

Minnesota Council on Transportation Access (MCOTA) Meeting Agenda

November 20, 2024 | 1:00 – 3:00 PM
Meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

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MCOTA Members:

- **Jon Benson** – Deputy Director for Program Services, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
- **Peter Brickwedde** – Assistant Commissioner of Government and External Affairs, Minnesota Department of Commerce
- **David Fenley** – ADA Director, Minnesota Council on Disability
- **Kelly Garvey** – Transportation Specialist, Minnesota Department of Education
- **Sarah Ghandour** – Director, Office of Transit and Active Transportation, Minnesota Department of Transportation (interim MnDOT designee)
- **Brandon Kasprick** – Policy Advisor, Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan
- **Chris Kakos** – Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs
- **Nick Lardinois** – Executive Budget Officer, Minnesota Management and Budget
- **Brandon Nurmi** – Director, Minnesota Public Transit Association
- *Vice-Chair:* **Diogo Reis** – Director, Health Improvement and Benefit Design Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- **Shirley Schoening Scheuler** – Active Living Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Health
- **Maureen Melgaard Schneider** – Chair, Minnesota Board on Aging
- **Gerri Sutton** – Director, Metropolitan Council

1:00 **Call to Order, Member Roll Call** – Executive Director
Action: Roll call (members)

1:05 **Acknowledgement of Temporary Acting Chair** – Executive Director
Action: Information

- 1:10 **Review and Approve September Meeting Minutes** – Chair
Action: Approval (members vote, via chat)
- 1:15 **Review and Approve November Meeting Agenda** – Chair
Action: Approval (members vote, via chat)
- 1:20 **Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Study** – Laura Roads, Director,
Commercial Vehicles Operations
Action: Presentation
- 1:45 **Dynamic Transportation Option Study** – Caroline Miller, Assistant Office
Director
Action: Presentation
- 2:05 **FY `24 Annual Report, Draft Submitted** – Executive Director
Action: Information
- 2:20 **Strategic Direction Work Team Updates** – Executive Director
Action: Information
- Survey Distribution
 - Transportation Providers
 - Users
- 2:40 **Public Comment** – Chair
Members of the public are each allowed up to three minutes for comment.
- 2:50 **Future MCOTA Meetings** (1:00 – 3:00 p.m.) – Executive Director
- Wednesday, January 22, 2025
 - Wednesday, March 26, 2025
 - Wednesday, May 28, 2025
- 3:00 **Adjourn** – Chair
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