

**Missouri STP Priorities Committee
February 13, 2024
Meeting Summary**

Voting Members Present:		Voting Members (continued)	
Belton	Greg Rokos	Parkville	
Blue Springs (1 of 2)	Adam Hilgedick	Peculiar	Mickey Ary
Blue Springs (2 of 2)	Jim Burgess (alt.)	Platte City	
Excelsior Springs		Pleasant Hill	Shelby Teufel
Gladstone	Tim Nebergall	Raymore	Trent Salsbury (alt.)
Grain Valley	Mark Trosen	Raytown	Robinson Camp
Grandview	Doug Wesselschmidt	Richmond	
Greenwood		Smithville	Chuck Soules
Harrisonville	Patty Hilderbrand, Chair	Cass County	
Independence (1 of 2)	Adi Al-Smadi	Clay County	Jason Withington (alt.)
Independence (2 of 2)	Stacey Lowe	Jackson County	
Kansas City (1 of 4)	Nicolás Bosonetto	Platte County	Bob Heim
Kansas City (2 of 4)	Chad Thompson (alt.)	Ray County	Matt Nolker
Kansas City (3 of 4)		FHWA (Ex Officio)	
Kansas City (4 of 4)		KCATA	
Kearney	Shelie Daniel	MoDOT	Marisela Ward
Lee's Summit (1 of 2)	George Binger	Bike/Ped Com Rep.	Noel Bennion
Lee's Summit (2 of 2)	Michael Park	Goods Movement	Mike Duffy
Liberty	Sherri McIntyre, Vice Chair	Highway Com Rep.	
North Kansas City	Anthony Sands	RTCC Rep.	
Oak Grove			
MARC Staff:		Other Attendees:	
Marc Hansen	Belton: Haden Mattke (alt.)	Arthur Gough	
Megan Broll	Grain Valley: Dick Tuttle (alt.)	Clay County: Dianna Wright; Terri Griffen	
	Grandview: Athena Huynh (alt.)	Glenaire: Dale Marcell	
	Harrisonville: Carl Brooks (alt.)	Overland Park: Bruce Wacker	
Beth Dawson	North Kansas City: Xue Wood (alt.)	Parkville: Daniel Harper	
Ellie Hall	Smithville: Mayra Toothman (alt.)	Richmond: Rob Swafford	
Kyle Hoener	Platte County, MO: Wes Minder (alt.)	Affinis: Jeff Bryan; Jacob Wilson	
Martin Rivarola	MoDOT: Juan Yin (alt.); Katie	BHC: David Smalling; Randy Gorton	
Ray Webb	Jardieu; Krystal Jolly; Ben McCabe;	JEO Consulting Group: David Nolte	
	Melissa Schmitz	Lamp Rynearson: Dan Miller	
		Office of U.S. Representative Sam Graves: Christian Holferty;	
		Wyatt Mullendore	
		Platte County EDC: Santos Arellano	
		Taliaferro & Browne, Inc.: Michael Gardner	
		TranSystems Corporation: Jonathan Batchelor	

1. Welcome and Introductions

Committee Chair Patty Hilderbrand welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

2. Approve the January 9, 2024, Meeting Summary

Chuck Soules moved to approve the January 9, 2024 meeting summary as presented, and Sherrie McIntyre seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. MoDOT Updates

Don Schoenborn is a newly hired planner with MoDOT, and the LPA team should be reaching out to Carbon Reduction Program awardees soon. MoDOT is working on programming the STIP for the next five years as well as updating the Unfunded Needs list. The MoDOT call for projects schedule was released in January. The statewide planning partner meeting is on February 29.

4. Reasonable Progress & Program Balance

Marc Hansen shared the obligation targets for 2024 allocation for Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG), and Surface Transportation Block Grant Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA), and noted the total target obligation for 2024 is \$45.1m. MO STP Priorities Committee has obligated a net of just over \$405k from Operation Green Light's operations costs combined with returned funds from some deobligated projects. MoDOT has not specified how money would be reclaimed if programming failed to meet obligation targets (proportional, by program, etc). Larger balances in some programs (such as Carbon Reduction Program, which just finished programming) may require other committees such as MO STP to increase obligations.

Marc Hansen shared an update for projects on the 2024 program after recent schedule changes, and called for updates. Blue Springs' Route 7 Complete Streets project will likely be moved to the 2025 schedule; as a result, the remaining amount needing to be programmed is closer to \$17.6m.

Committee members discussed various projects, noting in particular that projects in Lee's Summit (Prior Road) and Kansas City (Front Street) could take on additional funds, and Belton and Lawson requested funding for projects that had not previously been awarded (Markey Parkway and Nolker Drive, respectively). MoDOT and MARC staff noted these projects would still need to go through the MoDOT review process. The committee discussed increasing allocations to funded projects by 2% and awarding funding to the Belton and Lawson projects, acknowledging that funds may need to be shifted in the future due to overprogramming. When discussing future projects, Nicolás Bosonetto noted the possibility of the 31st Street project in Kansas City swapping places with the North Oak project due to the World Cup.

Sherrie McIntyre moved to increase funding to the Front Street project by \$2m, Pryor Road project by \$10m, Planning Sustainable Places by \$180k, Berkley Riverfront Mobility Hub project by \$250k, Greenwood Connector by \$650k, and funding \$3m to Belton and \$1m to Lawson. Doug Wesselschmidt seconded the motion.

Discussion followed, with Nicolás Bosonetto requesting more funding for Front Street. The committee also discussed the Greenwood Connector project, and if they would face difficulty obligating funds on time and/or receive additional funding for the project through TA.

Sherrie McIntyre amended the motion to shift added funding from the Greenwood Connector project to Front Street, funding the Front Street project by \$2.65m. Doug Wesselschmidt seconded the motion.

The committee continued to discuss funding amounts, funding percentages from overall project costs, and projects' ability to obligate.

Greg Rokos moved to call to question, and Doug seconded the motion. Chair Hilderbrand clarified the committee would vote to approve increasing obligations for Kansas City Front Street project by \$2.65m, Lee's Summit Pryor Road by \$10m, Planning Sustainable Places by \$180k, Berkley Riverfront Mobility Hub by \$250k, Belton (Markey Parkway) to \$3m, and Lawson (Nolker Drive) to \$1m. Chair Hilderbrand called for vote by acclamation; hearing nays, Chair Hilderbrand called for a roll call vote. Matt Nolker called for point of order to clarify who would be able to vote; Chair Hilderbrand noted staff would call upon eligible voting members.

Roll call vote: To approve increasing obligations for Kansas City Front Street project by \$2.65m, Lee’s Summit Pryor Road by \$10m, Planning Sustainable Places by \$180k, Berkley Riverfront Mobility Hub by \$250k, Belton to \$3m, and Lawson to \$1m.

Member	Voting member present	Vote
Belton	Greg Rokos	Yes
Blue Springs (1 of 2)	Adam Hilgedick	Yes
Blue Springs (2 of 2)	Jim Burgess (alt.)	Yes
Excelsior Springs		
Gladstone	Tim Nebergall	Yes
Grain Valley	Mark Trosen	Yes
Grandview	Doug Wesselschmidt	Yes
Greenwood		
Harrisonville	Patty Hilderbrand, Chair	Yes
Independence (1 of 2)	Adi Al-Smadi	
Independence (2 of 2)	Stacey Lowe	Yes
Kansas City (1 of 4)	Nicolás Bosonetto	No
Kansas City (2 of 4)	Chad Thompson (alt.)	No
Kansas City (3 of 4)		
Kansas City (4 of 4)		
Kearney	Shelie Daniel	Yes
Lee’s Summit (1 of 2)	George Binger	Yes
Lee’s Summit (2 of 2)	Michael Park	Yes
Liberty	Sherri McIntyre, Vice Chair	Yes
North Kansas City	Anthony Sands	No
Oak Grove		
Parkville		
Peculiar	Mickey Ary	Yes
Platte City		
Pleasant Hill	Shelby Teufel	Yes
Raymore	Trent Salsbury (alt.)	Yes
Raytown	Robinson Camp	Yes
Richmond		
Smithville	Chuck Soules	Yes
Cass County		
Clay County	Jason Withington (alt.)	Yes
Jackson County		
Platte County	Bob Heim	Yes
Ray County	Matt Nolker	Yes
FHWA (Ex Officio)		
KCATA		
MoDOT	Marisela Ward	Abstain
Bike/Ped Com Rep.	Noel Bennion	Yes
Goods Movement Rep.	Mike Duffy	No
Highway Com Rep.		
RTCC Rep.		

Of voting members present, 21 voted in favor of the motion, 4 voted against the motion, and 1 abstained. Adi Smadi was not present at the vote. The motion passed.

The committee noted the total appropriated amount was just over \$17m, and the amount needing to be obligated was close to \$17.6. Sherri McIntyre moved to add the remaining balance (roughly \$630k) to the Front Street project. Chuck Soules seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. **2024 Programming Update**

Pending approval from the Total Transportation Policy Committee, a call for projects will be released for programming work for the CRP, CMAQ, STBG, and TA. CMAQ, STBG, and TA will look at federal fiscal years 2027 and 2028; the CRP is a newer program and will program 2025 and 2026 to catch up with the other programs, in addition to 2027 and 2028. All target amounts are subject to change based on the next anticipated federal transportation bill. Mr. Hansen shared expected amounts for each program for Kansas and Missouri, totaling an estimated \$102.2m in Missouri. Mr. Hansen shared the call for projects

schedule, with workshops and office hours to provide support for applicants, and the completion of the process expected for January of 2025.

CRP and CMAQ will share applications, with committee assignments to CMAQ programming under consideration; CMAQ is currently programmed by four separate committees, but that may be problematic with trying to reduce balances. If a new committee is formed to program CMAQ and CRP, that will not be established in time to use for the current programming round. TTPC will assist in developing a work group of members from MO STP and other committees to program these funds for the current round, with more information to come. Mr. Hansen noted CMAQ is the only MARC program that divides funding by specific categories. The committee discussed creating a new committee might cause coordination issues, and that CMAQ is established enough now that goals and priorities can be set for each category across broad project types (so funding minimums may no longer be needed). The committee also decided to continue to exclude funds for design/engineering, right of way (ROW), and utility relocation, with flexibility to allow for funding on a case-by-case basis for awarded projects.

The committee reviewed the revised criteria for scoring bridge projects, and Chair Hilderbrand called for questions. Matt Nolker moved to approve bridge criteria as submitted, and Sherri McIntyre seconded the motion. The motion passed.

6. Operation Green Light Update

Traffic Operations Director Ray Webb shared an overview of the Operation Greenlight Program (OGL). Currently about 54% of operations funding is federal STBG funds, with local agencies providing the remainder at roughly \$800 per signal. Mr. Webb shared basic program elements and successes of his team. OGL was awarded a USDOT SMART grant last year to help provide arterial performance measures and optimize the use of existing roadway facilities, and the structure of the grant allows for scaling up with future projects. Mr. Webb briefed the committee on funding over recent years, noting budgets are generally inflation based, but the 2027-2028 budget has been increased to add potential for more/continued crowdsourcing.

7. Missouri Unfunded Needs

Martin Rivarola, Assistant Director of Transportation and Land Use, noted he would follow up with an email to the committee and will ask them to help prioritize projects at a future discussion. He briefly highlighted some updates to project prioritization, noting last year's list of projects has grown significantly, exceeding MoDOT's target by \$270m. Mr. Rivarola will share project lists with the committee to assign initial rankings, to help inform prioritization at the next committee meeting. Mr. Rivarola clarified MTP scores were assigned to projects during the call for projects in 2019 for inclusion in the Connected KC 2050 plan, which was again used for the most recent call for projects for the Connected KC 2050 update.

8. Connected KC 2050 Update

Martin Rivarola reported 289 projects were received as part of the call for projects to be included in the Connected KC 2050 update, and 132 of those were new project submissions. Mr. Rivarola hopes to take a full assessment (including scores) of projects for inclusion on the update to planning modal committees in March, to determine if they should go on constrained or illustrative project lists. Mr. Rivarola expects to have a listing of financially constrained and illustrative projects by fall of 2024. Any questions about project scoring can be directed to Mr. Rivarola at mrivarola@marc.org.

9. CRRSAA Regional Preventive Maintenance Project Update

Marc Hansen shared that preconstruction meetings will be held February 22, 2024. Meeting details have been distributed, but additional questions can be directed to Principal Planner Darryl Fields at dfields@marc.org.

10. Other Business

The MARC Regional Leadership Awards is calling for nominations. Nominations should be submitted by March 1 at <https://www.marc.org/about-marc/regional-leadership-awards>.

11. Adjournment

The next MO STP meeting will be held March 12, 2024. With no further business, Vice Chair Sherri McIntyre adjourned the meeting.