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The Director's Corner

On September 7th, SECOG hosted its 2022 Community Resource Fair at the Country Club of Sioux Falls. The SECOG Community Resource Fair is usually an annual event but has been put on hold for the past two years due to COVID-19.

A sincere thank you to all of our state and federal agency presenters who were able to discuss their programs and funding opportunities with SECOG's members:

- U.S.D.A. Rural Development
- Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources
- Office of Emergency Management
- Governor's Office of Economic Development
- South Dakota's Housing Development Authority
- Game, Fish, & Parks
- Department of Transportation

A sincere thank you to all of SECOG's Community Resource Fair Sponsors – without each of them, this event would not be possible:



Door Prize winners from left to right:
 Glenda Blinder, Mayor of Salem;
 Justin Weiland, Dell Rapids City Administrator;
 Donna Van Hout, Worthing Finance Officer;
 Derick Wenck, Mayor of Harrisburg, and Lynne Keller Forbes, SECOG Executive Director.

From

Jim's Desk

Sioux Falls MPO Metropolitan Planning Organization



The Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) receives federal funding to conduct continuous, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning and programming activities for the Sioux Falls metropolitan area. The MPO has three committees that meet seven times per year. All meetings are open to the public.

The Urbanized Development Commission (UDC) is primarily comprised of elected officials from metro area city and county governments. The UDC, with input from the other committees, makes area transportation planning decisions. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is comprised of staff from the participating units of state and local government as well as representatives from various modes of transportation. The TAC's role is to advise the UDC on the technical aspects of transportation plans under consideration. The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) has been established to provide public input into the transportation planning process. The CAC's membership is comprised of citizens representing either themselves or various citizen groups or organizations within the metro area.

The MPO committees' meeting dates, agendas and minutes are available on the MPO website at <https://siouxfallsmpo.org/>. In addition to, you will find information on recent and ongoing transportation planning studies in the Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Area. Please visit <https://siouxfallsmpo.org/resources/transportation-studies/> to learn more.



MPO Meeting Dates	
Citizen Advisory Committee	January 11, 2023 @ 3:00 p.m.
Technical Advisory Committee	January 12, 2023 @ 2:00 p.m.
Urbanized Development Commission	January 12, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m.



From Jim's Desk

New MPO Committee Members

The Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) governing body, the Urbanized Development Commission has approved the appointments of Dennis Olson and Colin Enstad to the 13-member Citizens Advisory Committee and the appointment of Thomas Murphy to the 17-member Technical Advisory Committee.

Dennis Olson (Construction & Development)

Dennis Olson began employment with the City of Brandon in 1986 and served as the City Administrator and Finance Officer until 2010. He continued as Finance Officer until 2017 and then worked part-time as the Brandon Economic Development Director until December 31, 2021. Dennis submitted a CAC Request to Serve application to represent Construction & Development stating, "I have dealt with a lot of major projects in my years as City Administrator. Especially transportation in that the City of Brandon grew three times in size during my tenure. I was also involved in the water, sewer, and streets in four major industrial parks."

Collin Enstad (Safety)

Collin Enstad is the Safety Director for Buffalo Ridge Concrete in Crooks and serves in the National Guard. In his Request to Serve application, he stated, "I have many years of experience working for the City of Sioux Falls and on Lincoln County Planning and Zoning Commission that I believe would be a great benefit to your cause."

Thomas Murphy, Jr. (Trucking Representative)

Thomas Murphy serves on the Executive Committee of the South Dakota Trucking Association and recently accepted a position with K&J Trucking in Sioux Falls. Prior to that, Murphy was the Business Operations Manager for Parker Transfer and Storage. He has held a Commercial Driver's License for more than 20 years and continues to drive professionally. In his Request to Serve application, he stated, "I am a strong advocate for the Trucking Industry and feel that my past experience make me an ideal candidate for this position. I believe strongly that the Trucking Industry is the backbone for the economy of our city, state, and country. I work hard to advocate for the industry on a daily basis and hope to secure this position on the TAC to continue those efforts."

The Planners' Plans

Planning for the Future: The Comprehensive Plan

Most municipalities and counties have a Comprehensive Plan. When was the last time you checked your Comprehensive Plan for an update? Depending on your community's size and recent changes, SECOG recommends that you update your Comprehensive Plan every five to 10 years. For Planning Commissions and elected officials, updating the Comprehensive Plan may be time consuming. However, updating the Comprehensive Plan is an opportunity for local leaders to understand their community's current needs and future vision. A Comprehensive Plan is also required for municipalities to have zoning regulations. SDCL 11-4-3.

Planning for a community's future expansion and development is difficult when the community has immediate needs that require attention - such as street and utility replacement. Other barriers may limit community feedback and planning, such as a difficulty visioning changes to land that has been a constant for generations, beliefs that farmland will never be sold for development, or that people will not want to move into or continue living in their community. However, a community's failure to look beyond negative thoughts or fears of development may cause future issues with zoning and land usage.

Part of the Comprehensive Plan establishes the community's land use plan which is used to organize future development within the community. If a city fails to create an appropriate land use plan, it could lead to incompatible developments next to each other, such as a heavy-industrial factory in the middle of a neighborhood. The Comprehensive Plan is a chance for the community to plan for additional parks in the community or the need for additional housing areas if the population increases.

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The *Planners' Plans*

Continued... Planning for the Future: The Comprehensive Plan

It is important to understand that the Comprehensive Plan will not be able to address all issues or concerns of the community, as the Comprehensive Plan is mostly a guide for future land use and development. The Comprehensive Plan is the foundation upon which you develop zoning policy and make decisions pertaining to land use changes or rezoning. Essentially, the Comprehensive Plan is the blueprint for community development over a 20 year period.

The Comprehensive Plan is a picture of what the community looks like when it was written and where the community would like to be in the future. It is a living, breathing document that should be referenced in all land use decisions and whose goals are revisited frequently by the community to ensure that the path set forth in the plan is still the one that the community wishes to follow. If you have any questions about your Comprehensive Plan, or if you would like to revise, update, or amend your Comprehensive Plan, please contact Sean Hegyi at (605) 681-8176 or Sean@secog.org or Jason Rosas at (605) 681-8174 or email GIS@secog.org.



Sophie's & Harley's Notes

SECOG was on the road in the months of July and August getting to know the municipalities and counties that SECOG serves at the Meet & Greets. SECOG held six Meet & Greets in the county seats of Clay, Lincoln, McCook, Turner, and Union counties. The Minnehaha Meet & Greet was held in Brandon, SD. Thank you to all that came to the Meet & Greets to get to know one another and share great connections.

The Board of Water and Natural Resources September Awards

The Board of Water and Natural Resources met September 29th. The following projects were awarded a grant, loan, or a combination thereof:

	State ARPA Grant	State Local ARPA Match	CW SRF Loan	DW SRF Loan	Additional Subsidy	Total Grant and Loan Funds
Canton (Water & Sewer)	\$ 318,311	\$ 318,311	\$ 2,021,378	\$ 1,770,378		\$ 478,837
Garretson (Water)		\$ 92,900				\$ 92,900
*Sioux Falls (Sewer)				\$ 12,500,000	\$ 7,895,000	\$ 20,395,000
Brandon (Sewer)		\$ 478,837				\$ 478,837
South Lincoln Rural Water System (Water)				\$ 11,502,000		\$ 11,502,000
Totals	\$ 318,311	\$ 890,048.00	\$ 2,021,378.00	\$ 25,772,378.00	\$ 7,895,000	\$ 36,897,115.00

The projects awarded in September are in addition to the January, March, April, May, and June awards which totaled more than \$281 million. The total number of grants and loans received by SECOG members in 2022 is more than \$318 million.

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Upcoming Deadlines for Project Funding Opportunities

Governor's Office of Economic Development Local Infrastructure Improvement Program (LIIP)

- January 31, 2022
 - o LIIP provides grants to construct or reconstruct public infrastructure associated with an economic development project.

South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources

- Due January 1, 2023:
 - o Drinking Water Facilities Funding Applications
 - o Sanitary/Storm Sewer Facilities Funding Applications
 - o Solid Waste Management Program Applications
- Due February 1, 2023
 - o State Water Plan Applications
- Small Community Planning Grant Applications may be submitted at any time

South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Land Water Conservation Fund Program (LWCF)

- February 2023 Application Open – April 2023 Application Close:
 - o Grant pays up to 50% of approved project costs in form of a reimbursement
 - o Minimum grant amount considered will be \$10,000
 - o Priority projects are selected based on priorities identified in the SCORP

South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Recreational Trails Program (RTP)

- January 2023 Application Cycle Opens – April 2023 Application Cycle Closes:
 - o Grant pays up to 80% of approved project costs in form of a reimbursement
 - o Approximately \$1,100,000 to allocate to projects annually
 - o Funds are allocated to projects based on a 30/30/40 percentage

Please contact Sophie Johnson at sophie@secog.org or (605) 681-8184 and Harley Ferguson at harley@secog.org or (605) 681-8135 for more information regarding funding opportunities and eligibility.

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Annual DOT Road Inventory Project

In January, SECOG will be sending out maps and letters for the annual DOT road inventory.

Since 1995, the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) and the South Dakota Planning and Development Districts have worked together to update changes to the public road system. SECOG will send its members packages that contain two copies of their local road map and a letter detailing what information is being requested by the DOT Road Inventory program. The requested information includes new roads, changes in the road surface, the addition of curbs, changes in road surface width, change in road alignment, and more.

Members are asked to carefully review these maps for accuracy and provide a response using an included return envelope even if there have been no new roads constructed or any changes made to road surfaces or alignment in the previous year. Your assistance is critical to the accuracy of SDDOT's public road inventory.

In addition to road information, it would also be appreciated if member cities pay close attention to the city limit boundaries represented on the map. Please report any annexations you have made or inaccuracies you find so SECOG is able to maintain accurate information.

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jason Rosas at gis@secog.org or (605) 681-8174.

Trisha Viss



SECOG would like to wish DBF's Senior Loan Officer, Trisha Viss, a farewell and best wishes as she leaves Dakota BUSINESS Finance to take on her next challenge. Trisha has been a valuable part of our team for over nine years! She has been a great friend, a great colleague, and a great business partner. Although she will be dearly missed, Dakota BUSINESS Finance is excited for her and her new opportunity as she takes on a new multi-state role in the SBA Department at First Interstate Bank.

New Approved Loans

Dakota BUSINESS Finance
South Eastern Development Foundation



Pinnacle Productions, Inc. Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase land and building with renovations

Participating Lender:

Travis Bestge, First Dakota National Bank

Lucas Erickson Balaton, MN

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Construction of a new building

Participating Lender:

Chris Hein, Compeer Financial



Dugan Sales & Service Rapid City, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase Land & Building

Participating Lender:

Travis Olsem, American Bank & Trust

605 Creative Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF & SEDF Loan

Purpose: Building renovations

Participating Lender:

Paula Brown, CorTrust Bank



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Cosand Properties, LLC

Sioux Falls, SD

SEDF Loan

Purpose: Purchase of land

Participating Lender:

Kyle Bleyenbug, Frontier Bank



Country Apple Orchards, LLC

Sioux Falls, SD

SEDF Loan

Purpose: Building Improvements &
Permanent Working Capital



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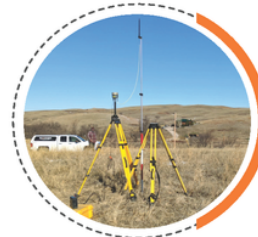
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