



# Ozarks Transportation Organization

## Bicycle-Pedestrian Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2026

1:00 pm

**2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, MO 65807**

**Attendees:** Lynell Baca, Scott Bachman, Valerie Carr, Sara Fields, Ben Foster, Scott Godbey, David Hutchinson, Kirsty Ketchum, David Knaut, Natasha Longpine, John Montgomery, Trent Sims, Cameron Smith, Cameron Sooy, Ben Tegeler, Andy Thomason, Jen Thomas, and Jacob Wimsatt

- I. **Welcome** – The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.
- II. **Meeting Minutes from November 18, 2025, BPAC Meeting** – Andy Thomason, seconded by John Montgomery, made a motion to approve the November 18, 2026, meeting minutes. The motion passed.
- III. **Approval of the January 13, 2026, Agenda** – Andy Thomason, seconded by, made a motion to approve the January 13, 2026, agenda. The motion passed.
- IV. **Local ADA improvement efforts** – MoDOT Southwest District, the City of Ozark, the City of Republic, and the City of Springfield provided updates on their work addressing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) infrastructure improvements. The presentations focused on transportation infrastructure improvements and the different approaches local jurisdictions are taking to update their ADA Transition Plans. MoDOT reported on recently completed projects as well as projects currently in progress. Discussion included the use of transition plans, various approaches to conducting and maintaining infrastructure inventories, and opportunities to share information among agencies.
- V. **Bicycle and Trail facility discussion** – OTO staff presented an overview of the updated maps, which incorporated input from the various jurisdictions. Discussion focused on several proposed future bicycle facilities that run parallel to one another and potential modifications the City of Springfield may consider. The committee agreed to move forward with the current maps for the Long-Range Transportation Plan update, pending staff consultation with City of Springfield staff.
- VI. **Project Updates** – OTO staff provided brief updates on multiple ongoing projects and informed the committee about the open call for projects for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant through Missouri State Parks. The City of Springfield reported that the LeCompte Trail, Mount Vernon Sidewalk, and Jefferson Footbridge projects are near completion and that the city received a Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant for South Campbell Avenue. The City of Ozark reported continued progress on the Chadwick Flyer Trail and plans to begin construction of the Jackson Street Connector later this year.

**VII. Bicycle and Pedestrian related Public Comments** – OTO staff shared comments received between October 15<sup>th</sup> and December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Comments included requests for pedestrian crossing improvements in multiple areas including Springfield and Strafford, safety concerns near Norton Rd and W High St and requests for sidewalk improvements in the Kickapoo neighborhood.

**VIII. Next Meeting – March 10, 2026**

**IX. Adjourn** –The meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm.

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Approved on 03/10/2026.

Attested By:  \_\_\_\_\_

Valerie Carr, BPAC Chair