### Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization

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# **Technical Advisory Committee Meeting**

## Wednesday, April 5, 2023 1:00 pm

In Person:
City Commission Room
City Hall
1101 Poyntz Ave
Manhattan, KS 66502

Virtual:

Zoom meeting

Meeting ID: 919 154 6755

- 1. Welcome & Introductions
- 2. Public Comment Opportunity (for items not on the agenda)
- 3. Staff Updates
- 4. KDOT Update: Available on KDOT's website, here.
- 5. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve January 4, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 6. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of Connect 2040 Amendment #3
- 7. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of 2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #5
- 8. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of 2023 UPWP Amendment #1
- 9. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** EV Readiness Study
- 10. Adjournment by Chair

Next meeting scheduled for May 3, 2023



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| Voting Members Present |                    |                            |  |
|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Х                      | Corey Trumpp       | Geary Co. Public Works     |  |
| Х                      | Ray Ibarra         | Junction City              |  |
|                        | (Vice-Chair)       | Public Works               |  |
|                        | Troy Livingston    | Junction City/Geary County |  |
|                        |                    | Zoning                     |  |
| Х                      | Stephan Metzger    | Pottawatomie Co.           |  |
|                        |                    | Public Works               |  |
|                        | Casey Frisbie      | Wamego Public Works        |  |
|                        | Gregg Webster      | Pottawatomie County        |  |
|                        |                    | Zoning                     |  |
|                        | Ken Stein          | Wamego Zoning              |  |
| Χ                      | Amanda Webb        | Riley County Planning      |  |
| Х                      | Karen Becker (Alt) | Manhattan Public Works     |  |
|                        | John Ellerman      | Riley County Public Works  |  |
| Χ                      | John Adam (Alt)    | Manhattan Community        |  |
|                        |                    | Development                |  |
| Χ                      | Ryne Dowling       | Kansas Dept. of            |  |
|                        |                    | Transportation             |  |
| Χ                      | Anne Smith         | Flint Hills aTa Bus        |  |
| Х                      | Jeff Barnes        | K-State Transportation     |  |
|                        |                    | Services                   |  |

| Non-Voting Members Present |                         |  |  |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Cecelie Cochran            | Federal Highway Admin.  |  |  |
| Kelley Paskow              | Fort Riley              |  |  |
| Eva Steinman               | Federal Transit Admin.  |  |  |
| Angela Schnee              | City of Ogden           |  |  |
| Vacant                     | City of Grandview Plaza |  |  |
| Ben Wheeler                | City of St. George      |  |  |

| Staff Present |                |  |  |
|---------------|----------------|--|--|
| Х             | Jared Tremblay |  |  |
|               |                |  |  |

| Members of the Public Present |  |  |  |
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#### 1. Welcome & Introductions

• Ray Ibarra, Vice Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:03pm.

#### 2. Public Comment Opportunity

• There were no public comments.

#### 3. Staff Updates

#### 4. KDOT Update

#### 5. ACTION ITEM: Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

- The Vice-Chair, Ray Ibarra, called for nominations.
- Anne Smith nominated Ray Ibarra for Chairperson. Stephan Metzger seconded. The motion passed unanimously
- Anne Smith nominated Karen Becker for Vice-Chair. John Adam seconded. The motion passed unanimously

#### 6. ACTION ITEM: Approve December 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes

John Adam motioned for the approval of the minutes. Anne Smith seconded.
 The motion passed unanimously.

# 7. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of 2023 Safety Performance Measures Report and Targets

- Jared Tremblay provided a walk-through and explanation of the 5 performance measures, noting that the region is not meeting any of the targets set in 2018 and 2020.
- Jared Tremblay stated that the new targets are meant to be more achievable and if met will represent positive movement in the road safety of the region.
- Stephan Metzger asked Mr. Tremblay why he felt fatalities and the rate of fatalities are increasing.
- Mr. Tremblay noted that the reports are too vague to specify detailed causes for each crash, but that the region is not alone. He shared that across the USA, despite lower VMT in 2020 and 2021, crashes and fatalities jumped. He also noted that starting in 2020, the MPO better analyzed the data from KDOT, detailing not just the number of fatal crashes, but the number of fatalities and serious injuries associated with each crash.
- Mr. Metzger asked specifically about the fatalities and crashes at K-18 and Scenic Dr.
- Mr. Tremblay noted that the three fatalities in the 2021 data were from one crash, and the other fatality was in a prior year. He also then showed the K-18 Before and After slides and the drastic reductions in crashes, serious injuries, and crashes since the reconstruction of K-18, specifically at intersections.
- Stephan Metzger motioned approval of the Safety Report and Jeff Barnes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

# **8. ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of 2023 Pavement & Bridge Condition Performance Measures Report and Targets

- Jared Tremblay provided an overview of the eight performance measures, noting that the region was on-track for several items. He noted how the data used in the previous report had limited years for data, specifically on road pavement condition, leading to in hindsight, unrealistic targets. He also noted that several projects on NHS and non-NHS roadways that were scheduled to be completed had been pushed back, and with their completion by 2026 should improve the overall score of the system. He specifically noted the reconstruction of I-70 near Junction City.
- Stephan Metzger motioned for approval of the report, and Corey Trumpp seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

# **9. ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of 2023 System Reliability Performance Measures Report and Targets

- Jared Tremblay provided a walk-through of the report and the three performance measures, with the region on-target on two. He noted that Target 2 – Noninterstate time reliability measure was lower in 2021 than previous year and had since recovered. The key issue was the delay caused by construction of the Wildcat Creek bridges on K-18.
- Anne Smith motioned for approval with Stephan Metzger seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 10. Adjournment by Chair

• The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:36p

Next meeting scheduled for February 1, 2023