

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 5, 2018

NON-VOTING MEMPERS DRESENT

Planning Conference Room Lawrence City Hall

Attendance:

VOITING PILPIDERS PRESENT				NON-VOITING MEMBERS PRESENT		
	Χ	Leslie Herring (Alt)	City of Eudora		Paul Foundoukis	FHWA
	Χ	Keith Browning	Douglas County		Daniel Nguyen	FTA
	Χ	Ed Courton (Chair) (Alt)	Baldwin City	Χ	Sarah Hartsig	L-DC Health Dept.
	Χ	Charles Soules (Vice Chair)	Lawrence MSO			
	Χ	Scott McCullough	L-DC PDS	ST	AFF PRESENT	
	Χ	Robert Nugent	Lawrence Transit	Χ	Jessica Mortinger, AICP	L-DC MPO
		Lynley Sanford	Lecompton	Χ	Ashley Myers, AICP	L-DC MPO
	Χ	Allison Smith	KDOT	Χ	Ryan Umberger	L-DC MPO
	Х	Aaron Quisenberry	KU on Wheels	Х	April Snay	L-DC MPO

GUESTS PRESENT

1. Call Meeting to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Ed Courton called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. A quorum was present.

2. Public Comment

There were none.

3. Action Item: Approval of minutes from the November 6 meeting

Ed Courton asked if anyone had changes to the minutes. Keith Browning noted a spelling error. Allison Smith moved to approve the minutes as amended; the motion was seconded by Leslie Herring and passed unanimously 8-0.

4. Action Item: Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2019

Leslie Herring nominated Ed Courton for Chair. Scott McCullough nominated Charles Soules for Vice Chair. Ms. Herring moved Mr. Courton be reappointed as Chair and Aaron Quisenberry seconded the motion which was passed unanimously 8-0. Scott McCullough moved Mr. Soules be appointed Vice Chair. Ed Courton seconded the motion which passed unanimously 8-0.

5. Action Item: Recommend Approval of the FFY19 TIP Amendment 1

https://assets.lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/tip/2019-2022TIPA1-Summary.pdf https://assets.lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/tip/comments/TIPA1-AdminCorrection.pdf

Ashley Myers shared the new South Lawrence Trafficway widening study project added to the TIP. Ms. Myers explained there were no public comments during the public comment period, but there were administrative corrections made to several projects to combine CE and Construction and update the year of a project.

Leslie Herring asked if the new Transportation Alternative projects are to be added to the next TIP Amendment. Ashley Myers confirmed and said the next TIP Amendment will be approved in April.

Ed Courton asked for any further comments. There were none. Ed Courton moved to approve the TIP Amendment 1. The motion was seconded by Leslie Herring and passed 8-0.

6. Action Item: Recommend Approval of the 2019 Safety Targets

Ashley Myers explained the requirement to update Safety Targets annually. Jessica Mortinger proposed setting targets out one year at a time to avoid confusion. Ms. Myers explained the fatality target is now 8.7 because there were 10 fatalities in 2017 which was higher than estimated. Ms. Myers explained there were inconsistencies with KDOT's data they are currently looking into and awaiting geocoded-data for the crash reports. Charles Soules asked if there is a plan to reduce the numbers and targets. Ms. Myers said the TIP addresses how we are trying to achieve and reduce the targets. Ms. Mortinger explained more detailed data is needed before more specific recommendations can be made. Keith Browning pointed out the trend of the targets is decreasing and questioned if the target should be set lower. Ms. Myers explained the number was calculated from the previous year's number and the rate of change between all data collected. Ms. Mortinger explained it is a rolling 5 year average. Leslie Herring asked for clarification on the formula used to get 8.7 versus a lower target. Ms. Mortinger explained the rate of change is higher effecting the target. Ms. Mortinger said the staff recommendation is to maintain consistency with the formulas used in the past. Scott McCullough asked if the number in discussion is a target we are trying to reach, or a projection based on a trend line. Ms. Mortinger explained that in the beginning stages of performance based planning, the targets are projections of where the trend is moving. The goal for safety is to improve safety and help make project level decisions to reach goals. As performance based planning evolves and project selection is tied to performance measures there should be more control in setting more ambitious targets.

Ms. Myers informed the committee of changes made to the targets for the rate of fatalities per one hundred million VMT, serious injuries, and the rate of serious injuries per one hundred million VMT. Ed Courton asks if there is a reporting on serious accidents compared to overall accidents. Ms. Myers explained the measures used are serious injuries versus fatalities. Mr. Courton asked what percentage of the overall reporting was serious and what the distinction is for an injury to be considered serious. Ms. Myers said the comparison between serious injuries and fatalities could be calculated as a percentage based on the data, but is not currently evaluated. Mr. Soules asked what this information is used for. Ms. Myers said the information is incorporated into the TIP, T2040, and provided to KDOT.

Ed Courton motioned to recommend approval of the 2019 Safety Targets. Leslie Herring seconded and the motion passed unanimously 8-0.

7. Action Item: Recommend Rescission of previously established 2020 Safety Targets

Jessica Mortinger said the staff recommendation is to rescind the previously established 2020 Safety Targets to get on track with setting yearly goals. Leslie Herring asked for the rationale behind including 3 years originally. Ashley Myers explained the thought was it would be beneficial to look ahead 3 years. Ms. Mortinger explained the plan now is to incorporate each year's new data set to have more accurate targets and use the most current information to assess targets and project selection. Ed Courton moved to recommend approval of the rescission of the 2020 Safety Targets. Leslie Herring seconded and the vote passed unanimously 8-0.

8. Discussion Item: City of Lawrence Ethics Policy and Kansas Open Meetings Act Presentation https://assets.lawrenceks.org/documents/Resolutions/Resolutions-7200s/Res7269.pdf
Jessica Mortinger explained everyone in the committee is subject to the ethics policy and requested each member read through the policy and become familiar with the updates. Ms. Mortinger reminded each member of the Kansas Open Meetings Act. Aaron Quisenberry asked if public comment can occur later in a meeting after the time on the agenda has passed. Ed Courton replied public comment can be allowed at the end of an item at the Chair's discretion and explained it is important to stick to the agenda. Scott McCullough confirmed the goal of the staff should be to accommodate the public's opportunities to provide input, but respect the schedule as a business agenda.

9. Quick Updates

Ashley Myers shared 8 bike and driver safety videos were premiered and are on the <u>Share the Road</u> webpage.

Ms. Myers shared the <u>summary</u> of what has been done to reach goals and strategies set by the CPT-HSTP. Jessica Mortinger said there has been a lot of advancement with paratransit and human service providers being able to use the maintenance agreement and maintenance staff with their contract with specialized equipment. Advances in driver training and rider information have also been made and continue.

10. Other Business

Allison Smith told the committee Davonna Moore has left KDOT and is now working in the private sector. Ms. Smith announced KDOT is looking for a new Transit planner. Julie Lorenz was named the new Secretary of Transportation and Burt Morey is returning to KDOT as the State Transportation Engineer.

Jessica Mortinger asked TAC members to share updates on TA project awards. Ed Courton said Baldwin City will have a 6 foot sidewalk one mile long linking Baker University to the elementary schools through a neighborhood crossing. The city requested \$580,000 and was granted all of it. It is noted by Mr. Courton the pedestrian crossing at the railroad is being updated to ADA requirements. Leslie Herring said Eudora will be installing a 10 foot wide shared use path along the western edge of town on Winchester road. The path will connect a recreational trail with neighborhood sidewalks creating a full linkage across the west side of town. Chuck Soules said Lawrence was awarded funding to complete additional sections of the Lawrence Loop Shared Use Path.

11. Next Meeting: March 5, 2019 or another date set by the TAC The meeting adjourned at 2:33 PM.