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To: Fixed-Route Transit and Pedestrian Accessibility Steering Committee Members

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Subject: **September 18th, 2013 Fixed-Route Transit and Pedestrian Accessibility Steering Committee Meeting**

The Fixed-Route Transit and Pedestrian Accessibility Steering Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 18th between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The meeting will focus the following:

- Identify remaining study issues/concerns to address as we complete the analysis and develop preliminary recommendations (this process will continue through October)
- Discuss materials to display at the October 9th Open House
- Discuss materials/format of the draft and final report

Project Update

The project team is currently working on the phase two evaluation which is identifying transit-pedestrian accessibility issues in greater detail. This evaluation includes the review of aerial photos, Google Streetview images, and photos from previous field work. The project team will also be conducting field work the week of September 16th to verify the preliminary findings. At the steering committee meeting next week, we will provide additional information regarding this evaluation process and will provide examples of potential improvements that are being considered. Ultimately, the potential improvements will be prioritized (short-term and long-term) to focus on improving the pedestrian environment within Lawrence and enhancing access to public transportation.

Potential Improvements

The graphics, in the corresponding PDF, display potential improvements that are being considered as part of the fixed-route and pedestrian accessibility study. These are examples of the type, and general cost, of improvements being considered. Many of the improvements could be applied to multiple locations/corridors within Lawrence. The project team would like to discuss the general improvements, cost estimates, and prioritization of improvements with the steering committee next week. We will also discuss the locations/corridors being evaluated in greater detail.