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**Technical Advisory Committee
 Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 1:00 pm

In Person:
 Auditorium
 Manhattan Public Library
 629 Poyntz Ave
 Manhattan, KS 66502

Virtual:
 Zoom meeting
 Meeting ID: 919 154 6755

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

Non-Voting Members Present		
X	Will Sharp	Federal Highway Admin.
X	Owen Washburn	Fort Riley
	Eva Steinman	Federal Transit Admin.
	Angela Schnee	City of Ogden
	Vacant	City of Grandview Plaza
	Ben Wheeler	City of St. George
X	Jared Austin	FTA

Staff Present	
x	Jared Tremblay
x	Abigail Danner

Members of the Public Present	

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm.

2. Public Comment Opportunity

- There were no public comments.

3. Staff Updates

- Jared Tremblay provided an update on Connect 2050 and specifically the seven public meetings held in January and early February.

4. KDOT Update

- Ryne Dowling stated the 2024 Q4 billing was processed and deposited.

5. ACTION ITEM: Approve January 8, 2024 Meeting Minutes

- Greg Webster moved to approve and Nathan Bergman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. ACTION ITEM: Recommend approval of 2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #6

- Jared Tremblay provided an overview of the updates in the amendment, noting the addition of the McFarland and Eisenhower Roundabout in Junction City.
- Cameron Matthews moved to approve, and Anne Smith seconded. Motion passed.

7. DISCUSSION ITEM: US-24 Corridor Study Update meeting

- Jared Tremblay stated FHMPO staff will be presenting at the Feb. 20th, Joint City-County-County meeting on if and how the region moves forward with the US-24 Corridor study update.

8. DISCUSSION ITEM: EV Readiness Plan update

- Jared Tremblay state the draft of the final plan had been submitted to staff. He noted the plan is for the report to be completed in February with public meetings in March and April.
- Anne Smith asked about the status of funding for the EVRP and recent Executive Orders
 - Ryne Dowling stated that since funding was already committed and the contract signed, that there should be no issues. He noted the competitive grants such as CRP and NEVI, are more at risk
- Jared Tremblay said that the MSA consolidation is also of concern, but that FHMPO staff has reached out the KDOT and FHWA about implications, and they're waiting to hear back.
 - Will Sharp said that FHWA is researching the MSA consolidation
- Karen Becker inquired if the FHMPO had done an research on Tesla grants and that she would send Jared Tremblay information on it.

9. Adjournment by Chair

- The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:29p

Next meeting scheduled for Mar. 5, 2025