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Wednesday January 7, 2026 1:00 pm

In Person:

Auditorium
Manhattan Public Library
629 Poyntz Ave
Manhattan, KS 66502

Virtual:

Zoom meeting
Meeting ID: 919 154 6755
Passcode: 148813

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Public Comment Opportunity (for items not on the agenda)
3. Staff Updates:
 - Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis: Internal meeting Jan. 20th
4. KDOT Update:
5. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve December 3, 2025, Meeting Minutes
6. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of Flint Hills ITS Architecture
7. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** KDOT – Ft. Riley Impaired Driving program
8. **Adjournment by Chair**

Next meeting scheduled for Feb. 4, 2026



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Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

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Voting Members Present		
	Jeremy Meyers	Geary Co. Public Works
X	Ray Ibarra (Chair)	City of Junction City
	Troy Livingston	Junction City/Geary County Zoning
	Nathan Bergman	Pottawatomie Co. Public Works
X	Casey Frisbie	Wamego Public Works
X	Gregg Webster	Pottawatomie County Zoning
X	Cameron Matthews	Wamego Zoning
	Amanda Webb	Riley County Planning
X	Karen Becker (Vice-Chair)	Manhattan Public Works
	John Ellerman	Riley County Public Works
X	John Adam	Manhattan Community Development
X	Ryne Dowling	Kansas Dept. of Transportation
	Anne Smith	Flint Hills ATA Bus
	Lisa Johnson	K-State Planning

Non-Voting Members Present		
	Javier Ahumada	Federal Highway Admin.
X	Owen Washburn	Fort Riley
X	Gerry Doyle	Federal Transit Admin.
	Angela Shepard	City of Ogden
	Vacant	City of Grandview Plaza
	Ben Wheeler	City of St. George

Staff Present	
x	Jared Tremblay
x	Abigail Danner

Members of the Public Present	
Michael Hagemann - KDOT	

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 1:01 pm.

2. Public Comment Opportunity

- There were no public comments.

3. Staff Updates

- Jared Tremblay stated that the Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis has now kicked off, with TDM data for US-24 sent to Benesch. The CBA is expected to be completed by the end of May 2026.

- Jared Tremblay also informed TAC members that FHMPO's ITS Architecture report has been updated. The report and online database are now available on FHMPO's website and open for public comment from December 4th, 2025 to January 7, 2026.

4. KDOT Update

- Ryne Dowling informed TAC members that KDOT will be hosting its annual Transportation Safety Conference from April 21-22, 2026 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Manhattan. Registration for the conference will open in January.

5. ACTION ITEM: Approve October 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes

- Karen Becker moved to approve the October TAC meeting minutes. John Adam seconded. The motion passed.

6. ACTION ITEM: Recommend approval of the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2

- Jared Tremblay introduced the amendment, which updates costs and dates for 5 projects.
 - Ryne Dowling asked whether the K-State Parking Garage EV Charger project has been removed from the TIP after its cancellation, and whether all parties involved in the project were aware of its removal.
 1. Jared Tremblay answered that the project has been removed and that the parties involved (KDOT and K-State) are aware.
- Karen Becker moved to approve the 2026-29 TIP Amendment #2. Casey Frisbie seconded. The motion passed.

7. ACTION ITEM: Recommend approval of the 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- Jared Tremblay presented the 2026 UPWP, which outlines FHMPO's budget and planning priorities for the fiscal year. He noted that the amount charged by BCBS for employee health insurance is higher than the amount budgeted in the May Estimate of the 2026 UPWP. The MPO cannot ask for more funds per the agreements between FHMPO and member jurisdictions.
 - Karen Becker asked whether the UPWP is available on the MPO's website.
 1. Jared Tremblay answered that it is available on the MPO's website under the "What We Do" tab.
 - Ryne Dowling asked whether FHMPO would need any hours for ITS this year, since the ITS architecture update is now complete.
 1. Jared Tremblay answered that if any ITS hours are needed, they will fall under category 3.1 of the UPWP.

- Karen Becker moved to approve the 2026 UPWP. Cameron Matthews seconded. The motion passed.

8. ACTION ITEM: Recommend approval of Connect 2050 Long-Range Transportation Plan

- Jared Tremblay reported that the final round of public outreach for *Connect 2050* is now complete. He presented the public comments FHMPO has received so far on *Connect 2050*. All public comments will be made available as an appendix to the plan.
 - Karen Becker asked how public comments are received.
 1. Jared Tremblay answered that people can choose to respond to the form on FHMPO's website, send mail, or email comments to FHMPO directly.
 - Casey Frisbie moved to approve the *Connect 2050* long-range transportation plan. Karen Becker seconded. The motion passed.

9. Adjournment by Chair

- The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:30p.

Next meeting scheduled for January 7, 2026.