

#### Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization

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## Wednesday December 3, 2025 1:00 pm

In Person:
Collaboration Space
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:
- 4. KDOT Update:
- 5. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve October 1, 2025, Meeting Minutes
- 6. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #2
- 7. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of the 2026 UPWP
- 8. **ACTION ITEM:** Recommend approval of Connect 2050 long-range transportation plan
- 9. Adjournment by Chair

Next meeting scheduled for Jan. 7, 2026



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# **Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 1:00 pm

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

Non-Voting Members Present				
	Javier Ahumada	Federal Highway Admin.		
	Kelley Paskow	Fort Riley		
	Eva Steinman	Federal Transit Admin.		
Χ	Angela Shepard	City of Ogden		
	Vacant	City of Grandview Plaza		
	Ben Wheeler	City of St. George		
	Jared Austin	FTA		

Staff Present		
	Χ	Jared Tremblay
-	Х	Abigail Danner
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Members of the Public Present			
Josh Gray – City of			
Junction City			
Michael Hagemann -			
KDOT			
Andy Fry			

#### 1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 1:03 pm.

#### 2. Public Comment Opportunity

There were no public comments.

#### 3. Staff Updates

• Jared Tremblay updated TAC that the Big Blue River 2<sup>nd</sup> Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis will be kicking off soon.

#### 4. KDOT Update

 Ryne Dowling stated that the supplemental agreement between KDOT and FHMPO is underway, with reimbursements beginning as early as the week of October 5. The reimbursements should not be impacted by the current shutdown of the federal government.

#### 5. ACTION ITEM: Approve September 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

 Anne Smith moved to approve the September 3, 2025 TAC meeting minutes. John Adam seconded. The motion passed with John Adam abstaining.

# **6. ACTION ITEM:** Approve 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #1

- Jared Tremblay introduced the amendment, which adds the Washington St/Trooper
   Gate Bridge improvements in Junction City to the TIP.
- Anne Smith moved to approve the TIP Amendment #1. Karen Becker seconded. The motion passed.

#### 7. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

- Jared Tremblay presented the 2026 UPWP, which outlines FHMPO's budget and planning priorities for the fiscal year.
  - Karen Becker asked how the FY 2026 local match amounts will compare to FY 2025.
    - Jared Tremblay answered that the local match will be slightly lower in FY 2026 since several plans that required consultants are now complete.

#### 8. WORK SESSION: Transportation Emission Reductions Strategy (TERS) – Call for Projects

- Jared Tremblay presented the TERS second call for projects.
  - Anne Smith asked whether TERS funds could be used for computer software. She also asked if TERS is federal money.
    - 1. Jared Tremblay answered that TERS is federal money administered by KDOT. He responded that he would ask KDOT for further clarification on whether TERS funds can cover software.
  - Anne Smith also asked if KDOT still has a program for innovative technology, and whether that program is federal or state money.
    - 1. Ryne Dowling offered to reach out to the program contact at KDOT to find out more information.

#### 9. WORK SESSION: Connect 2050

- Jared Tremblay presented the projects and financials for Connect 2050, FHMPO's long-range transportation plan. He stated that the draft plan and appendices are now available online for further reading.
  - Ryne Dowling asked when the draft of *Connect 2050* will be submitted to FHMPO's Policy Board for adoption.
  - Jared Tremblay answered that after the public comment period, *Connect 2050* will be submitted for adoption in December.

#### 10. Adjournment by Chair

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:40p.

Next meeting scheduled for November 5, 2025.