

# Highway MM: *Corridor of Opportunity*



**HIGHWAY MM**  
CORRIDOR OF OPPORTUNITY

MODOT PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT  
APPLICATION



**Freight Connections**

**Exhibit III**



**REPUBLIC**  
MISSOURI



# 2025 Funding Request

## \$6 MILLION



OZARKS  
TRANSPORTATION  
ORGANIZATION  
A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION



**HIGHWAY MM**  
CORRIDOR OF OPPORTUNITY

Hwy MM is a regionally significant project that reduces safety risks for motorized travelers, meets capacity demands from economic growth, and provides connectivity to the City of Republic and surrounding rural areas, while providing for transportation to new schools and job centers.



HWY MM CORRIDOR JOBS CREATED

**3,371**

PAST 10-YEARS



BUILD SCENARIO

**46%**

REDUCTION IN PROJECTED CRASHES



NUMBER OF FUTURE JOB POTENTIAL NEXT  
8-YEARS

**2,000 TO 4,000**

BASED ON ESTIMATED DEVELOPMENT

## SAFETY

Will enable the corridor to safely absorb the increased traffic flow from 12,952 current vehicles per day to a future **28,718 vehicles per day**.

## ECONOMIC GROWTH

There is anticipated economic growth along this Enhanced Enterprise Zone corridor. There are **2,000+ jobs** projected and **844 acres** currently under development. Recent additions of Amazon, Convo of Hope, and McLane Ozark have added jobs in the past 5 years.

## FREIGHT MOVEMENT

Hwy MM connects I-44 and US 60 to the Springfield-Branson National Airport (**a foreign trade zone**).

# HIGHWAY MM FACTS

This project is Phase II of a \$62.5 million Hwy MM Corridor project. The Phase II (I-44 to MO 360) Section cannot be completed without an additional \$6 million in funding.



Missouri Hwy MM connects I-44 with MO 360 and US 60. **\$5.4 billion in freight** travel on I-44 and US 60 each year.



Project turns a two-lane rural arterial into a divided four-lane arterial with raised medians for freight and passenger safety.



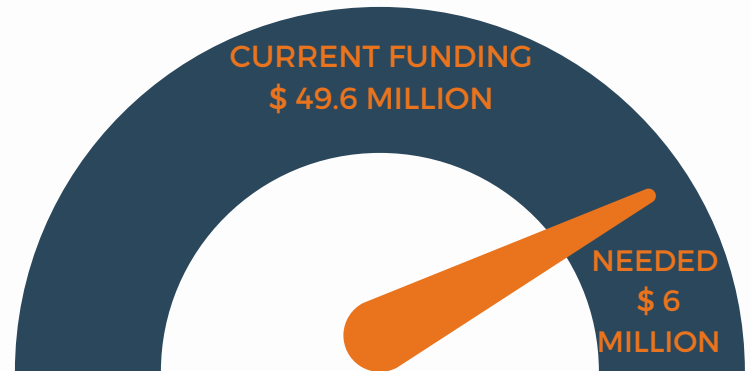
City of Republic has seen **140% housing growth** and **3.9% population growth** compared to previous 5 years.



There were **332 crashes** along Hwy MM from 2017 and 2023. Hwy MM and MO 360 intersection was ranked **fourth on Republic PD's "2023 Top 5 crash Locations"**.



Hwy MM is a developing corridor with companies that pay above average wages with manufacturing, construction, and warehouse employees. A new school with 800 student capacity is being built along the Phase I Hwy MM realignment.



Phase I	US60 to Haile St	STIP Funding \$34.4
Phase II	US360 to I-44	MODOT/DED Cost Share \$6 M Greene County \$1.5 M Republic \$1.5 M OTO Federal \$2.3 M <b>STILL NEEDED \$6 M</b>
Phase III	Haile to US360	Unfunded \$10.8 M

Economic growth is fueling corridor buildout creating jobs and housing opportunities. This same growth is increasing truck traffic which results in congestion and increased safety risks.



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SARA FIELDS,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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**2025**

# STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



**Springfield**  
Area Chamber of Commerce



# TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Given the state's geographic advantage as a transportation hub, safe and efficient transportation infrastructure is a crucial element in supporting our continued growth and development.

## **The Chamber supports:**

- A capital investment sufficient to fund Highway MM corridor improvements between I-44 and Route 360, enhancing regional economic growth, passenger safety and capacity demands.
- Continued consideration of alternative sources of funding for transportation infrastructure to ensure increased long-term investment in the statewide system; such funding should not negatively impact the state's limited general revenue budget.
- Evaluating the viability of raising auto license and registration fees in order to fund transportation.

- Partnerships between MoDOT, the region's local governments, and the private sector, including the cost share program.
- Increased funding for multimodal transportation to improve port, rail, aviation and a dedicated source of state transit funding for Missouri's public transit providers.
- Continued investment in broadband expansion throughout the state.
- Continued I-44 investment to improve capacity and enhance safety across the state.

## **The Chamber opposes:**

- The transfer of state-owned roadways to local ownership and maintenance.



*Transportation stakeholders meet with  
57th Governor Mike Parson*



# Capital Improvement Plan *2024-2028*



Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	Refinish and Repaint Community Center BB Courts					\$45,000	
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	Owen Park Parking Lot/Pavilion/Restrooms					\$175,000	
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	Replace Brookline Park Playground					\$250,000	
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	Replace Miller Park Playground					\$250,000	
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	Parking Lot Expansions/Formalization (Miller Park, Bervin White)					\$200,000	
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	ADA Upgrades	\$50,000					
Parks & Recreation	Special Projects	General Asphalt Repairs (Parking Lots, Trails)		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$75,000	\$75,000
<b>Total Capital Improvement Requests - Parks &amp; Recreation:</b>			<b>\$7,366,899</b>	<b>\$5,747,500</b>	<b>\$5,205,500</b>	<b>\$1,355,000</b>	<b>\$168,500</b>	

Department	Category	Project	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
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BUILDS	Equipment	Streets - Capital Vehicles	\$ 100,000				
BUILDS	Equipment	Wastewater - Capital Vehicles	\$ 250,000				
BUILDS	Equipment	Wastewater - Capital Equipment	\$ 10,000				
BUILDS	Special Projects	Stormwater Improvements		\$ 250,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Manhole Linings (I&I)		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
BUILDS	Special Projects	FM 112 I&I Reduction (CIP 4)		\$ 280,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Lift Station 4 Improvement (CIP 3)		\$ 1,000,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Water Main Extension Near Destiny Church		\$ 74,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Water Main Addition on Alexander Avenue		\$ 43,400			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Intersection Improvements at Hines Street and Highway ZZ (CIST Fund)			\$ 1,500,000		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Street Micro Sealing		\$ 50,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	FM 109 I&I Reduction (CIP 2)		\$ 1,323,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	FM 115 I&I Reduction (CIP 5)		\$ 1,440,500			
BUILDS	Special Projects	FM 108 Linear Improvements (CIP 15)		\$ 1,523,500			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Woodland Park Linear Improvements (CIP 12)		\$ 1,500,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Add Curb and Gutter Along Rosewood Street			\$ 520,000		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Improvements Along Illinois Avenue			\$ 1,510,740		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Intersection Improvements at MO-174 and Main Street			\$ 500,000		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Intersection Improvements at US Highway 60 and Main Street			\$ 750,000		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Paving - College Avenue, Berry Street			\$ 250,000		
BUILDS	Special Projects	Extend Sewer/Water to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield				\$ 7,000,000	
BUILDS	Special Projects	Extend Water Mains to Wilson's Creek National Battlefield				\$ 615,000	
BUILDS	Special Projects	Bailey Avenue Extension		\$ 300,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Various Water Main Improvements		\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 200,000	
BUILDS	Special Projects	Brookline Direct Sewer Improvements (CIP 9)			\$ 7,000,000	\$ 6,000,000	
BUILDS	Special Projects	Highway MM 5-Lane Expansion	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 4,000,000			
BUILDS	Special Projects	Republic Commons	\$ 350,000				
BUILDS	Special Projects	Shuyler Creek Trail	\$ 2,000,000				
BUILDS	Special Projects	Commercial Street Widening	\$ 600,000				
BUILDS	Special Projects	WWTP Blending	\$ 12,292,400				
BUILDS	Special Projects	WWTP CIP#6	\$ 4,131,050				
BUILDS	Special Projects	WWTP CIP#7	\$ 5,000,400				
BUILDS	Special Projects	WWTP Upgrade	\$ 30,500,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 30,000,000	\$ 13,000,000	
<b>Total Capital Improvement Requests - BUILDS</b>			<b>\$ 56,533,850</b>	<b>\$ 42,084,400</b>	<b>\$ 42,230,740</b>	<b>\$ 26,915,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>





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*Presiding Commissioner*

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**COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**Greene County, Missouri**  
**(417) 868-4112**

February 26, 2024

Mr. Andrew Nelson  
Assistant City Administrator  
City of Republic BUILDS Department  
4221 S. Wilson's Creek Boulevard  
Republic, MO 65738

**RE: RAISE Grant Support**  
**Route MM Roadway Widening Project in Republic, MO**

Dear Mr. Nelson:

The Greene County Commission is aware of the City of Republic's intent to pursue federal grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant for the Route MM corridor widening project, and that this proposed project scope would include the widening of the existing Route MM roadway corridor to a new 4-lane divided arterial with raised medians between I-44 and James River Freeway. We recognize that the adjacent land use surrounding this transportation corridor currently encompasses several major commercial and industrial developments including a new Amazon warehouse distribution facility, the Convoy of Hope world distribution center, McLane Trucking grocery and foodservice distribution facility, along with several other existing industrial development facilities.

As a result of this increasing land use intensity around the City of Republic, the Route MM corridor is strained in its current condition to provide adequate level of service for the transportation needs of our citizens. On behalf of the Greene County Commission, we believe that the widening improvements of Route MM are critically needed in order to facilitate the continued growth that is occurring within this surrounding region.

We wish to express our support for the City's pursuit of this federal transportation grant funding. As a demonstration of Greene County's commitment and support towards this RAISE Grant project, we are hereby committing to share in the cost of this project through a cooperative agreement with the City of Republic in order to aid in the construction of these proposed roadway improvements. Greene County will commit to

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matching the City of Republic's contribution of non-federal local funds to this project, in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million.

Greene County has a rich history of working in a cooperative effort with both the City of Republic and MoDOT to deliver transportation improvements to our region, and we look forward to another opportunity to maximize our resources in this effort to improve the safety and capacity of the Route MM roadway corridor for our citizens.

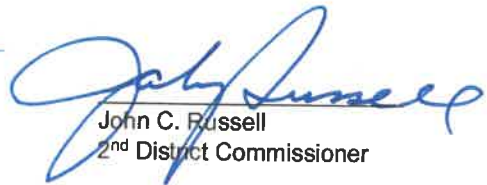
Sincerely,



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