

MEETING MINUTES
Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development
Executive Committee

2:00 p.m., Monday, August 18, 2025
420 Watson Powell Jr. Way, Suite 200
Des Moines, IA 50309

The Executive Committee (the “Board”) of the Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development (“MIPA”) held a hybrid in-person/virtual meeting at 2:00 p.m. August 18, 2025. Notice of the meeting, including a meeting agenda, was delivered to Executive Committee members in accordance with MIPA bylaws.

ATTENDANCE

MIPA Board Members Present:

Brenda Dryer, Chair
Linda Murken, Vice-Chair
Gerald Buydos
John Cook
Jeff Davidson
Aaron DeJong
Rachel Gocken
Bob Lane
Margaret Liston
Stacie LoVan
Ryan Moffatt
Luke Parris
Greg Piklapp
Steve Schainker
Rachel Wacker
Wade Wagoneer

Staff Present:

Zhi Chen
Andrew Collings
Ethan Wherry
Lucas Young
Eric Kress

MIPA Board Members Absent:

Craig Armstrong
Shawn Bryant
Jessica Drake
Carla Eysink

1. Call to Order:

Chair Dryer called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm. A quorum was present.

2. Vote – Approval of the Agenda:

MOTION: A motion was made by Murken to approve August 21st, 2025, MIPA Executive Committee meeting agenda. Second, by Liston.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Vote – Approval of Meeting Minutes:

MOTION: A motion was made by Cook to approve July 21st, 2025, MIPA Executive Committee meeting minutes. Seconded by Moffatt.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Report and Vote – Financial Statements

Collings reported MIPA's July FY 2026 financial statements and transaction report. Staff recommended approval.

MOTION: A motion was made by LoVan to approve of the reported financial statements and transactions. Seconded by Cook.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Report and Vote – Invoices and Contracts

Collings provided a list of contracts and invoices needing approval. The list of invoices can be found in the agenda packet. Staff recommended approval. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: A motion was made by Liston to approve the contracts and invoices as presented. Seconded by Moffatt.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Report and Vote – MIPA Designation as a Council of Governments

Collings presented on MIPA seeking Council of Governments designation by the State of Iowa and the steps needed for MIPA to seek designation. Staff recommended approval. Discussion ensued.

No Vote

7. Other Non-Action Items of Interest to the Committee

None

8. Next meeting Date

Monday, September 15th at 2 pm

9. Adjournment:

Chair Dryer declared the meeting adjourned at 2:39 pm