



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday May 19, 2026

5:30 p.m. Virtual Meeting

Attendance: *Barclay Morris, Barabara Murphy, Peter Zamore, Lori Ruple, Andy Alling, Kirk Waite, Bob Buermann, Wiliam Irwin, Catherine Dimitruk*

Adjustments to the Agenda and Public Comment

P. Zamore opened the meeting. There were no adjustments to the agenda and no public comment.

Executive Director Updates

C. Dimitruk provided an update on legislative items, including S. 325 with the repeal of the road rule and Tier 3, and important changes to benefit RPCs such as a streamlined plan amendment process. H. 940 also will benefit RPCs with improvements to the energy planning process. She noted this was a good collaboration with Dept. of Public Service. The LURB hearing on the NRPC plan was held that afternoon. It went well, except for a snafu with the virtual access. To be cautious, the LURB continue to the hearing into next week to allow for full meeting access. Staff have begun work on the FY 27 budget, and the Finance Committee will be meeting to review.

Title VI Plan updates

C. Dimitruk explained that this is the last of the NRPC policies to be updated. It is required by the Federal Highway Administration. An updated plan is also required for a safety grant NRPC hopes to submit next week, for safety planning along Route 105. B. Morris noted that the changes seemed like updates rather than any changes to the policy. C. Dimitruk agreed and added that NRPC has to follow Title VI non-discrimination standards regardless of whether we have a Title VI plan. B. Murphy moved to adopt the revised plan. B. Morris seconded. Motion carried.

AI Policy Discussion

C. Dimitruk explained that at recent staff meeting, staff members were looking for guidance as to when and how AI should be used in the course of work. The Committee discussed the merits of a policy. K. Waite was concerned it would stifle innovation, W. Irwin wondered if we know enough to have a policy. The Committee further discussed the merits, and decided to have additional discussion at a future meeting. C. Dimitruk will provide the committee with sample from other places as part of that discussion.

May Board meeting

C. Dimitruk reported that the meeting will be held at the St. Albans Town Office. After consultation with the Chair, she invited Alex Farrell Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development.

There were no announcements. K. Waite moved to adjourn and B. Morris seconded. Motion carried.