



Flint Hills Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Policy Board Meeting

Wednesday April 15, 2026

3:30 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
2. Public Comment Opportunity (for items not on the agenda)
3. Financial Update
 - As of 4.8.2026: \$182,249.39 in checking, \$0 in money market account
 - Monthly statement balances
 - Revenue & Major Expenses
4. Staff Updates
 - Ft. Riley Safe Passage
5. KDOT Updates
6. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve of February 18, 2026, Meeting Minutes
7. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #4
8. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the Preservation Performance Measures (PM2)
9. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the Mobility Performance Measures (PM3)
10. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the 2027 Unified Planning Work Program Population Updates and Local Match Percentages
11. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** 2026 UPWP & Local Match estimates

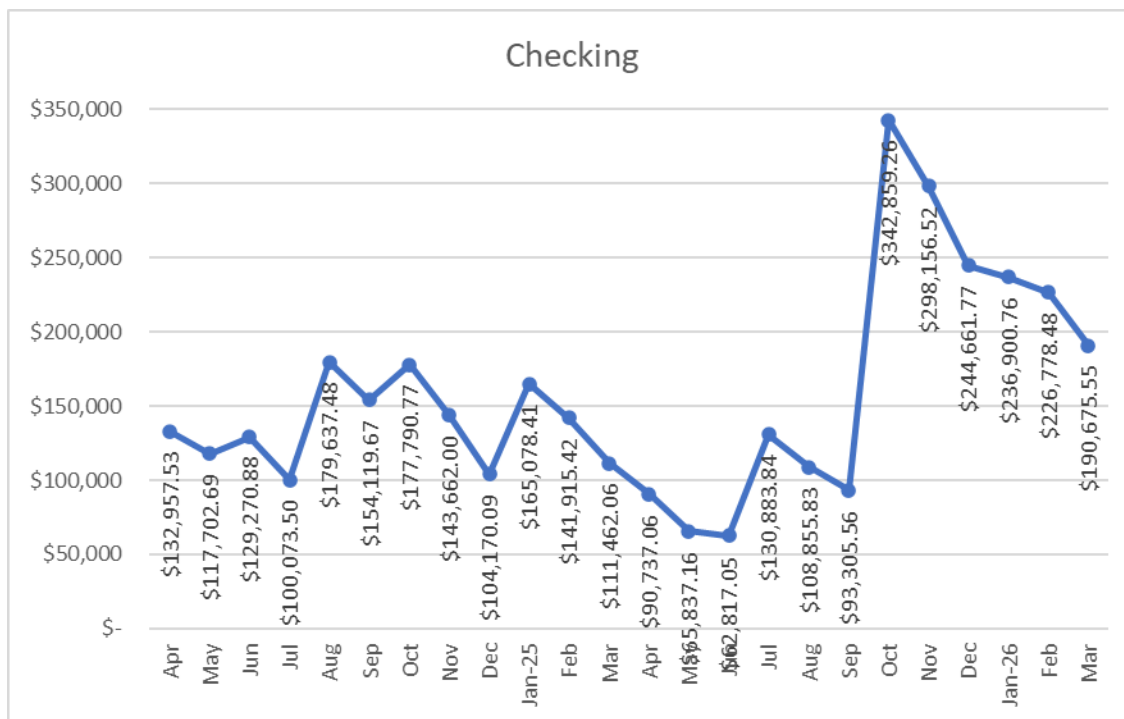
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12. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #1 – Revision

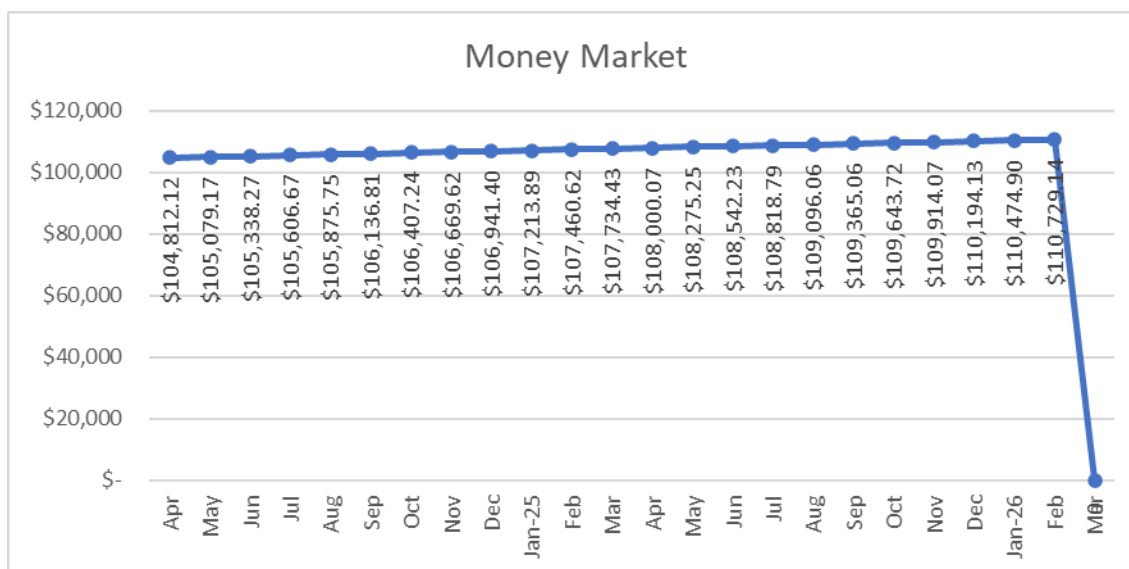
13. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis Public Information Meetings

14. Motion for Adjournment

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\$20,146.71 of these funds are obligated to Benesch for the Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis. Therefore, the FHMP0's non-obligated Checking Balance as of 4.8.2026 = \$162,102.68.



Per discussions with City of MHK City Management, with the expiration of the fiscal agreement, the account was closed on 3.31.2026, with funds given back to City. Verbal commitment that funds would be made available to FHMP0 to cover/float expenses if/as needed. In short, without the need for the funds over the past 5-years, the fiscal agreement has been replaced with a verbal agreement.

Revenue & Major Expenses

Feb & Mar 2026			
	Debits	Credits	Notes
2.04	\$ 425.00		Strawn & Associates: Bookkeeper
2.07	\$ 468.00		Survey Monkey - annual license
2.11		\$ 14,286.31	Local Match #1 - City of MHK
2.13	\$ 139.00		Quickbooks
2.18	\$ 21,301.03		Benesch - 2nd Connection Study
2.19	\$ 840.00		Wix - Website
2.26		\$ 6,047.26	Local Match #1 - City of JC
2.27	\$ 708.00		Grid Software - Calculator Studio
3.13	\$ 112.00		Quickbooks
3.24	\$ 9,675.89		Benesch - 2nd Connection Study
3.30	\$ 416.58		K5 Bookkeeping (switch from Strawn & Assoc.)
Total	\$34,085.50	\$ 20,333.57	

Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis

Invoice	Amount	Date Received	UPWP Year	UPWP Quarter
339872	\$ 17,958.52	10.24.2025	2025	Q4
342595	\$ 8,835.03	11.19.2025	2025	Q4
346900	\$ 35,330.28	12.30.2025	2026	Q1
349076	\$ 36,738.40	1.16.2026	2026	Q1
351900	\$ 21,301.03	2.16.2026	2026	Q1
355613	\$ 9,675.89	3.20.2026	2026	Q1

Total Paid	\$ 129,839.15	87%
Contract Total	\$ 149,985.86	
Remaining	\$ 20,146.71	13%



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VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT		
x	Keith Ascher	Geary County Commission
x	Mike Moriarty	KS Dept of Transportation
x	Andrew Von Lintel	Manhattan City Commission
	Dee McKee	Pottawatomie Co. Commission
x	Sam Yoskowitz	Junction City Commission
x	John Ford	Riley County Commission
x	Zac Kreider	Wamego City Commission
NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT		
x	Javier Ahumada	Federal Highway Admin.
	Kelley Paskow	Fort Riley Representative
	Eva Steinman	Federal Transit Admin.
	Anne Smith	Flint Hills ATA

Staff Present		
x	Jared Tremblay	MPO
x	Abigail Danner	MPO

Guests Present	
Ryne Dowling - KDOT	
Larry Fox – Manhattan City Commission	

1. Welcome
 - Meeting called to order at 3:31p.
2. Public Comment Opportunity (for items not on the agenda)
 - No public comment.
3. Financial Update
 - Jared Tremblay gave an overview of the accounts and monthly statements, including revenue and major expenses. As of February 11, there was a balance of \$249,441.40 in the checking account and \$110,474.90 in the money market account.
 - Zac Kreider asked if the general liability insurance for FHMPO staff is an annual or a 6-month premium.
 - Jared Tremblay answered that it is an annual premium.
4. Staff Updates
 - Jared Tremblay provided an update on the Big Blue River 2nd Connection Cost-Benefit Analysis. The consultants will be finishing work on the project by May 2026.

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FHMPO staff will be presenting the study's findings to jurisdictions before public engagement begins this summer.

5. KDOT Updates
 - Ryne Dowling stated that CPG agreements are in the works and that KDOT hopes to have them out within two to three weeks.
6. ACTION ITEM: Approval of the January 21, 2026 Meeting Minutes
 - Zac Kreider moved to approve the January 2026 Policy Board minutes. Sam Yoskowitz seconded. The motion passed.
7. ACTION ITEM: Approval of the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #3
 - Jared Tremblay presented TIP Amendment #3, which includes cost and date adjustments for several projects.
 - Sam Yoskowitz asked if the SS4A grant included in the TIP covers all of Geary County or just Junction City.
 - Keith Ascher answered that the SS4A grant awarded only covers Junction City, but that Geary County is also in the process of applying for an SS4A grant.
 - John Ford stated that he will be in Washington, DC next week to meet with legislators and asked whether he should bring up the SS4A grant.
 - Jared Tremblay answered that it would be worth bringing up.
 - Zac Kreider asked about the purpose of the project to pave a segment of Elm Slough Rd near Wamego.
 - Jared Tremblay answered that this project is the first step towards paving all of Elm Slough Rd.
8. ACTION ITEM: Approve the Safety Performance Measures and Targets (PM1)
 - Abigail Danner presented the FY2024 crash data for the MPO region. She noted the five FHWA performance measures and how the data is used.
 - Policy Board members recommended using the future targets for PM1 as they stand today.
 - Keith Ascher moved to approve the safety performance measures and targets. Sam Yoskowitz seconded. The motion passed.
9. ACTION ITEM: Approve the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #1
 - Jared Tremblay presented the update to the UPWP, which now includes FHMPO grant work as an item under Complete Streets.
 - Zac Kreider moved to approve the UPWP. Andrew Von Lintel seconded. The motion passed.

10. ACTION ITEM: Recommendations and Approval of Officers

- Keith Ascher moved to continue John Ford's tenure as chair. Zac Kreider seconded. The motion passed.
- John Ford moved to nominate Keith Ascher for vice chair. Andrew Von Lintel seconded. The motion passed.

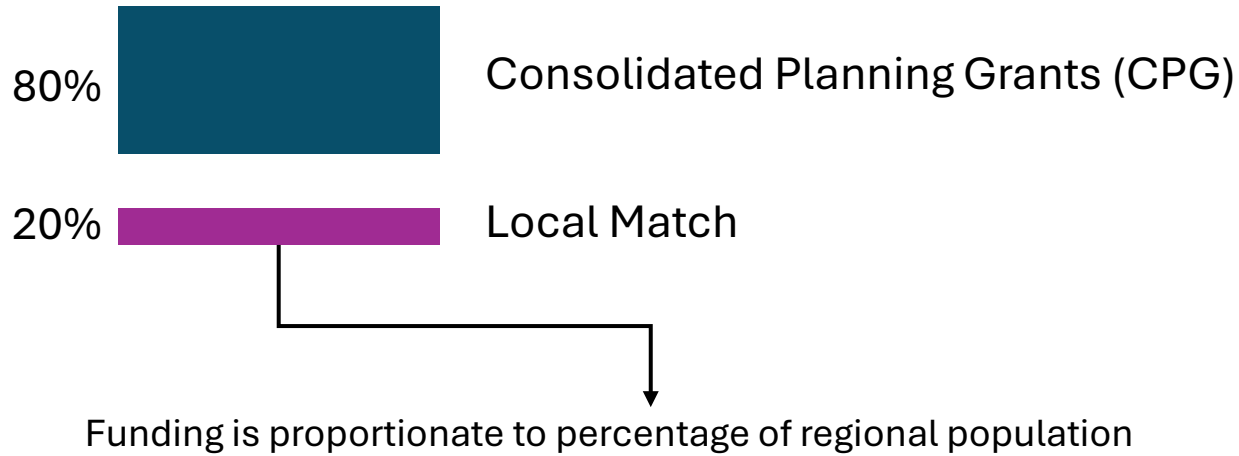
11. Motion for Adjournment

- Sam Yoskowitz moved to adjourn the meeting. John Ford seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45p.

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Jurisdiction Population Updates & CPG Local Match Percentages

MPO Budget

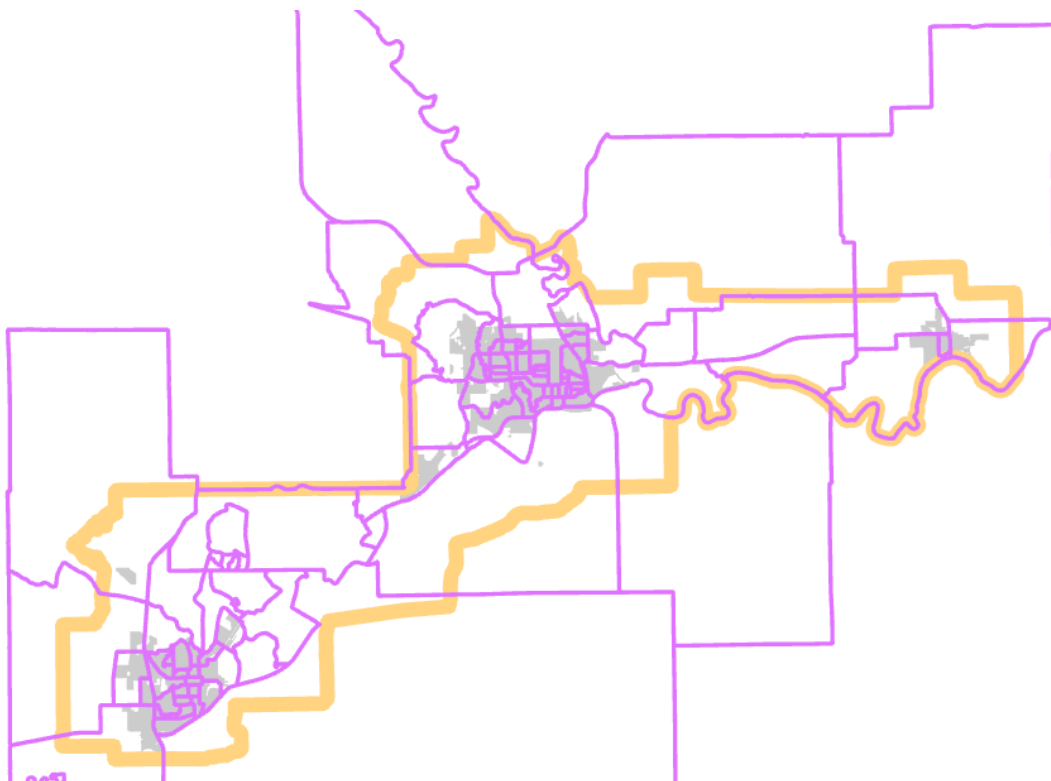


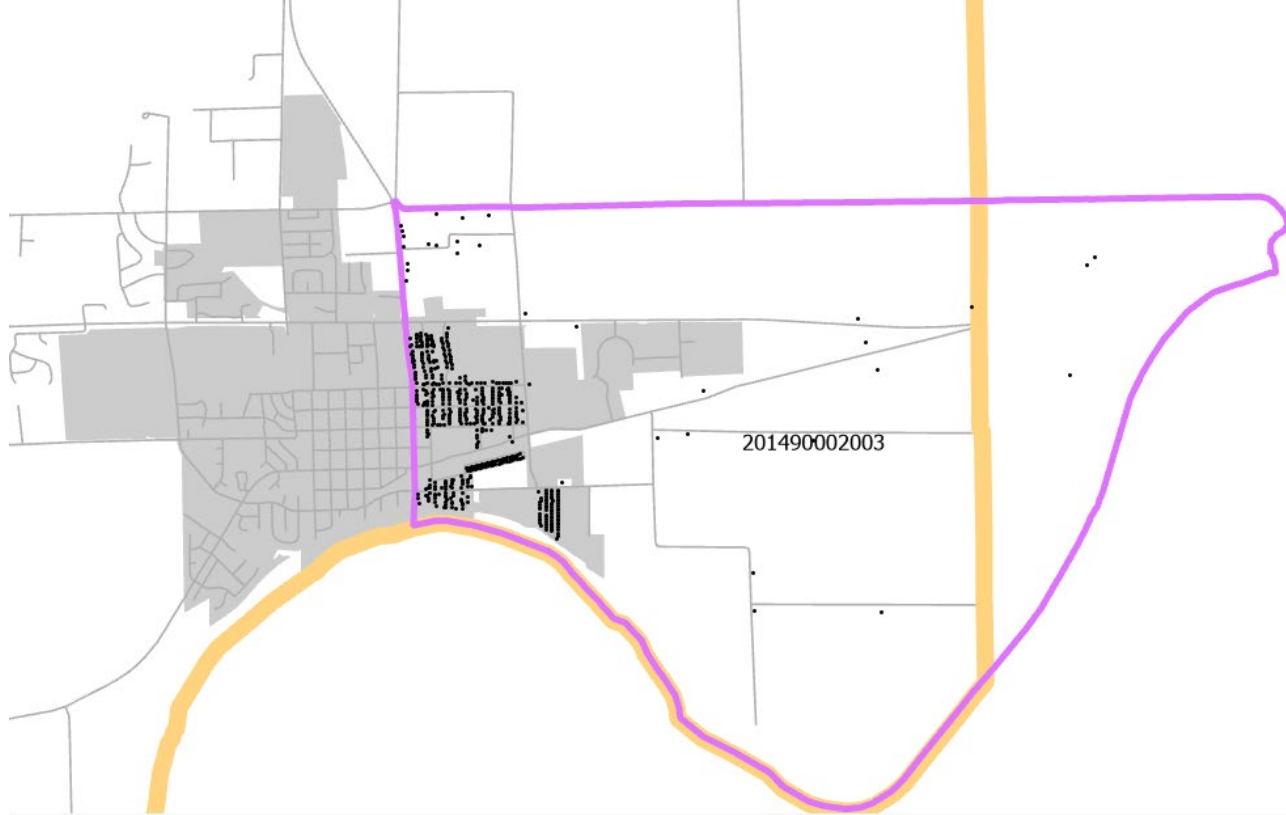
% Population		% Local Match Funds
70%	Jurisdiction A	70%
25%	Jurisdiction B	25%
5%	Jurisdiction C	5%

Population Data Points

- US Census data = Block Groups 
- KS Certified Populations = Cities, Counties & Townships 
- MPO Boundary 

Problem: How do we get accurate population information from varying geographies that do not align?





U.S. Census

PT GIS

Total Population in Block Group	Total Residential Addresses	# of Res. Address w/i MPO	% within MPO	Population within MPO
1,199	562	559	99.5%	1,193

# of Res. Addresses within City	% w/i City	Population w/i City	Total Population in MPO & Not in City
530	94.3%	1,131	62

	2022 (Census 2020 data)		2026 (Census 2025 Data)	
	Population	%	Population	%
Manhattan	54,107	54.1%	54,699	55.2%
Junction City	22,932	22.9%	22,053	22.3%
Wamego	4,817	4.8%	4,888	4.9%
Riley County	5,022	5.0%	4,253	4.3%
Geary County	3,304	3.3%	3,058	3.1%
Pottawatomie County	9,918	9.9%	10,101	10.2%
	100,100	100.0%	99,052	100.0%

