

# Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Riverfront Ad Astra Conference Room 1 Riverfront Plaza, Suite 320 Lawrence, KS 66044

#### Attendance:

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT			NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT				
	Χ	Leslie Herring (Alt)	City of Eudora		Paul Foundoukis	FHWA	
	Χ	Keith Browning	Douglas County		Daniel Nguyen	FTA	
	Χ	Ed Courton (Chair) (Alt)	Baldwin City	Χ	Sarah Hartsig	L-DC Health Dept.	
	Χ	Charles Soules (Vice Chair)	Lawrence MSO				
	Χ	Scott McCullough	L-DC PDS	STAFF PRESENT			
		Robert Nugent	Lawrence Transit	Χ	Jessica Mortinger, AICP	L-DC MPO	
		Lynley Sanford	Lecompton		Ashley Myers, AICP	L-DC MPO	
	Χ	Allison Smith	KDOT	Χ	Ryan Umberger	L-DC MPO	
	Χ	Aaron Quisenberry	KU on Wheels	Χ	April Snay	L-DC MPO	
					GUESTS PRESENT		
				Χ	Charles Fertig	Resident	

# 1. Call Meeting to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Ed Courton called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. A quorum was present.

### 2. Public Comment

Charles Fertig, a member of the public, suggested bike pavement markings along 25<sup>th</sup> Terrace between Ralston and Fairfield streets be reviewed. Crossings on the South side of 25th Terrace are missing pavement markings where the driveway intersects with the bike path. Chuck Soules took note.

### 3. Action Item: Approval of minutes from the February 5 meeting

Ed Courton noticed an error in vote counts from the February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting (changed from 9-0 to 8-0) and asked if anyone else had changes to the minutes. Keith Browning and Allison Smith noted spelling errors. Scott McCullough motioned to approve the minutes as amended, Charles Soules seconded; it passed unanimously 6-0.

# 4. Action Item: Recommend Approval of the FFY19 TIP Amendment 2

https://assets.lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/tip/2019-2022TIPA2-Summary.pdf

Jessica Mortinger updated committee members to the project additions and changes to the TIP. No public comments were received during the 15-day public comment period (March 7 to March 22). Funding has been removed from the access consolidation project on 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, East of Naismith Drive and those funds will be moved to a project on 6<sup>th</sup> and Tennessee. Scott McCullough asked if projects in the TIP are fiscally constrained to which Ms. Mortinger responded yes. Ed Courton discussed improvements to sidewalks in Baldwin City. Ongoing projects will connect US Highway 56 to 6<sup>th</sup> street and Main Street to the city square. Ed Courton motioned to recommend approval of TIP Amendment 2, Keith Browning seconded; the motion passed unanimously 6-0.

# 5. Action Item: Recommend Approval of the 23rd St Multimodal Corridor Study Steering Committee and Focus Group

Jessica Mortinger presented the upcoming 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Multimodal Corridor Study and notified the committee that Olsson was selected as a consultant. Olsson plans on hosting a 3-day design charrettes and an open

house to develop a concept design of the corridor. The concept design will feed into the final design of the roadway is set to be completed in 2020 with construction in fall 2021. Ms. Mortinger presented the members of the Steering Committee and Focus Groups. Ms. Mortinger noted the name Focus Group may not be appropriate name of the group. TAC members discussed and agreed to name the group, Project Advisory Committee. Keith Browning mentioned he would not be the appropriate contact for the Douglas County Fairgrounds, but he can connect the committee to a contact. Scott McCullough recommended considering adjacent land uses when determining the scope of the notification process. Widening the notification corridor from 400ft to 1000ft would ensure surrounding residential land use would be included in the mailers. Ms. Hartsig suggested the Lawrence Community Shelter be added as a member of the Project Advisory Committee. Mr. McCullough also suggested using social media could be an efficient way to get the message out. Allison Smith agreed, expanding the corridor would bring nearby schools and neighborhoods into the conversation, and those organizations could help disseminate information on the project. Ms. Mortinger said a formal engagement plan will be devised before the lists are presented to the MPO. Scott McCullough motioned to recommend approval of amendments to add a shelter representative to the board, change the group name to Project Advisory Committee, and expand mailer notice to a 1000ft buffer area, Ed Courton seconded; the motion passed unanimously 6-0.

Leslie Herring arrived to the meeting at 1:55.

### 6. Quick Updates

Jessica Mortinger provided updates to ongoing work on the Safe Routes to Schools and the Lawrence Bikes Plans.

### 7. Other Business

Allison Smith told the committee Mike Spadafore has left his position at KDOT as a Transportation Planning Coordinator. KDOT is looking to fill position.

## 8. Next Meeting: May 7, 2019 or another date set by the TAC

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM.