

**Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)  
Policy Board Meeting Minutes-Thursday, August 20, 2015**

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**Attendance:**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Voting Members</b>		
Lawrence City Commission	Matthew Herbert	
Lawrence City Commission	Stuart Boley	<b>x</b>
Douglas County Commission	Nancy Thellman	<b>x</b>
L-DC Metropolitan Planning Commission	Jim Denney	<b>x</b>
L-DC Metropolitan Planning Commission	Bryan Culver (Chair)	<b>x</b>
City of Eudora	Tim Reazin	<b>x</b>
Kansas Department of Transportation	Cory Davis	<b>x</b>
<b>Non-Voting Members</b>		
Federal Highway Administration	Paul Foundoukis	
Federal Transit Administration	Daniel Nguyen	
University of Kansas	Paul Graves	
City of LeCompton	Mary Jane Hoffer	
City of Baldwin City	Marilyn Pearse	
<b>Staff</b>		
Lawrence - Douglas County MPO	Jessica Mortinger, AICP	<b>x</b>
City of Lawrence-Douglas County Planning & Development Services Dept.	Scott McCullough, AICP	
Lawrence – Douglas County MPO	Seokwon Kim	<b>x</b>
<b>Others</b>		
Kansas Department of Transportation	Allison Smith	<b>x</b>
City of Lawrence Public Works Dept.	David Cronin	<b>x</b>
Olsson Associates	Tom Worker-Braddock	<b>x</b>
City of Lawrence Public Works Dept.	Zach Baker	<b>x</b>

**1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions**

Bryan Culver called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM and introductions were made.

**2. Action Item: Approval of Minutes from the July 16, 2015 MPO Meeting**

Bryan Culver presented the minutes and asked if there was any discussion. There was none. Approval of the minutes was moved by, seconded by and passed unanimously 4-0 with Bryan Culver abstaining.

**3. Discussion Item: Old Business and Correspondence**

Jessica Mortinger presented the Projects Update Memo included in the agenda packet and noted the link to the TAC minutes posted online. Tim Reazin asked if changes to elementary school bus routes and drop off zones would have any impact on Safe Routes to School Planning. Jessica noted MPO staff was working with the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department on getting feedback for proposed routes at the school teams SRTS fair at Liberty Memorial Central Middle school at a date TBD because of conflicts with the Taste of Lawrence event. Primary networks based on likely pedestrian destinations would be developed for Baldwin City and Eudora. Jessica added primary networks based on pedestrian destinations

were underway for the City of Eudora and Baldwin City. Bryan Culver asked how many bicycle pedestrian count locations were counted each year. Jessica noted there were typically around 20 depending on the weather and number of volunteers.

**4. Action Item: Action/Discussion Item: 2015-2019 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment #2 ([www.lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/tip/2015-2019TIP-A2DRAFT.pdf](http://www.lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/tip/2015-2019TIP-A2DRAFT.pdf))**

Jessica Mortinger presented 2015-2019 TIP Amendment #2. This draft TIP amendment was out for public comment from July 28th to August 12th. No comments were submitted on the draft. The amendment includes project additions and changes from KDOT and local governments in the region. The TAC had a discussion revising the existing two page definition of regionally significant to simplify it however, they did not agree to a definition for this TIP amendment. It will be expected as part of a future amendment. David Cronin asked where the KDOT City Connecting Link or KLINK project was located on the amendment. Jessica Mortinger noted that the project for proposed 2018 KLINK didn't have confirmed funding from KDOT and wasn't included in this amendment. A motion to approve the TIP amendment #2 was made by Nancy Thellman, seconded by Tim Reazin and passed unanimously, 6-0.

**5. Other Business**

Cory Davis noted the Competitive-Consolidated Planning Grant Applications were being processed by KDOT and results would be available by the next scheduled MPO meeting.

Cory noted that there is a pending call for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding. It is expected to be open mid-September and due in November. and a KDOT workshop would be held on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

**6. Public Comments**

There was none.

**7. Adjournment**

The August 2015 MPO meeting adjourned at 4:17 PM

Next Meeting: The MPO Policy Board will meet next for its regularly scheduled meeting on September 17th, 2015 or another date set by the MPO if needed.