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## PLANNING TOMORROW'S TRANSPORTATION TODAY

### **\*REVISION\***

### MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

#### The Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization

*will meet*

**Thursday, April 17, 2008**

**1:30 – 3:00 P.M.**

**City Council Chambers**

**4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cedar Rapids City Hall**

#### Action/Discussion Items

1. **Approve minutes of previous meeting** (attached).
2. **Iowa Bicycle Coalition Presentation.** Mark Wyatt of the Iowa Bicycle will give a presentation on Bicycle Friendly Communities and Complete Streets.
3. **Corridor Management Plan for Tower Terrace Road.** Update on progress in the development of the Corridor Management Plan for Tower Terrace Road.
4. **Corridor MPO Merchandise.** At the March meeting staff discussed the purchase of Corridor MPO merchandise such as magnets and pens with the Corridor MPO logo that would be distributed at activities and member facilities such as city halls and libraries as part of Corridor MPO's public relations/exposure efforts. Staff is recommending the initial purchase of 500 magnets (business card like) and 300 pens for a total cost of \$386.88.

*Requested action: Approve the purchasing of Corridor MPO merchandise.*

5. **FY08 – FY11 TIP Revision/Amendments.** There is a revision and two amendments that need to be made to the FY08 – FY11 TIP to show changes to one IDOT project and the addition of two IDOT projects. The revision involves a project on Collins Road NE. The amendments are for a project on 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue E from 40<sup>th</sup> Street NE to Collins Road NE and for the extension of Highway 100.

*Requested action: Approve revision and amendments to the FY08 – FY11 TIP.*

#### Informational Items

6. **2008 Midwest Transportation Planning Conference (attachment).** The 2008 Midwest Transportation Planning Conference will be held in Iowa City this year on June 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. Co-sponsored by the Iowa Department of Transportation and Johnson County Council of Governments (JCCOG), the conference is ideal for MPOs and municipalities. Corridor MPO members are encouraged to attend. Contact Adam Lindenlaub with interest. Staff will attend and provide a summary of the sessions attended. A flyer is attached, which lists the planned sessions, which include Context Sensitive Design, land use planning and transportation planning, and the future of passenger rail.

**7. ITF (attachment).** The Corridor MPO has been acting as the consultant in the creation of the “Feasibility Study” for the Intermodal Transportation Facility (ITF) to be located in downtown Cedar Rapids. The ITF has been largely funded through an 11 million dollar grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Under the direction of Cedar Rapids city council 26 separate locations were thoroughly examined for their ability to meet the needs of all metro area transit users currently and well into the future. From that original 26 sites Cedar Rapids City Council narrowed their selection to four and will consider site #26, (aka Loftus Distributing) on 3<sup>rd</sup> St SE, for official action at their meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**8. Transportation Forum Topics.** Staff is requesting Policy Board members to submit topic ideas for Transportation Forums. Staff has generated the following list of topics:

- Complete Streets
- Bicycle Friendly Communities
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)
- Transit Oriented Development (TOD)

Staff will continue to add to this list and start to set up speakers for the topics listed above.