

# Meeting Summary

Safety and Health Committee (SHC) Meeting Summary

Tuesday, August 03, 2022, @ 9:30 AM

Online via ZOOM

**Meeting time:** 94 Minutes

## Attendance

Mike Armour, *Wichita*  
 Ashley Bryers, *WAMPO*  
 Jack Brown, **SHC Chair**  
 Jane Byrnes  
 Mitch C  
 Georgie Carter  
 Dora Gallo, *WAMPO*  
 Tom Hein, *KDOT*  
 Alicia Hunter, *WAMPO*  
 J Hutchison

Gary Janzen, *Wichita*  
 Alan Kailer, *Bike Walk Wichita*  
 Jenny Kramer  
 Captain Wendell Nicholson,  
*City of Wichita Central/  
 Traffic Bureau*  
 Chad Parasa, *WAMPO*  
 Marcela Quintanilla, *WAMPO*  
 Nina Rasmussen, *Wichita*  
 Dan Squires, *Derby*

Eldon Taskinen, *WAMPO*  
 Cailyn Trevaskiss, *WAMPO*  
 Emily Thon, *WAMPO*  
 Scott Wadle, *Wichita*  
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**23 attendees**

**1. Welcome: Jack Brown, Chair, opened the safety and health committee meeting at 9:30 AM.**

**2. Regular Business**

**A. Approval of May 4, 2022, Agenda Summary**

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Approve May 04, 2022, Agenda

**3. Agenda Items**

**A. Broadway Safety Corridor/Implementation**

Scot Wadle and Gary Janzen presented on the Wichita Broadway Priority Safety Corridor projects, which are recommended ways to make Broadway safer and more inviting for people to travel along and across. They are also building on previous community planning efforts, and shared recommendations for designs for short- and long-term concepts. As of this meeting, there is no funding for construction and construction would require programming funding in the City CIP, getting a grant, or other funding sources.

**B. Health Maps**

Marcela Quintanilla informed the group that improving communities in the region by bridging health and transportation is of great importance to WAMPO. Physical health is influenced, in various forms, by transportation, including through access to active transportation facilities and physical activity outlets. WAMPO staff have created maps that display model-based data from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](https://www.cdc.gov) that show crude prevalence of adverse health conditions that could be reduced through physical activity such as walking and biking.

Ms. Quintanilla shared Health Condition Prevalence maps, identifying census tracts where the highest levels of health conditions like asthma, diabetes, coronary heart disease, high blood pressure, high cholesterol levels, obesity, and strokes are the most prevalent. Also shown on the maps are Environmental Justice (EJ) census tracts and bike facilities. WAMPO staff will continue to analyze health data for the region to provide tools for future planning activities.

### **C. Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) Scope of Work**

Alicia Hunter informed SHC that WAMPO is planning on applying for the Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Implementation Grant. To apply for the Implementation Grant, WAMPO must have a safety plan that was adopted or updated after 2017; the last plan was completed in 2011. WAMPO issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on July 22, 2022, seeking a consultant to develop a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) that meets the requirements set by USDOT, so WAMPO can apply for the Implementation Grant in FFY 2023. The CSAP will identify specific projects and strategies or complementary planning efforts eligible to receive funds from the Implementation Grant.

The process used to create a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan will help build consensus and momentum across the WAMPO partners and within the community to implement the actions developed. The CSAP should be guided by an inclusive definition of safe mobility. The final CSAP should outline steps the City of Wichita and the broader WAMPO region need to take to realize the commitment to Vision Zero. Vision Zero — eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries among all road users — while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility.

The resulting CSAP will address:

- What are the safety trends for the City of Wichita and broader WAMPO region?
- Who is most at risk when traveling in the City of Wichita and broader WAMPO region?
- How does the relationship between safety and health improve quality of life?
- What aspects of road, vehicle, and community design and of human behavior or psychology lead to unsafe outcomes/conditions?
- What effective technologies and tools minimize risk, improve roadway safety, and help track/monitor performance?
- How to create a culture, for WAMPO partnering agencies, of safety and shared responsibilities through Engineering, Enforcement, and Education.
- Reductions in fatalities and serious injuries.

Scope of Work

- Task 1:** Project Coordination & Management Plan
- Task 2:** Stakeholder & Public Engagement Plan
- Task 3:** State of Practice & Data Review
- Task 4:** Safety & Health Report
- Task 5:** Crash Data Analysis
- Task 6:** Countermeasure Toolboxes
- Task 7:** Implementation Plan & Programs
- Task 8:** Safe Streets Visualizations & Vision Zero Toolkit
- Task 9:** Comprehensive Safety Action Plan
- Task 10:** SS4A Implementation Grant

#### **D. Social Media Question**

Emily Thon informed the group that WAMPO wants to improve their online presence, so they can have a better way of notifying the public of meetings and events that are upcoming. The plan is to increase the frequency of posts on social media platforms such as Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, Constant Contact, and Twitter. WAMPO hopes that an increase in social media presence leads to increases in meeting attendance and public input.

WAMPO would love to hear from the Safety and Health Committee on how to better interact with the public, and what would better help SHC members receive information from WAMPO. Please email [wampo@wampo.org](mailto:wampo@wampo.org) for more information or to give comments.

#### **E. Bike/Ped Count – Volunteers are needed**

Dora Gallo said that volunteers are needed for the Bike & Pedestrian count in September 2022. She also stated that the resulting count data can be utilized to evaluate bike/ped facilities and for grant applications. Please contact [dora.gallo@wampo.org](mailto:dora.gallo@wampo.org) or 316-779-1315 if you wish to participate.

#### **4. Open Discussion**

No discussion.

#### **5. Meeting adjourned at 11:04 AM**

**The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 9:30 AM.**