



Meeting Minutes

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 27th, 2023, @ 10:00 AM

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

Meeting Duration: *98 minutes*

Voting Members in Attendance		
Russ Kessler, <i>TAC Chair</i> Raven Alexander, <i>Wichita Transit</i> Mike Armour, <i>Wichita</i> Danielle Gabor, <i>SCAC</i> Tom Hein, <i>KDOT</i> Mary Hunt, <i>Urban Land Use Planning & Development Trends</i>	Gary Janzen, <i>Wichita</i> Les Mangus, <i>Butler/Sumner Counties</i> Shawn Mellies, <i>Wichita</i> Lynn Packer, <i>Sedgwick County</i> Allison Smith, <i>KDOT</i> Dan Squires, <i>SCAC</i>	Alternates Tonja Howard, <i>Wichita Transit (non-voting)</i> Moumita Kundu, <i>Urban Land Use Planning & Development Trends (non-voting)</i> Mike Longshaw, <i>KDOT (non-voting)</i> David Schwartz, <i>KDOT (non-voting)</i>
Other Attendees		
Jake Borchers, <i>WSP</i> Ashley Bryers, <i>WAMPO</i> Cecelie Cochran, <i>FHWA</i> Ronald Colbert, <i>Valley Center</i> Craig Compton, <i>WSU</i> Liz DiPaola, <i>WSP</i> Nick Flanders, <i>WAMPO</i> Dora Gallo, <i>WAMPO</i> Paul Gunzelman, <i>Wichita</i>	Sasha Haehn, <i>JEO</i> Jeremy Hill, <i>WSU</i> Alicia Hunter, <i>WAMPO</i> Alan Kailer, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i> ThaiBinh Mursch, <i>MAPD</i> Jonathan Norris, <i>WSU</i> Chad Parasa, <i>WAMPO</i> Marcela Quintanilla, <i>WAMPO</i> Margaret Sharma, <i>Sedgwick County</i>	Brad Shores, <i>JEO</i> Vanessa Spartan, <i>KDOT</i> Eva Steinman, <i>FTA</i> Emily Thon, <i>WAMPO</i> Tyler Voth, <i>WSP</i> James Wagner, <i>Wichita</i> Maggie Wilcox, <i>KDOT</i> Kristen Zimmerman, <i>PEC</i>

1. Chair Russ Kessler called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

2. Regular Business

A. Approval of March 27, 2023, Agenda

Discussion: None

Action: Approve March 27, 2023, agenda, as proposed (10-00).¹

Motion: Chair Kessler

Second: Gary Janzen

B. Approval of February 27, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None

¹ Two (2) TAC members did not arrive until after the votes to approve the March 2023 agenda and February 2023 minutes had occurred. Of those, one was present for all subsequent votes and the other was present for all subsequent votes except for the one on Action Item 4A (“FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3: Reasonable Progress Policy”). WAMPO provides meeting minutes that are not verbatim. TAC and TPB meetings are recorded and hosted on YouTube [@WAMPO Kansas](#). To request assistance accessing meeting recordings call – (316) 779-1313 or email – wampo@wampo.org.

Action: Approve February 27, 2023, meeting minutes, as proposed (10-0).

Motion: Chair Kessler

Second: Lynn Packer

C. Director's Report

i. Federal Certification Review, Happening May 10 – 12, 2023

Cecelie Cochran, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Kansas Division, and Eva Steinman, Federal Transit Administration (FTA), said that a joint review of WAMPO's Federal Certification will take place from May 10 to May 12, 2023.

Please reach out to Cecelie Cochran at Cecelie.cochran@dot.gov or Eva Steinman at eva.steinman@dot.gov if you have any comments, questions, or concerns about this process or WAMPO.

ii. Carbon reduction program call for projects closes May 1, 2023

Chad Parasa announced that Nick Flanders, WAMPO, sent an email out to jurisdictions on how to apply for the Carbon Reduction Program. Please email Nicholas.flanders@wampo.org for more information.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Action

A. FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3: Reasonable Progress Policy

Ashley Bryers, WAMPO, said the TAC is asked to make a recommendation to the TPB on proposed Amendment #3 to the WAMPO FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Amendment #3 is a regularly scheduled TIP. The Public Comment period for Amendment #3 opened on March 11, 2023, and ran through March 25, 2023. No public comments have been received to date. Following input from the TAC and TPB, Amendment #3 includes proposed revisions to the Reasonable Progress Policy for projects programmed in the TIP to receive WAMPO-suballocated federal funds in the current Federal Fiscal Year (FFY).

Discussion: Gary Janzen suggested changing the proposed Reasonable Progress Policy text to make it mandatory for sponsors of projects that have not obligated their WAMPO-suballocated funds by May 31 to present on them to the TAC and TPB.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve the Reasonable Progress Policy component of FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3, as presented (11-0).²

Motion: Chair Kessler

Second: Lynn Packer

² One (1) TAC member did not arrive until after the vote on Action Item 4A ("FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3: Reasonable Progress Policy"), but was present for all subsequent votes.

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B. **FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3: Projects**

Ms. Bryers said the TAC is asked to make a recommendation to the TPB on proposed Amendment #3 to the WAMPO FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Amendment #3 is a regularly scheduled TIP amendment and would maintain the fiscal constraint of the FFY2023-FFY2026 TIP. The Public Comment period for Amendment #3 opened on March 11, 2023, and ran through March 25, 2023. No public comments have been received to date. In addition to the Reasonable Progress Policy revisions from Agenda Item 4A, Amendment #3 includes additions and revisions of specific projects.

Discussion: None.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve the project addition/modification component of FFY2023-FFY2026 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #3 (12-0).

Motion: Chair Kessler

Second: Gary Janzen

C. **2023 Transit Asset Management (TAM) Targets**

Alicia Hunter, WAMPO, said the FHWA and FTA jointly issued a Planning Rule that establishes various performance measures to assess roadway safety (PM1), pavement and bridge condition (PM2), system performance and freight movement (PM3), transit asset management (TAM), and transit safety. State DOTs and MPOs are required to set targets for the various federal performance measures. WAMPO has chosen to support and accept KDOT's 2023 TAM targets for the WAMPO region (excluding Wichita Transit's and City of Derby's service area) and Wichita Transit's 2023 - 2026 TAM targets for Wichita Transit's and City of Derby's service areas within the WAMPO region.

Discussion: None.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve 2023 Transit Asset Management (TAM) Targets (12-0).

Motion: Chair Kessler

Second: Danielle Gabor

5. **Discussion/Updates**

A. **K-96 Improvements**

Jake Borchers, WSP, presented an update regarding the K-96 Improvement Project. The south and east end have been extended since the last update, and they are looking at improving multiple interchanges. This is to enhance safety for all users. For more information please go to: www.k96improvements.com

Discussion: Mary Hunt asked for clarification regarding the projection of traffic in 2050. Mr. Borchers stated that traffic flow will double by then and these changes will accommodate that growth. The data was collected by counts and projections.

B. Issue Briefs: Impact of Physical Activity, Distracted Driving, and Motor Vehicle Fatalities in Sedgwick County

Margaret Sharma, Sedgwick County Health Department, presented that the Sedgwick County Health Department developed three issue briefs based on discussions about the Health and Safety Memo Burgess & Niple, Inc. is creating for the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan process at the February 1, 2022, Safety and Health Committee meeting.

To view those reports, click here:

Impact of Physical Activity on Health - <https://bit.ly/ImpactofPhysicalActivity>

Distracted Driving and the Impact on Pedestrian and Bicyclist Deaths - <https://bit.ly/DistractedDrivingTAC>

Motor Vehicle Fatalities in Sedgwick County - <https://bit.ly/MotorVehicleFatalities>

C. Housing Costs and Labor Mobility

Jonathan Norris, Craig Compton, and Jeremy Hill, WSU Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CEDBR), presented draft reports/data prepared for WAMPO about housing costs and labor mobility.

For more information, please go to:

Labor Mobility Report - <https://bit.ly/LaborMobility2>

Discussion: Mary Hunt asked a clarification question regarding what income they used to determine. Mr. Norris responded that it was gross income before taxes.

D. Household, Government Vitality, and Business Dynamism Indexes – Jonathan Norris and Jeremy Hill, CEDBR

Craig Compton and Johnathan Norris, WSU Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CEDBR), presented draft reports and dashboards prepared for WAMPO on indexes of business dynamism, government vitality, and the state of households in the region. To view those reports please go to:

Household Index Report - <https://bit.ly/HouseholdIndexReport>

Government Vitality Index Report - <https://bit.ly/GovernmentVitalityIndexReport>

Business Dynamism Index Report - <https://bit.ly/BusinessDynamismIndexReport>

E. 2021 AADT Report – Alicia Hunter, WAMPO

Ms. Hunter presented that AADT is one of the most widely used data elements in transportation planning and traffic engineering. Using KDOT data, WAMPO staff have developed a 2021 Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) Report to illustrate traffic volumes on seven (7) major corridors within the WAMPO region.

That report can be found here: 2021 AADT Report - <https://bit.ly/AADT2023TAC>

F. Sedgwick County vs. Johnson County Crashes –

Vanessa Spartan, Chief of Transportation Safety at KDOT, presented this information. KDOT staff developed a memo comparing Sedgwick County's reported crashes to Johnson County's reported crashes occurring between 2017 and 2021. That can be found here: Comparison of Reported Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes in Sedgwick and Johnson Counties Memo - <https://bit.ly/5fTACUpdate>

6. Committee & Partnership Updates

A. United Community Transit Coalition

Ms. Bryers presented that the newest WAMPO committee UCTC is hosting a logo design contest. Please email Ashley.bryers@wampo.org for more information or please go to: <https://www.wampo.org/uctc> .

7. Other Business

No other business.

8. Meeting adjourned at 11:41 AM

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 10:00 AM.