

**OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2020**

The Technical Planning Committee of the Ozarks Transportation Organization met at its scheduled time via Zoom video conferencing. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was called to order at approximately 1:30 p.m. by Chair Andrew Nelson.

The following members were present:

Ms. Paula Brookshire, City of Springfield (a)	Ms. Mary Kromrey, Ozark Greenways
Mr. Eric Claussen, City of Springfield (a)	Mr. Frank Miller, MoDOT
Ms. Megan Clark, SMCOG	Mr. Andrew Nelson, City of Republic (Chair)
Ms. Brandie Fisher, City Utilities Transit (a)	Ms. Britni O'Connor, MoDOT
Ms. Dawne Gardner, City of Springfield (a)	Mr. Jeremy Parsons, City of Ozark
Mr. Adam Humphrey, Greene County	Mr. Danny Perches, Springfield Chamber of Commerce
Mr. Zeke Hall, MoDOT	Mr. Cole Pruitt, Missouri State University
Mr. Kirk Juranas, City of Springfield	Mr. Jeff Roussell, City of Nixa

(a) Denotes alternate given voting privileges as a substitute when voting member not present

The following members were not present:

Mr. Mokhtee Ahmad, FTA Representative	Mr. Bradley McMahan, FHWA
Mr. Rick Artman, Greene County	Mr. Cathy Monroe, FTA Representative (a)
Mr. Joshua Bird, Christian County (a)	Mr. John Montgomery, Ozark Greenways (a)
Ms. Kristy Bork, Springfield/Branson Airport (a)	Mr. Kent Morris, Greene County Planning
Mr. Randall Brown, City of Willard	Mr. Jason Ray, SMOG (a)
Mr. John Caufield, BNSF	Mr. David Schaumburg, Springfield/Branson Airport
Mr. Doug Colvin, City of Nixa (a)	Mr. Mark Schenkelberg, FAA Representative
Mr. Matt Crawford, City Utilities Transit	Ms. Mary Lilly Smith, City of Springfield
Mr. Martin Gugel, City of Springfield	Mr. Frank Schoneboom, City of Battlefield
Mr. Kevin Lambeth, City of Battlefield (a)	Ms. Janette Vomund, MoDOT
Mr. Joel Keller, Greene County (a)	Mr. Chad Zickefoose, MoDOT (a)
Mr. John McCart, City of Ozark (a)	Mr. Todd Wiesehan, Christian County (Vice Chair)

Others present were: Mr. Jeremy Pruett, Congressman Billy Long's Office; Mr. David Faucett, Ms. Sara Fields, Ms. Natasha Longpine, and Mr. Andy Thomason, Ozarks Transportation Organization.

I. Administration

A. Introductions

Chair Andrew Nelson welcomed everyone and thanked members for participating via Zoom.

B. Approval of the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda

Mr. Pruitt moved for approval of the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for May 20, 2020. Mr. Juranas seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson asked for a roll call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	-	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	Aye	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

C. Approval of the May 15, 2019 Minutes

Mr. Juranas moved for approval of the minutes from the January 15, 2020 Technical Planning Committee Meeting. Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson asked for a roll call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	-	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	Aye	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

D. Public Comment Period for All Agenda Items

There were no speakers present to address the Committee.

E. Staff Report

Ms. Fields explained the OTO's efforts to respond to COVID-19. She said the OTO's offices are now open by appointment only. Committee and Board meetings are occurring via Zoom. The board met in April, and the TIM subcommittee, LCBT, and BPAC met in early May.

Ms. Fields also updated the committee on annual project prioritization. Ms. Fields and Ms. Longpine have met with all nine jurisdictions to identify priorities for the FY 2022-2026 STIP.

She expects to convene the STIP prioritization committee in August or September. As far as the STIP and TIP for the period beginning FY 2021, MoDOT and the OTO have opted not to develop new programs. Projects that have been entered for the new TIP will be added to the current TIP with a large amendment later this summer.

Ms. Fields also reported she is monitoring the possibility of infrastructure funding in future COVID relief bills. AASTHO is projecting a 30% decline in revenue over the next 18 months and is asking for nearly \$50 billion to offset this lost funding.

F. Legislative Reports

Mr. Pruett discussed the prospects of the HEROES Act and other potential COVID relief packages.

II. Old Business:

A. OTO Growth Trends Report

Mr. Faucett presented the calendar year 2019 Growth Trends Report. The presentation included information on construction activity, population change, migration, and economic growth. He identified cyclical patterns to multifamily construction and discussed IRS migration data that had been unavailable for a few years. During his presentation, Mr. Faucett also highlighted certain maps he would exclude from future iterations of the Growth Trends Report.

Mr. Nelson said this agenda item was informational only.

B. FY 2020-2023 TIP Administrative Modification Four

Ms. Longpine discussed minor changes to funding sources and timing for the Grant Avenue Parkway Project included as part of this administrative modification.

Mr. Nelson said this agenda item was informational only.

C. FY 2020-2023 TIP Amendment Four

Ms. Longpine presented information on nine proposed changes requested by MoDOT. The projects are primarily resurfacing and pavement projects along lettered routes and I-44 outer roads. There is one project for ADA improvements along Norton Road and one project for scoping along Kansas Expressway. These projects are being added based on MoDOT's short term funding expectations.

Mr. Juranas moved to recommend the Board of Directors approve Amendment Number Four to the FY 2020-2023 TIP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pruitt. Mr. Nelson called for a role call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	-
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	Aye	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

D. Congestion Management Process

Mr. Thomason introduced the Congestion Management Process. Instead of a typical presentation, he showed a brief video highlighting the key features of the new CMP. Mr. Thomason asked if members had any questions when the video was completed. None were asked.

Mr. Juranas moved to recommend the Board of Directors approve the new Congestion Management Process. Mr. Parsons seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson called for a role call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	-	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

E. Ozarks Regional Bicycle Destination Plan

Mr. Thomason reported the BPAC had recommended the OTO Board of Directors endorse the Ozarks Regional Bicycle Destination Plan during its last meeting. He reported the plan is not a traditional transportation plan, rather it is a marketing plan for developing the Ozarks into a bicycle tourism destination. He discussed the evolution of the plan and BPAC's continued support for the plan's goals. He also offered Ms. Longpine and Ms. Kromrey an opportunity to add any details.

Mr. Parsons moved to recommend the Board of Directors endorse the Ozarks Regional Bicycle

Destination Plan. Ms. Kromrey seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson called for a roll call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	-	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

F. FY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program

Ms. Fields gave a brief overview of the FY 2021 UPWP. She said the primary tasks are the same as in past plans. She noted an unexpected increase in PL funds allowed her to reduce the expected use of STBG-U funds. She does not expect to draw the full \$200,000 allowed by the Board for the foreseeable future. She noted the UPWP Subcommittee and the Executive Committee recommended approval of FY 2021 UPWP.

Mr. Pruitt moved to recommend the Board of Directors approve the FY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program. Mr. Humphry seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson asked for a roll call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Schoneboom, Frank	-
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	Aye	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

G. Additional Federal Funding

Ms. Fields discussed the OTO's history of receiving transportation funds as part of the annual omnibus budget bills in FY 2018, 2019, and now FY 2020. She reported the FY 18 and 19 funds had been allocated for bicycle and pedestrian projects by the Board of Directors. She then reviewed the options for the FY 2020 funds, including awarding the funds to the City of Republic to complete the Shuyler Creek Trail extension. She said the Executive Committee had reviewed

the options and had voted to recommend the funds be used to complete the Shuyler Creek project.

Ms. Kromrey moved to recommend the Board of Directors award the \$471,885 in additional funding to the City of Republic for the completion of the Shuyler Creek Trail extension. Mr. Perches seconded the motion. Mr. Nelson called for a roll call vote.

Artman, Rick	-	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Binkley, Joel	-	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Brown, Randall	-	Perches, Danny	Aye
Caufield, John	-	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Fisher, Brandie	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Claussen, Eric	Aye	Schaumburg, David	-
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Humphrey, Adam	Aye	Shaw, Travis	-
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Gardner, Dawne	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Aye	<i>Strafford Representative</i>	-
Miller, Frank	Aye	Vomund, Janette	-
Nelson, Andrew	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	-

The motion passed.

H. Public Participation Plan Annual Evaluation

Mr. Faucett went through the findings of the Public Participation Plan Annual Evaluation. He reported the OTO had accomplished all the tasks it had established for 2019. He also went through several participation related performance measures. Finally, he covered the tasks set for the upcoming year.

Mr. Nelson said this agenda item was informational only.

I. Federal Funds Balance Report

Ms. Longpine gave a brief overview of the Funds Balance Report, dated March 31, 2020. She highlighted the high STBG-U and TAP balances. Ms. Longpine and Ms. Fields stressed the importance of obligating funds before the end of the fiscal year. Ms. Fields also said it was hard to advocate for additional federal funds when the OTO was carrying such large balances.

Ms. Longpine asked each jurisdiction to review the report for errors or changes in project status.

Mr. Nelson said this agenda item was informational only.

J. MoDOT STIP Development Update

Mr. Miller discussed how the COVID-19 pandemic had impacted MoDOT's STIP development. He said MoDOT was projecting a 30% decline in revenue and that MoDOT leadership has decided to not develop a new STIP. Projects will be added to the existing STIP on a month-by-month basis as they monitor cash flow. No projects are expected to be canceled, though many have been delayed. Projects on James River Freeway and MO 14 are two that he is watching. He said MoDOT appreciates everyone's flexibility as they work through this uncertain time.

III. Other Business:

A. Technical Planning Committee Member Announcements

Mr. Miller announced that MoDOT was awarded a FLAP grant for a roundabout at Route ZZ and Farm Road 182. The amount of the grant has not been determined.

B. Transportation Issues for Technical Planning Committee Member Review

There were no issues raised.

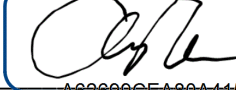
C. Articles for Technical Planning Committee Member Information

Mr. Nelson noted there had been several articles distributed in the agenda packet and encouraged the members of the Committee to review them as they had time.

IV. Adjournment

With no additional business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:55 p.m.

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Andrew Nelson

Technical Planning Committee Chair