEREAS, Applicant is authorized by E	CRS 96A	
(Statutory Authority) to apply for and	accept grants of money to assist in the	
implementation of a transit system	or for transportation planning in	
Bowling Green and Warren County	(Applicant's service	
area); and		
	Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the	
	nited States Department of Transportation	
Act of 1964, in connection with the Section	n 5311/5339/5310/5303/5304 project; and	
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1. That the Applicant's Governing I	Board hereby gives assurance that it is the	
	ocal share of the funds necessary to support	
	rvice in Applicant's service area, as stated	
	from the inception of the project. Said local	
	from City of Bowling Green (source of	
local share);	<u> </u>	
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	operation of transit service or planning for	
transit service for a minimum of fi		
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ADOPTED by vote of the Applicant's	Governing Board this 26th day of	
<u>August</u> , 2025		
Approved:		
Doug Gorman	Warran Co. Index Executive MBO Policy Committee Chair	
Printed Name	Warren Co. Judge Executive, MPO Policy Committee Chair Title	
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Carroll Duckworth	MPO Coordinator	
Printed Name	Title	
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Signature		
I, being the duly appointed MPO Coordinator (Title) of the Applicant, do		
hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.		
n/a, adopted by the Applicant's Governing Board, 8 / 26 /2025 (Date).		

Revised 08/18/2025