



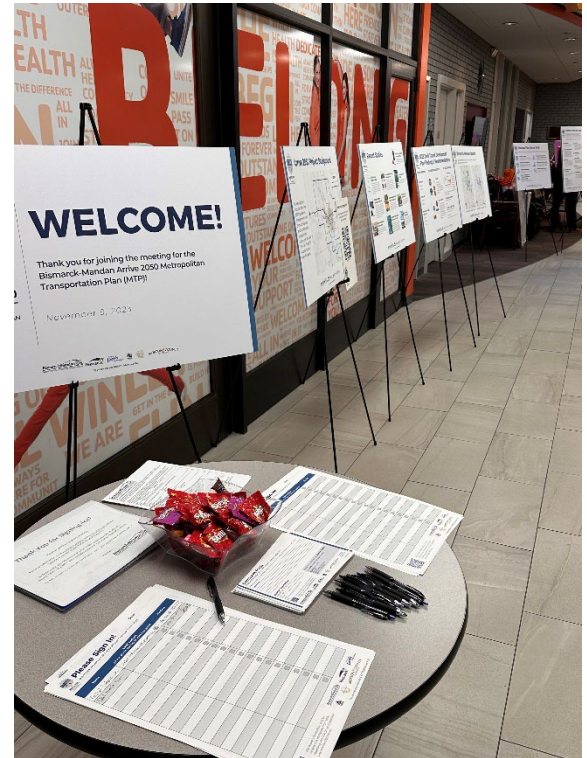
# Open House I Summary

The initial round of public engagement for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan was started by conducting two open houses on November 9, 2023. The meeting was advertised across several platforms, including the Bismarck Tribune, a press release, and social media posts on the MPO's Facebook page.

## Open House Overview

The November 9 events were in-person, where attendees were able to visit several stations to review the plan's progress and provide input. The informational boards for the two public open house events included:

- Welcome Sign
- Project Background
- Forecasted Household and Job Growth to 2050
- Summary of Recent Studies
- Summary of 2023 Transit Development Plan
- Previous Arrive 2045 Plan Goals
- Potential Arrive 2050 Plan Goals
- Plan Update Timeline



The plan input activities for the two public open house events included:

- **Arrive 2050 Goals Priorities:** for the 10 goal areas, participants were provided 5 dot stickers to place on which of those 10 goal areas they thought were most important.
- **Arrive 2050 Issues Mapping:** participants were provided maps of the area to write ideas for geographic-specific issue areas.



## Locations and Times

The two open houses were held at:

### Missouri Valley Family YMCA, Bismarck

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

1608 N Washington Street, Bismarck

### The Innovation Barn, Mandan

4 – 6 p.m.

2905 Jude Lane, Mandan



The Bismarck event was scheduled to begin at 11:30, but actually started before 11:00 as people using the YMCA started asking questions and participating in the activities while the team was setting up.

Combined between the two events it is estimated that the team interacted with approximately 40 citizens, most of them at the Bismarck event. The Bismarck event was also shown and the MTP promoted on the local Channel KX 6:00 news that evening.

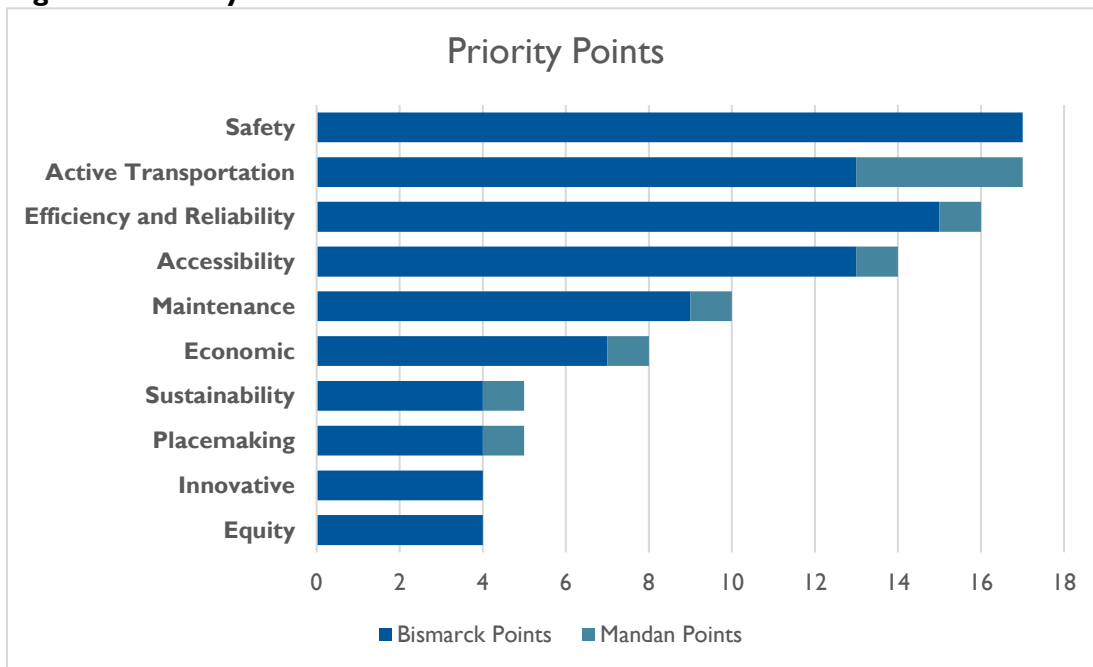
### Meeting Outcomes

For the Arrive 2050 goals priorities exercise, the combined prioritization activity point results are shown in Figure 1 below. As shown, the top three priorities according to those that participated were:

- Safety
- Active Transportation
- Efficiency and Reliability



**Figure 1. Priority Points from Public in Attendance**



For the Arrive 2050 issues mapping exercise, attendees provided 23 comments that covered a number of street and highway topics. **Figure 2** shows the location and identification (ID) number for each comment. **Table 1** provides documentation of the comments associated with each ID number.



Table 1. Mapping Comments Left by Map ID

Map ID	Associated Comment Left
1	RR crossing improvement
2	North Bridge
3	Carpark with shuttle to Central Mandan
4	Fill grid at High School
5	Snow removal on - side
6	Build Division St to Mandan Ave
7	Roundabouts are good
8	Change signal timings
9	Washington street is busy and hard to cross
10	New interchange is a good idea
11	Innovative ways to move traffic with low impact
12	Pedestrian crossing to paddle tap
13	Twin city access
14	High visibility crossing at Washington
15	New interchange go back to original location
16	Need a Northern bridge
17	Summit Point Traffic Impacts
18	Boat launch and trail access
19	Legitimacy of Mountain Bike trail
20	Congestion and safety
21	Arbor Avenue punch through
22	Real trail to Fort Lincoln
23	Find an alternative east-west through street to Main now that it's pedestrian friendly





Figure 2. Issues Mapped from Public in Attendance

