

Transportation Policy Body (TPB) Meeting Summary Tuesday, September 14th @ 3:00 PM Hybrid Meeting

Meeting Duration: 59 minutes

Members in Attendance:

David Dennis, TPB Chair Bruce Armstrong, Haysville Jim Benage, Bel Aire Jared Cerullo, Wichita Donna Clasen, Maize Cindy Claycomb, Wichita Ronald Colbert, Valley Center Bryan Frye, Wichita Jack Hezlep, Derby
Jim Howell, Sedgwick Co.
Tom Jones, Park City
Sarah Lopez, Sedgwick Co.
Pete Meitzner, Sedgwick Co.
Mike Moriarty, KDOT
Warren Porter, Rose Hill
Troy Tabor, Andover

Brent Terstriep, KDOT
Becky Tuttle, Wichita
Alt:
Tom Hein, KDOT
Anne Stephens, Bel Aire

Tom Stolz, Sedgwick Co.

Other Attendees:

Greg Allison, MKEC
Jane Byrnes
Nick Flanders, WAMPO
Gary Janzen, Wichita
Brett Letkowski. TranSystems
Shawn Mellies, Wichita
Matt Messina, KDOT

Lynn Packer, Sedgwick Co. Chad Parasa, WAMPO Kelly Rundell, Hite, Fanning & Honeyman LLP Paul Schiffelbein, MAPD Jordan Silvers, WAMPO Patty Sykes, WAMPO Mike Tann, Wichita Transit Scott Wadle, Wichita James Wagner. Wichita Kristi Wilson, KDOT Kristen Zimmerman, PEC

1. Mr. Dennis called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

2. Regular Business

A. Approval of September 14th, 2021 Agenda

Discussion: None

Action: Moved to approve agenda as presented. Motion passed (18-0).

Motion: D. Dennis Second: B. Frye

B. Approval of August 10th, 2021 Minutes

Discussion: None

Action: Moved to approve minutes. Motion passed (18-0).

Motion: D. Dennis Second: T. Jones

C. TPB Chairman's Report

i. Director's Report

Overview & Updates

The WAMPO Project Selection Committee will meet September 24th at 9:00 AM to discuss which projects will be recommended to the TAC and TPB to receive CRRSAA, HIP, and Year-End Balance funds. Any resulting TIP amendments will be part of TIP Amendment #5. There is a possible MTP amendment because of the development of IKE projects, as well as an amendment to the 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to reconcile tasks planned for and tasks occurred. The 2022 UPWP is currently in development.

Bike Ped Counts—September 23 & 25

WAMPO's current headcount for the annual bike/ped count is 57 volunteers. Staff is hoping to recruit a few more volunteers to get coverage for both days at each site.

3. Public Comment Opportunity - None

4. New Business

A. <u>Update: Transportation System Safety Improvement - Vision Zero</u>

Nick Flanders, Jordan Silvers, and Chad Parasa presented a status update on discussions that occurred at the Safety & Health Committee meeting held on August 18th, namely the transportation safety philosophy of Vision Zero. Staff presented an example from the Denver MPO's Vision Zero Plan. Vision Zero is a traffic-safety strategy that sets a goal of zero fatalities/serious injuries from traffic collisions via inter-agency and local government coordination and an increased emphasis on safety in planning documents. Staff could program some UPWP 2022 budget if any member jurisdiction is interested in partnering to perform a Safety Study.

B. <u>Update: City of Wichita's Land-use & Transportation Growth and its plans to connect with the Region</u>

Scott Wadle, director of Wichita-Sedgwick County MAPD, presented on the city of Wichita. The city makes up 78% of the WAMPO population. Wichita welcomes a high number of commuters daily and sends commuters out of the city to neighboring jurisdictions, making it integral to the transportation systems of the region. The city's comprehensive Community Investments Plan, adopted in 2015, outlines strategies regarding future growth through 2035 within the city and county. Pilot projects, such as electric scooters and Bike Share ICT, provide more transportation options for city residents.

5. Committee & Partnership Updates

A. **Executive Committee**

A discussion was held over the KDOT Local Consult held on September 9th, which will help to focus the direction of transportation planning moving forward. WAMPO provided a funding spreadsheet for the Executive Committee, which led to a discussion of when and how to pay down WAMPO's debt to the City of Wichita, possibly enabling a reduction in TIP fees.

B. Committees: Active Transportation Committee; Safety & Health

The next Safety & Health Committee meeting will be held on November 3rd at 9:30 AM. The next Active Transportation Committee meeting will be held on December 1st at 9:30 AM.

C. KDOT, Wichita Metro

EB US-54 ramps to the Turnpike are scheduled to open September 20th. The following projects are on track to finish by the end of the year: bridge replacements over the railroad at I-235 and S. West St; I-235 Green Project (between N. Meridian and east of N. Broadway); phase 5 of WICHway cameras, message boards and sensors installation; WB K-96 at Ridge Rd bridge deck repairs.

D. KDOT

The KDOT Local Consult had over 100 people participate in the Wichita-metro session. The Heartland Flyer is the first non-roadway project to be put on the expansion project list. If you still wish to provide input for the KDOT Local Consult Process for the Wichita Metro, please go to the following URL by September 17th: https://www.ksdotike.org/projects/local-consult-process

E. FHWA

The FHWA is currently working with WAMPO to finalize the freight assessment program. There will likely be new guidelines regarding integrating other multimodal facets and advancing safety and complete streets in the planning process.

- 6. Other Business None
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 3:59 PM.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 12th, 2021 at 3:00 PM.