# OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 20, 2021

The Technical Planning Committee of the Ozarks Transportation Organization met at its scheduled time in person and via Zoom video conferencing. A quorum was declared present, and the meeting was called to order at approximately 1:40 p.m. by Chair Todd Wiesehan.

The following members were present:

Mr. Randy Brown, City of Willard Mr. Andrew Nelson, City of Republic

Mr. Matt Crawford, City Utilities Transit Ms. Britni O'Connor, MoDOT Ms. Dawne Gardner (a), City of Springfield Mr. Jeremy Parsons, City of Ozark

Mr. Ezekiel Hall, MoDOT Mr. Cole Pruitt, MSU

Mr. Adam Humphrey, Greene County
Mr. Jeff Roussell, City of Nixa
Mr. Kirk Juranas, City of Springfield
Mr. David Schaumburg, Airport
Mr. Joel Keller (a), Greene County
Ms. Aishwarya Shrestha, SMCOG

Mr. Frank Miller, MoDOT Mr. Todd Wiesehan, Christian County (Chair)

(a) Denotes alternate given voting privileges as a substitute when voting member not present

The following members were not present:

Mr. Rick Artman, Greene County Mr. Mark Schenkelberg, FAA

Mr. Chris Boone, City of Strafford Mr. Travis Shaw, Springfield Public Schools Mr. John Caufield, BNSF Mr. Tommy VanHorn, City of Battlefield

Mr. Martin Gugel, City of Springfield Ms. Janette Vomund, MoDOT

Ms. Mary Kromrey, Ozarks Greenways Mr. Alex Woodson, Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Bradley McMahon, FHWA

Mr. Ahmad Mokhtee, FTA

Others present were: Ms. Stacy Reese, MoDOT; Mr. David Faucett, Ms. Sara Fields, Ms. Natasha Longpine, Ms. Debbie Parks, Mr. JD Stevenson, Ms. Nicole Stokes, and Mr. Andy Thomason, Ozarks Transportation Organization.

## I. Administration

## A. Introductions

Chair Todd Wiesehan welcomed everyone and requested introductions by a roll call.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Present
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Present
Brown, Randy	Present	O'Connor, Britni	Present
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Present
Crawford, Matt	Present	Pruitt, Cole	Present

Gardner, Dawne	Present	Roussell, Jeff	Present
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Present
Hall, Ezekiel	Present	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Present	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Present	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Present	Wiesehan, Todd	Present
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

A quorum was present.

# B. Approval of the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda

Mr. Humphrey made a motion to approve the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for October 20, 2021. Mr. Juranas seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

The motion passed.

## C. Approval of the August 18, 2021 and September 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Juranas made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 18, 2021 Technical Planning Committee Meeting and September 8, 2021 Technical Planning Committee E-Meeting. Mr. Parsons seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent

Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

## D. Public Comment Period for All Agenda Items

There were no speakers to address the committee.

# E. Staff Report

Ms. Fields reported the OTO Long Range Plan was adopted by the Board of Directors last month which is good for 5 years. This Plan is essential to ensure Federal Funds are available for use in the OTO MPO area. To implement the Long Range Plan, Ms. Longpine will be working on the Major Thoroughfare Plan and the Street Typology Idea.

OTO had a Federal Certification review in which OTO did not have any corrective actions. OTO received some commendations and a few recommendations. Most of the recommendations centered around environmental justice analysis. OTO passed the review which means federal funds will continue to be received for the next 4 years to be spent in the OTO MPO area.

There have been two new staff members added to OTO. Ms. Parks is the Grants Administrator and Mr. Stevenson is the Project Manager.

OTO has a few studies underway. Mr. Thomason is working on an FF Corridor Study as well as a Highway 13 North Corridor Study. There is also a study on a Chadwick Flyer Trail Overpass.

OTO is waiting on MoDOT's financial projections for the fuel tax and what funding would be available for projects. MoDOT will work on these projections after the first of the year.

#### F. Legislative Reports

There were no Legislative reports.

## G. MoDOT Report

Mr. Miller shared that MoDOT has been working on getting some of their major planning work products completed which includes the Unfunded Needs List, specifically the Tier 3 and unfunded multimodal lists. There were 101 needs from the OTO area that were submitted into the draft list which is currently under review. There will be a public meeting for the Unfunded Needs List this fall. MoDOT is also working on the Asset Management Plan. This plan sets the stage as to how MoDOT programs their construction projects. Mr. Miller encouraged everyone to take the Buckle Up, Phone Down pledge.

## II. New Business:

#### A. 2023-2027 STIP Priorities

Ms. Fields reported that in early 2022 MoDOT is expected to develop funding estimates for use in the 2023-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Once those estimates are developed, there is a very short window to add projects to the program. Therefore, MoDOT asked

for a list of prioritized projects to begin estimating project costs. Projects will only be considered after the funding of the asset management plan, ensuring that pavement and bridges are kept in good condition.

Once adopted by the Board, the list will be forwarded to MoDOT for consideration. The projects will be considered in order. The proposed list has impacts from existing projects which might delay a project from consideration while the impacts of the improvement are assessed. If a top project cannot be ready, costs more than the funding available, or is being impacted by a planned construction project, the next project would be considered. MoDOT has the flexibility to decide that a project doesn't meet the warrants for improvement or that the proposed improvement does not meet a benefit cost analysis or will not meet the identified needs. There are cases where projects can be constructed together and therefore should be advanced. This list serves as OTO's request, not a final expected listing of projects.

Mr. Pruitt made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed 2023-2027 STIP Project Priorities to the Board of Directors. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Aye
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

The motion passed.

#### **B.** Unfunded Needs

Ms. Fields stated MoDOT has requested a list of unfunded needs that can be used in planning scenarios. The request proposed specific funding for three tiers of projects. Projects should not be removed from the list until the project is programmed in the STIP. It should be noted that the cost estimates provided are educated estimates and, in some cases, once a final project is determined, the estimate will be revised.

The list includes the OTO priority list through the top 12. Projects were added to the list that communities were planning to cost share. Projects were also added for some regional distribution.

Ms. Gardner made a motion to recommend the Board of Directors approve the MoDOT Unfunded Needs List. Mr. Schaumburg seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Aye
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	Aye
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

#### C. Unfunded Multimodal Needs

Mr. Thomason shared that a multimodal unfunded needs list has been developed and shared with MoDOT. This list has been incorporated into a statewide list identifying \$1 billion in unfunded multimodal needs. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee and the STIP Priorities Subcommittee participated in the creation of the OTO's list.

The OTO was asked to identify \$52.98 million in unfunded multimodal needs. MoDOT did not stipulate what modes needed to be included or how the funds should be allocated. The OTO chose to include the following modes: aviation, transit, railroad, regional trails, and local sidewalks and trails. Mr. Thomason highlighted the list.

Mr. Parsons made a motion to recommend approval of the Multimodal Unfunded Needs List to the Board of Directors. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Aye
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

## D. FY 2022-2025 TIP Administrative Modification One

Ms. Longpine reported there were 3 items included as part of Administrative Modification 1 to the FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program.

- Chadwick Flyer Phase III (EN2203-22AM1)
   Changing project sponsor from Ozark Greenways to Ozarks Transportation
   Organization and changing TAP funding to STBG-U funding, with no changes in the programmed amount.
- 2. Chadwick Flyer Phase II (EN2204-22AM1)
  Changing TAP funding to STBG-U funding, with no changes in the programmed amount.
- Wilson's Creek Boulevard Trail (EN2205-22AM1)
   Changing project sponsor from Ozarks Transportation Organization to MoDOT.

This was informational only. No action was required.

#### E. FY 2022-2025 TIP Amendment Two

Ms. Longpine stated there were two items included as part of Amendment Number Two to the FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program.

- \*Revised\* Chadwick Flyer Highway Crossing Study (OK2206-22A2)
   Changing the scope to include siting a new interchange with US 65 and increasing the programmed amount to accommodate that change to \$69,000.
- \*Revised\* OTO Operations and Planning (OT1901-22A2)
   Increasing the programmed amount to match changes made in the OTO UPWP and Operating budget.

Ms. Gardner made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment 2 to the FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program to the Board of Directors. Mr. Juranas seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Aye
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent

Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

## F. Safety Targets

Ms. Longpine shared that MAP-21 established and the FAST Act maintained a performance-based approach to transportation investments, creating National Performance Goals. In keeping with these goals, State Departments of Transportation and Metropolitan Planning Organizations are required to establish targets. Each target has its own requirements and timelines. This year, only Safety performance targets will be reviewed.

Updated Safety Targets are required to be set by the end of February 2021.

Five individual targets comprise the Safety Targets:

- 1. Number of fatalities
- 2. Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
- 3. Number of serious injuries
- 4. Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled
- 5. Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries

Mr. Parsons made a motion to recommend support of the statewide targets by the Board of Directors. Mr. Pruitt seconded the motion. Chair Wiesehan asked for a roll call vote.

Member		Member	
Artman, Rick	Absent	Miller, Frank	Aye
Boone, Chris	Absent	Nelson, Andrew	Aye
Brown, Randy	Aye	O'Connor, Britni	
Caufield, John	Absent	Parsons, Jeremy	Aye
Crawford, Matt	Aye	Pruitt, Cole	Aye
Gardner, Dawne	Aye	Roussell, Jeff	Aye
Gugel, Martin	Absent	Schaumburg, David	Aye
Hall, Ezekiel	Aye	Shaw, Travis	Absent
Humphrey, Adam	Aye	VanHorn, Tommy	Absent
Juranas, Kirk	Aye	Vomund, Janette	Absent
Keller, Joel	Aye	Wiesehan, Todd	Aye
Kromrey, Mary	Absent	Woodson, Alex	Absent

The motion passed.

#### G. 2020 State of Transportation Report

Ms. Longpine reported that as another step to inform the public of transportation concerns in the region, OTO has produced a State of Transportation Report, which includes achievements and statistics from 2020. This report is produced annually and made available at public events and on the OTO website. Accompanying the report is an infographic showing progress on the

performance measures from the long range transportation plan, *Transportation Plan 2040*. Over the next year, OTO will be developing a new set of performance measures based on *Destination 2045*. Ms. Longpine provided an overview of the report.

This was informational only. No action was required.

#### H. OTO FY 2022 UPWP Administrative Modification One

Ms. Fields stated an administrative modification to the UPWP was processed to reflect a change allowing for the North 13 Corridor Study to use funding that was not programmed as part of the planning grant with MoDOT, but instead use STBG funding that is allocated to the region. This change left the \$100,000 that was planned to be used for other studies.

Staff is repurposing the funding for discretionary grants and additions to the Chadwick Flyer overpass study. The City of Ozark will be using STBG suballocated to the City of Ozark and local match to cover the additional expense.

Official approval of the repurposing of funds comes with the operating budget and TIP amendment approvals.

This was informational only. No action was required.

# III. Other Business

## A. Technical Planning Committee Member Announcements

Mr. Crawford shared that City Utilities is finalizing testing on their electric buses. They may start testing the buses on routes the beginning of November.

Mr. Parsons stated the City of Ozark will be hosting a ribbon cutting on November 4<sup>th</sup> for the downtown pedestrian improvements that have been made.

## B. Transportation Issues for Technical Planning Committee Member Review

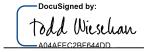
Ms. Gardner shared the City of Springfield is collecting survey data on e-scooters on their website.

#### C. Articles for Technical Planning Committee Member Information

Chair Wiesehan noted there were articles of interest included in the Agenda Packet. There was no discussion.

## IV. Adjournment

With no additional business to come before the Committee, Chair Wiesehan adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:33 p.m.



Todd Wiesehan

**Technical Planning Committee Chair**