# OZARKS TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 17, 2022

The Technical Planning Committee of the Ozarks Transportation Organization met at its scheduled time in person.

The following members were present:

Mr. Garrett Brickner (a), City of Republic Ms. Paula Brookshire (a), City of Springfield Mr. Peter Bryant (a), City of Willard/Strafford Mr. Matt Crawford, City Utilities Transit Ms. Dawne Gardner (a), City of Springfield Mr. Martin Gugel, City of Springfield Mr. Kirk Juranas, City of Springfield Mr. Joel Keller (a), Greene County Ms. Mary Kromrey, Ozark Greenways Mr. Frank Miller, MoDOT Mr. Jeff Roussell, City of Nixa (Vice-Chair) Ms. Beth Schaller, MoDOT Ms. Aishwarya Shrestha, SMCOG Mr. Tommy VanHorn, City of Battlefield (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 Ms. Emily Denniston, Spfld Chamber of Commerce Mr. Adam Humphrey, Greene County Mr. John Matthews, MSU Mr. Ahmad Mokhtee, FTA Ms. Britni O'Connor, MoDOT Mr. Jeremy Parsons, City of Ozark Mr. David Schaumburg, Springfield-Branson Airport Mr. Mark Schenkelberg, FAA Mr. Travis Shaw, Springfield Public Schools Ms. Janet Vomund, MoDOT Mr. Jeremy Wegner, BNSF Mr. Todd Wiesehan, Christian County

Others present were: Mr. Steve Prange, CMT; Mr. Neil Brady, Bartlett West; 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

- **B.** Approval of the Technical Planning Committee Meeting Agenda Due to a lack of a quorum, the agenda item was not brought to the committee.
- C. Approval of June 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes Due to a lack of the quorum, the agenda item will be moved to the October 19, 2022 Technical Planning Committee agenda.
- D. Public Comment Period for All Agenda Items

Chairman VanHorn advised there were public comments included in the packet. Chairman VanHorn asked for comments or questions.

## E. Staff Report

Ms. Fields gave a brief staff report.

## F. Legislative Report

There were no legislative representatives in attendance.

#### G. MoDOT Report

Mr. Miller gave updates from MoDOT.

#### Π. **New Business**

### A. Annual Listing of Obligated Projects

Ms. Longpine stated Ozarks Transportation Organization is required by federal law to publish Annual Listing of Obligated Projects. The OTO Program Year 2022 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects was in the agenda for member review. The Program Year 2022 includes the time period from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. This is required to be published by September 28, 2022. Ms. Longpine reviewed the ALOP for those in attendance.

Due to the lack of a quorum, no vote was taken. There were no objections or suggested changes from those in attendance. This item will be on the September 15, 2022 Board of Directors meeting agenda for final approval.

### B. FY 2023-2026 TIP Amendment One

Ms. Longpine shared that there were two items included as part of Amendment Number One to the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

- \*REVISED\* Christian County Truss Bridge Bundle (CC2304-23A1) 1. Christian County is requesting to add local funds and two additional bridges to the Green Bridge project to create the Christian County Truss Bridge Bundle, with a revised total programmed amount of \$11,742,089.
- 2. \*New\* Interstate Striping (MO2310-23A1) MoDOT is requesting to add a project for striping on I-44 from Route 360 to 2 miles east of Route 125, with a programmed amount of \$264,000.

Due to a lack of quorum, no vote was taken. There were no objections or suggested changes from those in attendance. This item will go before the Technical Planning Committee again at a special E-meeting scheduled for August 29, 2022.

### C. FY 2023 UPWP Amendment One

Ms. Parks reported OTO is required on an annual basis to prepare a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which includes plans and programs the MPO will undertake during the fiscal year. The UPWP contains additional items from the Operational budget such as In-Kind match expenses. The UPWP budget is included in the annual contract with MoDOT for OTO operating expenses. An Amendment is proposed to the FY 2023 UPWP Budget. Ms. Parks reviewed the Amendment details.

Due to a lack of quorum, no vote was taken. There were no objections or suggested changes from those in attendance. This item will go before the Technical Planning Committee again at a special E-meeting scheduled for August 29, 2022.

### D. Funding Plan for Carbon Reduction and TAP Funding

Ms. Fields shared that OTO has additional funding appropriated for transportation alternatives and carbon reduction programs resulting from the IIJA (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act). This represents a significant amount of funding and there is a timeline for funds to be obligated. The FY 2022 funds would have to be obligated by September 2025 but ideally would be planned for obligation by September 2024.

The OTO Executive Director would like to see the Board of Directors to consider a plan that funds a partnership with MoDOT to construct sidewalks along state routes, as well as sidewalks on city streets and continued investment in trails.

Ms. Fields presented the details of the recommended funding plan in which OTO would allocate 25% of the Carbon Reduction and Transportation Alternative Funding through FY 2026 to a cost share program with MoDOT to make sidewalk improvements along state highways.

Due to the lack of a quorum, no vote was taken. There were no objections or suggested changes from those in attendance. This item will be on the September 15, 2022 Board of Directors meeting agenda for final approval.

#### E. North 13 Transportation Study

Mr. Thomason stated the North Highway 13 Corridor Study was a partnership between OTO, Springfield, and Greene County to identify needed improvements at the interchange of MO-13 and I-44. Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly (CMT) was contracted to assist in the development of the corridor study. Mr. Thomason and Mr. Prange, with CMT, presented the findings of the study.

Due to the lack of a quorum, no vote was taken. There were no objections or suggested changes from those in attendance. This item will be on the September 15, 2022 Board of Directors meeting agenda for final approval.

#### III. **Other Business**

### A. Technical Planning Committee Member Review

Ms. Gardner shared news from the City of Springfield.

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

Ms. Fields suggested reviewing the TPC membership in the OTO Bylaws to possibly avoid a quorum issue. Mr. VanHorn asked about Mr. Bryant representing Willard and Strafford, and whether he has two votes.

C. Articles for Technical Planning Committee Member Information Chairman VanHorn noted there were articles of interest included in the Agenda Packet.

#### **Adjournment** IV.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:31 p.m.

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Tommy VanHorn Technical Planning Committee Chair