

## Minnesota Council on Transportation Access (MCOTA) Agenda

June 2, 2026 | 2:30 – 4:00 PM

Meeting will be held in person at the State Capitol Building  
in the L'Etoile du Nord Vault, Room B15.

Supporting meeting materials are available on the [MCOTA website](#)

### MCOTA Members:

- **Jon Benson** – Deputy Director for Program Services, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
- **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)
- **Benjamin Johnson** – Deputy Commissioner of Programs and Services, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs
- **Brandon Nurmi** – Director, Minnesota Public Transit Association
- **Ellen Pillsbury** – Active Transportation Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Health
- Vice-Chair: **Diogo Reis** – Director, Health Improvement and Benefit Design Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- **Maureen Melgaard Schneider** – Chair, Minnesota Board on Aging
- **Jeffrey Schnobrich** – Executive Budget Officer, Minnesota Management and Budget
- **Sergio Valle-Rodriguez** – Legislative Assistant, Minnesota Department of Commerce
- **Vacant** – Metropolitan Council
- **Vacant** – Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan
- **Vacant** – Department of Children, Youth, and Families

2:30 **Call to Order & Member Roll Call** – Diogo Reis

*Action: Roll call*

2:35 **Approve September 24, 2025, Meeting Meetings** – Chair

*Action: Approval*

2:40 **Presentation on the Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Study** – Laura Roads and Sam Richie, MnDOT

3:00 **Briefing on the Transportation Goals of the draft 2026 Olmstead Plan** – Kristie Billiar, MnDOT

- 3:20 **Update on the Greater Minnesota Transit Plan and current plans for Local Transportation Coordination Plans in 2027** – Caroline Miller, MnDOT
- 3:40 **Chair and Vice Chair Election** – Elliott McFadden  
*Action: Nominate and Approve*
- 3:50 **Update on Annual MCOTA Legislative Reporting Requirements and Decision on Future Annual Reports** – Elliott McFadden  
*Action: Approve*
- 4:00 **Adjourn** – Diogo Reis