

MPO Policy Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 19th, 2019

City Commission Room Lawrence City Hall

Attendance:

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT			ST	STAFF PRESENT		
X	Jennifer Ananda (V-C) (via phone)	Lawrence City Commission	Χ	Scott McCullough, AICP	L-DC PDS	
	Michelle Derusseau (Chair)	Douglas County Commission	Χ	Jessica Mortinger, AICP	L-DC MPO	
	Matthew Herbert	Lawrence City Commission	Χ	Ashley Myers, AICP	L-DC MPO	
X	Matthew Messina	KS Dept. of Transportation	X	Cece Riley	L-DC MPO	
	Jimmy Wilkins	City of Lecompton				
X	Rob Sands (via phone/in person)	L-DC Planning Commission				
Χ	Eric Struckhoff (via phone)	L-DC Planning Commission				
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				GUESTS		
	Brian Cramer	City of Baldwin City	Χ	John Bradley, DVM	Resident	
	Paul Foundoukis	FHWA	X	Scott Zaremba	Resident	
	Daniel Nguyen	FTA				
	Jeff Severin	University of Kansas				
	Tim Reazin	City of Eudora				

Meeting Audio – Time stamps are next to agenda items.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions -0.00

Matthew Messina filled in as Chair and called the meeting to order at 3:11 PM. A quorum was present.

2. Public Comment – 0:40

There were none.

3. Action Item: Approval of Minutes from August 15, 2019 – 0:50

Jennifer Ananda motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Rob Sands; the motion passed unanimously, 4-0

4. Discussion Item: Updates – 1:40

- a. Project Updates Memo
 - Bicycle & Pedestrian Counts
 - Downtown Bike Parking Counts
 - Safe Routes to School (Lawrence, Eudora, Baldwin City)

b. Recent TAC meeting minutes – www.lawrenceks.org/boards/technical-advisory-committee

• TAC – August 13th Meeting – approved and posted online

Jessica Mortinger presented progress on Safe Routes to School counting and the Parent Survey. Matthew Messina asked how information was being gathered for counts, if it was machines or volunteers. Ms. Mortinger explained this counting project is part of our annual counting program and is done through volunteers only. It is not the MPO's turn to use the automated counters we are sharing with the Flint Hills and Topeka MPOs.



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5. Action Item: Approval of the East 23rd Street Multimodal Corridor Plan– 3:24 https://assets.lawrenceks.org/mpo/23Study/DraftPlan.pdf https://assets.lawrenceks.org/mpo/23Study/23studyPP-MPO.pdf

Ms. Mortinger presented the PowerPoint developed by Olsson to explain the 23rd Street Corridor Study vision and implementation strategy for 23rd Street. The planning process provided an opportunity for the public to reimagine the street. This plan lays the foundation for the design of 23rd Street from the Haskell Bridge to 600 feet east of Anderson Ave. when it is reconstructed in 2021-22. Rob Sands asked if 23rd will still be a designated truck route and was concerned about new lane widths being adequate. Ms. Mortinger said yes, this will remain a truck route and due to the traffic calming conditions and reduced speeds the new lane widths will be sufficient. John Bradley inquired about the timeline for the project. Ms. Mortinger reported Municipal Services and Operations (MSO) is to begin searching for a design consult in 2020 and reconstruction should begin in 2021. Scott Zaremba asked if there would be road maintenance completed before reconstruction. Scott McCullough said that would be a discussion for MSO. Ms. Mortinger said the TAC recommended approval at their September 3rd meeting. Mathew Sands motioned to approve the East 23rd Street Multimodal Corridor Plan, seconded by Ms. Ananda; the motioned passed unanimously, 4-0.

6. Other Business– *23:45* There was none

7. Adjournment – *24:01* Meeting adjourned at 3:35 PM.