REQUESTED ATTENDEES:

Voting Members
1. Robert Nugent (Lawrence Transit Administrator)
2. Carrie Lindsey (Lawrence Housing Authority)
3. Danny Kaiser (KU on Wheels Manager)
4. Stacey Schwartz (Independence Inc.)
5. Heather Thies (Cottonwood Inc.)
6. Tina Roberts (Douglas County Senior Services)
7. Tracy Kihm (Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center)
8. (Douglas County Private sector provider)
9. Debbie Walker (Pioneer Ridge Assisted Living)

Non-Voting Members
1. Scott Lein (CTD #1 Program Consultant - KDOT)
2. Claudia Hill (Federal Transit Administration - Region 7 Office)
3. Douglas County Private Transit Providers, or Assisted Living Center Transit Providers not presently represented on the RTAC by a voting member
4. Shawn Strate (Johnson County Transit)

Staff
1. Todd Girdler (Senior Transportation Planner)
2. Jessica Mortinger (Transportation Planner)

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Action Item: Approval of Minutes from the August 30th, 2012 Meeting (draft attached)

3. Discussion Item: Independence Inc.
   Staff will introduce the Executive Director of Independence Inc. to discuss the future of their transportation services.

4. Discussion Item: Taxicab License – Lawrence City Code (draft attached)
   Staff will present the proposed draft amendment to the Lawrence City Code for Taxicab Licenses.

5. Discussion Item: Maintenance Opportunities
   MPO Staff, Maintenance Subcommittee Chair Bob Nugent and Guest Patricia Weaver, Executive Director of KUTC will present some ideas for the future programs and opportunities for providers.

6. Discussion Item: EPA Workshop Application
   Eileen Horn, Sustainability Coordinator applied for an EPA technical assistance offer through the Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities Program. The application will ask the EPA to select our community to host a workshop that will provide some targeted solutions to: Neighborhood Planning for Healthy Aging. That workshop will help
communities explore the role of supportive neighborhood design in creating great places. If chosen, the workshop and action on this assistance is planned for Spring/Summer 2013.

7. **Discussion Item: MAP-21 Impact on Providers**
   Staff will present some general information about MAP-21 and how it will impact transit providers. Many details about those impacts are still unclear and involve decisions by the FTA and KDOT that have yet to be made.

8. **Discussion Item: Multimodal Studies**
   MPO Staff will update the RTAC on the Multimodal Studies Project.

9. **Action Item: Elect a Chair and Vice Chair for 2013.**
   The MPO staff will ask the RTAC members to elect officers for 2013.

10. **Other Business**

11. **Public Comments:** This item is to allow brief public comments on items not listed specifically on the agenda. Comments from each individual or organization will be limited to five minutes.

12. **Next Meeting:** future date set by the RTAC

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REGIONAL TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RTAC)
Minutes for Thursday August 30, 2012 Meeting

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:
Robert Nugent (Lawrence Transit Administrator)
Danny Kaiser (KU on Wheels Manager)
Patty Gibbons (Independence Inc.)
Heather Thies (Cottonwood Inc.)
Tina Roberts (Douglas County Senior Services)
Tracy Kihm (Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:
Scott Lein (KDOT CTD #1 Program Coordinator)

STAFF PRESENT:
Todd Girdler (L-DC MPO Senior Transportation Planner)
Jessica Mortinger (L-DC MPO Transportation Planner)

OTHER:
Randy Larkin (City of Lawrence Attorney)

Item 1: Call to Order – Tracy Kihm called the meeting to order at 1:26 PM, a quorum was present.

Item 2: Action Item: of Minutes from the March 15th, 2011 Regular Meeting
Tracy Kihm asked if anyone had any changes to the minutes, no changes were requested. Heather Thies made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Patty Gibbons, the motion passed unanimously.

Item 3: Discussion Item: T-2040 Stakeholder Interview
Ms. Mortinger led the members through some exercises to document transportation issues, concerns and priorities. Members participated in the solicitation of ideas. A detailed summary of the issues discussed will be compiled via MPO staff and included in the public participation program for Transportation 2040.

Item 4: Taxicab License- Lawrence City Code
Ms. Mortinger shared the current regulations in the city code for taxicab license. Currently these regulations prevent providers from charging a fare. This has resulted in them only being able to request a donation. Ms. Gibbons said this has impacted the Independence Inc bottom line and that is why she asked Ms. Mortinger if there is anything that can be done about it. Ms. Mortinger said she spoke with Mr. Larkin to discuss the difference between providers at the table and a traditional taxi service. Since state and federally funded providers are required to meet a higher level of inspections for vehicles and driver training, it didn’t make sense for them to be held to a lower city standard. Mr. Larkin said that following the discussion that the city would suspend enforcement of the Taxicab licensure for FTA 5310 and 5311 recipients until a code change could be written and approved by the City Commission. Ms. Mortinger and Mr. Larkin will work to write a code amendment and follow up with RTAC.

Item 5: RTAC maintenance subcommittee
Ms. Mortinger provided RTAC members with a draft copy of the meeting notes from the maintenance subcommittee’s first meeting and Mr. Nugent reviewed the discussion. The next maintenance meeting will be in the next few months.

Item 9: Other Business
Mr. Nugent informed the RTAC members the Retiree Attraction Taskforce report has been submitted to the City Commission and the group is working to create alternatives or action steps for ongoing work.
Item 10: Public Comments: No public comments.

Item 11: Next Meeting: The next meeting will be scheduled and held in December or January and will follow up ongoing issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.
ORDINANCE NO. ___

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS, AMENDING CHAPTER VI, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 6-610 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS, 2011 EDITION, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, PERTAINING TO THE REGULATION OF TAXICABS, AND REPEALING EXISTING SECTION 6-610.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 6-610 of the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 Edition, and amendments thereto, is amended to read as follows:

6-610 APPLICATION OF ARTICLE.

(a) The provisions of this Article shall not apply to motor vehicles between fixed points within the City, nor between points without the City and points within the City, nor to vehicles operating between points without the City and whose route lies in or through the City. (Code 1979, 6-610)

(b) The provisions of this Article shall not apply to motor vehicles operated by any entity awarded operating funds by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and/or Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) for the provision of urban, rural, and/or paratransit and human services transportation within the City, or to motor vehicles funded by the FTA and or KDOT for the provision of urban, rural, and/or paratransit and human services transportation within the City.

SECTION 2. Section 6-610 of the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 Edition, and amendments thereto, is hereby repealed, it being the intent of the Governing Body that Section 1 of this Ordinance supersede the same.

SECTION 3. If any section, clause, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is found to be unconstitutional or is otherwise held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the validity of any remaining parts of this ordinance.

SECTION 4: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect immediately following its adoption and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, this ____ day of November, 2012.

APPROVED:

___________________________________
Robert J. Schumm
Mayor
ATTEST:

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Jonathan M. Douglass
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Toni R. Wheeler
City Attorney

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