



Meeting Minutes

Transportation Policy Body (TPB) Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, September 10, 2024, @ 3:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting: *Online & 271 W. 3rd St, Rm. 203, Wichita, KS 67202*

Meeting Duration: *65 minutes*

Voting Members in Attendance		
Becky Tuttle, <i>Chair</i> Ryan Baty, <i>Sedgwick County</i> David Dennis, <i>Sedgwick County</i> Dalton Glasscock, <i>Wichita</i> Mike Hoheisel, <i>Wichita</i> Jim Howell, <i>Sedgwick County</i> J.V. Johnston, <i>Wichita</i>	Russ Kessler, <i>Haysville</i> Pete Meitzner, <i>Sedgwick County</i> Mike Moriarty, <i>KDOT</i> Ben Saucedo, <i>Park City</i> Terry Somers, <i>SCAC</i> Nick Squires, <i>KDOT</i> Burt Ussery, <i>Clearwater</i>	Alternates Rodney Eggleston, <i>Valley Center (voting)</i> Nick Gregory, <i>Maize (voting)</i> Jennifer McCausland, <i>Andover (voting)</i> Warren Porter, <i>Rose Hill (voting)</i> J.B. Wilson, <i>KDOT (non-voting)</i>
Other Attendees		
Kaylee Bates, <i>WAMPO</i> Dylan Cossaart, <i>WAMPO</i> Penny Feist, <i>Wichita Transit</i> Nick Flanders, <i>WAMPO</i> Dora Gallo, <i>WAMPO</i> Paul Gunzelman, <i>Wichita</i> Evan Hathaway, <i>Hite, Fanning & Honeyman L.L.P.</i> Markey Jonas, <i>WAMPO</i>	Sruthi Kesa, <i>WAMPO</i> Peter Mohr, <i>WAMPO</i> ThaiBinh Mursch, <i>MAPD</i> Kim Negrete, <i>WAMPO</i> Lynn Packer, <i>Sedgwick County</i> Chad Parasa, <i>WAMPO</i> Kelly Rundell, <i>Hite, Fanning & Honeyman L.L.P.</i> Will Sharp, <i>FHWA</i>	Allison Smith, <i>KDOT</i> Vanessa Spartan, <i>KDOT</i> Kyle Thomas, <i>WAMPO</i> M Thompson Bill Troe, <i>SRF</i> James Wagner, <i>Wichita</i>

1. Chair Becky Tuttle called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM.

2. Regular Business

A. Approval of the September 10, 2024, Agenda

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the September 10, 2024, agenda, as presented. (16-0)¹

Motion: Russ Kessler

Second: Ryan Baty

B. Approval of the August 13, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the August 13, 2024, meeting minutes, as presented. (11-0)²

Motion: Terry Somers

Second: Russ Kessler

¹ Two (2) voting TPB members did not arrive until after the votes to approve the September 2024 agenda and August 2024 minutes.

² Five (5) voting TPB members abstained from the vote to approve the August 2024 minutes but remained present, so quorum was not lost.

C. Director's Report

i. **Bimonthly TIP Project Statuses**

Nick Flanders, WAMPO, explained that the WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes a Reasonable Progress Policy, under which projects programmed to receive WAMPO-suballocated funding that are scheduled to start in the current Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) or that have started but not finished (including projects that started in prior FFYs) are to have progress reports every two months. The TIP Project Statuses report for September 2024 was shared.

September 2024 TIP Project Statuses - <https://bit.ly/September2024-TIP-Project-Statuses>

ii. **FFY2025-FFY2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2 Public Comment Period Open 08/30/2024-09/13/2024**

Mr. Flanders discussed the Public Comment period for Amendment 2 to the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which covers Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2025-2028 (October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2028). The 15-day Public Comment period is from August 30, 2024, through September 13, 2024. TIP Amendment 2 will be brought to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for a recommendation on September 23, 2024, and to the Transportation Policy Body (TPB) for approval on October 8, 2024. The FFY2025-FFY2028 TIP and proposed Amendment 2 can be viewed at www.wampo.org/transportation-improvement-program.

iii. **Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050) Update**

Mr. Flanders shared that WAMPO is developing long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050), which will guide the region's transportation infrastructure investments and policies over the next quarter century. Mr. Flanders provided details about the requirements for the document and staff efforts so far, including public engagement, a call for projects, and working to gather data. As WAMPO works towards completing a draft of the full plan, draft chapters and appendices will be posted on the WAMPO website for public review. Upcoming steps include Project Selection Committee (PSC) and Plan Advisory Committee (PAC) meetings in October 2024 (tentatively). The completed plan will be brought to the TPB for approval in May 2025.

MTP 2050 webpage, with draft sections uploaded as available: www.wampo.org/mtp2050

iv. **ITS Architecture Kickoff Meeting**

Peter Mohr, WAMPO, shared that WAMPO staff have begun coordinating with the consultants with whom the TPB approved a contract at the August 13, 2024 meeting to update WAMPO's Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture. An ITS Architecture kickoff meeting will be held on September 23, 2024, at 1:30 PM.

v. Annual Bicycle and Pedestrian Count

Chad Parasa, WAMPO, explained that every year, WAMPO coordinates an annual count of bicycle and pedestrian activity across the region. The data collected during this count help to estimate the number of people who bicycle, walk, and run, and the locations where they do so. To gather this information, WAMPO relies on a team of volunteers to spend a short period of time counting pedestrians and bicycle riders at designated locations. The 2024 dates and times for counting are Wednesday, September 11, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM and/or 5:00 PM-7:00 PM; Thursday, September 12, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM and/or 5:00 PM-7:00 PM; and Saturday, September 14, 12:00 PM-2:00 PM.

D. Consent Agenda

Markey Jonas, WAMPO, provided an overview of each consent agenda item and presented the action options.

i. Transportation Policy Body (TPB) Bylaws Revision

The TPB was asked to approve proposed revisions to the TPB bylaws to correct language in Article 8 - Committees, Section 8.1 Technical Advisory Committee, to match a revision approved in February 2024 stating that the Vice-Chair of the TPB may, but is not required to, serve as Chair of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

ii. Updated Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Roster

The TPB was asked to approve an updated Technical Advisory Committee roster. Updates include the recommended appointment of Tonja Howard as the Wichita Transit Representative.

iii. Contract for Copier and Printer Services

The TPB was asked to approve the entering of a contract for the lease and service of a multifunctional printer and copier between WAMPO and Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A. The proposed contract is for a term of 60 months at a fixed amount of \$469.42 per month.

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the consent agenda, as presented. (18-0)

Motion: Chair Tuttle

Second: Russ Kessler

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Action

None.

5. Discussion/Updates

A. KDOT Safety Presentation

Vanessa Spartan, KDOT, provided an update on the Kansas Drive to Zero (DTZ) Plan. The plan's mission is to drive strategic investments that eliminate serious injuries and deaths and the emotional and economic burdens of crashes, by reinforcing the layers of the Safe System in Kansas. The presentation included details about the DTZ plan's core features and explained how the plan is developed and implemented through collaboration across three types of stakeholder groups: the Drive to Zero Coalition, Strategy Teams, and Support Teams. Goals for the plan update include utilization of the Safe System Approach, incorporating findings and strategies from secondary assessments, and increased awareness and shared ownership of the plan. Once finalized, KDOT plans to do targeted outreach and engage with local agencies and organizations. For more information and to get involved, please visit <https://ike.ksdot.gov/drive-to-zero>.

Discussion:

Mr. Parasa and Chair Tuttle thanked Ms. Spartan for her presentation and ongoing efforts to increase safety.

B. 2024 Major State Corridors Daily VMT/AADT Report

Mr. Mohr explained that daily Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) are widely used data elements in transportation planning and traffic engineering. Using KDOT data, WAMPO staff have developed a 2024 Daily VMT and AADT Report detailing these metrics for seven (7) major corridors in the WAMPO region: I-35, I-135, I-235, US-54, K-15, K-96, and K-254. These roadways are vital for commuters, commerce, and emergency services, serving as conduits for economic activity and regional development. They also constitute the majority of the state and interstate highway system in the region. The presentation included an overview of the report. Going forward, WAMPO staff intend to make this an annual report, posted online. Figures and data from the 2024 report will be incorporated into Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050), in Chapter 3: Existing Conditions.

WAMPO Major State Corridors Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) Report - https://bit.ly/Draft_2024DVMTandAADTReport

Discussion:

Chair Tuttle asked if the report was available on the WAMPO website. Mr. Mohr said that is available for online review through the link in the TPB packet, but it has not yet been published on the website directly. Mr. Mohr explained that he first wanted to offer the report for stakeholder review and feedback before uploading it to the website directly.

C. Regional Transit Implementation Plan Update

Bill Troe, SRF, provided an update on the Regional Transit Implementation Plan, emphasizing the final phase of narrowing down transit service alternatives based on community interest and participation. Recent efforts have been focused on identifying which of the regional transit service alternatives might be most viable based on the community perspective of each WAMPO jurisdiction. The project team is working to refine concepts, which will be divided into short-term

recommendations, based on immediate needs and community interest, and aspirational alternatives, which aim to address broader regional goals, including improved commuter access and enhanced transit services within communities. Additionally, a focus on employer coordination was introduced, with ongoing discussions involving key regional employers to explore potential partnerships and funding opportunities. The goal is to have a draft document by mid-October. There will be an employer focus group meeting on Monday, September 16, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM at the Wichita Workforce Center, 2021 N. Amidon #1100, Wichita, KS 67203.

Regional Transit Implementation Plan webpage: www.wampo.org/regional-transit

6. Committee & Partnership Updates

Chair Tuttle announced that the next Executive Committee meeting will be at 11:00 AM on November 14, 2024, in the MAPD Conference Room in the Ronald Reagan Building (271 W 3rd St. N, Room 237, Wichita, KS 67202) and on Zoom. It will be an open meeting; anyone is welcome to attend.

J.B. Wilson, KDOT Wichita Metro, shared that KDOT is hosting an open house for the K-15 corridor study on September 18, 2024, 4:00 PM-6:00 PM, at The Venue in Derby's Madison Avenue Central Park, 512 E. Madison Avenue, Derby, KS 67037. The open house will allow attendees to review the early project data, provide input, and speak one-on-one with staff. There will be no formal presentation; attendees can come and go at any time during the event. This is the first of three public meetings to be held before the study is completed in Spring 2025. Mr. Wilson also provided updates on construction projects in the region.

7. Other Business

None.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 4:06 PM.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 3:00 PM.