



Meeting Minutes

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 28, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

Hybrid Meeting: *Online & 271 W. 3rd St, Room 203, Wichita, KS 67202*

Meeting Duration: *39 minutes*

Voting Members in Attendance		
Russ Kessler, <i>TAC Chair</i> Jack Brown, <i>Public Health</i> Brent Clark, <i>Freight Movement</i> Craig Crossette, <i>Regional Pathways</i> Danielle Gabor, <i>SCAC</i> Jolene Graham, <i>Economist</i> Tonja Howard, <i>Wichita Transit</i>	Mary Hunt, <i>Urban Land Use Planning & Development Trends</i> Les Mangus, <i>Butler/Sumner Counties</i> Shawn Mellies, <i>Wichita</i> Lizeth Ortega, <i>Air Quality</i> Lynn Packer, <i>Sedgwick County</i>	Justin Shore, <i>SCAC</i> Dan Squires, <i>SCAC</i> Alternates Mike Armour, <i>Wichita (voting)</i> Emily Jensen, <i>CTD #9 (voting)</i> J.B. Wilson, <i>KDOT (voting)</i>
Other Attendees		
Matt Baker, <i>JEO</i> Steve Degenhardt, <i>Wichita</i> Slade Engstrom, <i>TranSystems</i> Nick Flanders, <i>WAMPO</i> Dora Gallo, <i>WAMPO</i> Angeline Johnson, <i>Greater Wichita Partnership</i>	Alan Kailer, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i> Mohamed Moawad, <i>MAPD</i> Peter Mohr, <i>WAMPO</i> Kim Negrete, <i>WAMPO</i> Chad Parasa, <i>WAMPO</i> Kaylee Sands, <i>FTA</i>	Will Sharp, <i>FHWA</i> Pat Stivers, <i>Maize</i> Holly Terrill, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i> Kyle Thomas, <i>WAMPO</i> James Wagner, <i>Wichita</i>

1. Chair Russ Kessler called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

2. Regular Business

A. Approval of October 28, 2024, Agenda

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the October 28, 2024, agenda, as proposed. (11-0)¹

Motion: Lynn Packer

Second: Mike Armour

B. Approval of September 23, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the September 23, 2024, meeting minutes, as proposed. (13-0)²

Motion: Mike Armour

Second: Danielle Gabor

¹ Six (6) voting TAC members did not arrive until after the vote to approve the October 2024 agenda.

² Four (4) voting TAC members did not arrive until after the vote to approve the September 2024 minutes.

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C. Director's Report

i. Bimonthly TIP Project Statuses

Peter Mohr, WAMPO, explained that the WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes a Reasonable Progress Policy, under which projects programmed to receive WAMPO-suballocated funding that are scheduled to start in the current Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) or that have started but not finished (including projects that started in prior FFYs) are to have progress reports every two months. The TIP Project Statuses report for October 2024 was shared.

October 2024 TIP Project Statuses - <https://bit.ly/October2024-TIP-Project-Statuses>

ii. Regional Transit Implementation Plan Contract Extension

Mr. Mohr updated that the Regional Transit Implementation Plan contract with the consulting firm SRF is planned to be extended into 2025.

iii. 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Results

Dora Gallo, WAMPO, updated TAC on the 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Report. WAMPO's annual bicycle and pedestrian counts, conducted since 2012, offer crucial insights into nonmotorized travel trends in the region. The data help inform road improvements and nonmotorized transportation projects. They enhance public understanding of commuting, physical activity, and transportation interactions. Data collected at 36 locations in 2024 are used to project the Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) of bicycle riders and pedestrians in the region, based on national standards. WAMPO staff have compiled data, performed projections, and analyzed demographics to form a comprehensive report, and have developed a corresponding interactive map.

WAMPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Projections Data Report 2012-2024 - <https://bit.ly/409QfoF>

iv. ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition – 11/06/2024, via Zoom

Kim Negrete, WAMPO, invited members of TAC to attend the online ICT Safe Coalition meeting on November 6, 2024, and participate in one of the committees within the Coalition.

3. Public Comments

None.

4. Action

A. Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050) Project List

Mr. Mohr explained that from September 15, 2023, through February 2, 2024, WAMPO held a combined Call for Projects for Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050) and the FFY2025-FFY2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). On August 13, 2024, the TPB adopted the FFY2025-FFY2028 TIP. On October 3, 2024, the Project Selection Committee (PSC) convened to recommend a fiscally constrained list of priority projects for MTP 2050. The TAC was asked to make

a formal recommendation to the TPB on whether to approve the PSC-recommended MTP 2050 project list.

Draft MTP 2050 Fiscal Constraint Analysis - <https://bit.ly/Draft-MTP2050-Ch6>

Draft PSC-Recommended MTP 2050 Project List - <https://bit.ly/Draft-MTP2050-Ch7->

Discussion: None.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve the PSC’s project selections for the MTP 2050 project list, as presented. (17-0)

Motion: Dan Squires

Second: Brent Clark

B. 2025 Unified Planning Work Program

Chad Parasa, WAMPO, explained what the Unified Planning Work Program is. Then, the TAC was asked to make a recommendation to the TPB on the proposed 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP outlines WAMPO’s transportation planning activities and tasks to be undertaken throughout the year. The draft 2025 UPWP was available for public comment from September 9, 2024, through October 8, 2024. One public comment was received.

Draft 2025 Unified Planning Work Program - <https://bit.ly/Draft-2025-UPWP>

Discussion: None.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve the 2025 Unified Planning Work Program, as presented. (17-0)

Motion: Mike Armour

Second: Lynn Packer

5. Discussion/Updates

A. Employment Sectors

Mr. Mohr gave an update on the employment sectors in the WAMPO region. The WAMPO region is home to a diverse and vibrant economy. As a part of WAMPO's mission to serve and inform its stakeholders, staff are developing a series of presentations on seven major sectors of the local economy. This presentation focused on the energy sector in the WAMPO region.

WAMPO Energy Sector Report - https://bit.ly/WAMPO_Energy_Sector

B. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture Update

Matt Baker, JEO, shared that WAMPO has begun the process of updating the regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture, with consulting firm JEO and subcontractor TranSystems. The consultant team will assist WAMPO with the ITS Architecture and with other valuable ITS-related planning and data-sharing initiatives. Per federal guidelines, the regional ITS Architecture should be updated every 5 years. The last full ITS Architecture update was completed in 2006. The purpose of developing a regional ITS architecture is to document ITS infrastructure, devices, personnel, and maintainers so that planning, deployment, and communication can take

place in an organized and coordinated fashion. Without such a unified framework, opportunities for improving efficiency, safety, and data-sharing may be lost; at the extreme, a region could risk deploying incompatible or redundant technologies. The ITS Architecture ensures that all stakeholders are aligned on ITS gaps and priorities. In addition, Mr. Baker gave details about Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO). The presentation included an overview of TSMO. Mr. Baker also mentioned that the steering committee will be coming up with questions to ask stakeholders about this project. He suggested that TAC members email him or Mr. Mohr any questions they would like the committee to include.

Discussion:

Mr. Parasa thanked Mr. Baker for his leadership and added that there will be many things going on until February, so everyone is encouraged to give feedback.

6. Committee & Partnership Updates

None.

7. Other Business

None.

8. Meeting adjourned at 10:39 AM

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, November 25, 2024, at 10:00 AM.