



Operation Green Light Joint Steering & Technical Committee Meeting

Monday, March 22, 1:30 PM
MARC - **Board Room**
Rivergate Center, 600 Broadway, Kansas City, MO

AGENDA ITEMS

Welcome & Introductions

- 1. Approve February's Steering Committee Meeting Minutes**
- 2. Round table of brief updates of Agency activities, example of possible items below**
 - a. KCMO - traffic operations center update
 - b. MoDOT - M-291, InSync status, etc
 - c. Flashing yellow operations
- 3. Discussion – Future Call for Projects / Funding**

Update as to the timing of the call for projects. Are there current specific projects that cities are in need of such as controller upgrades, expansion items, CCTV or other items?
- 4. Discussion – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project updates**
 - a. MO & KS Traffic Signal Timing
 - b. KS ARRA enhancements
 - c. MO ARRA enhancements
 - d. TransSuite Regional software enhancements
- 5. Current project update – progress report handout**
 - a. Field Communications
 - b. Ward Parkway update
 - c. TransSuite system software support
- 6. Operations Agreements Execution Status - handout**
- 7. Other Business**

Next Meeting: April 26, 2010

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MINUTES

Members Present	MARC Staff Present	Non-Members Present
Greg Rokos - KCMO - Co-Chair	Arla Speer	Mike Wahlstedt - TranSystems
Ron Freyermuth - Shawnee	Chris Jenkins	Jamie Gilbert - GBA
Dave Northup - KCK	Ron Achelpohl	
Steve Schooley - Lenexa	Ray Webb	
Tom Peterson - Olathe	Barry Viss	
Dave Kumke - Olathe	Scott Cutshall	
Wei Sun - KCMO		
Mark Sherfy - Shawnee		
Srini Veeramallu - KCMO		
Donna Coatsworth - Independence		
Brian Shields - Overland Park		
Doug Brown - Overland Park		
Leslie Fowler - KDOT		
Leslee Fonseca - Mission		
Karen Gilbertson - FHWA		
Cheryl Hendrixson - KDOT		
John Sullivan - Westwood		

Welcome & Introductions

1. Approve February’s Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

In number 3C of the February minutes, it was asked that “FHWA” would be replaced with “MODOT” in the following sentence: March 5 unobligated funds will be swept and redistributed and FHWA does not want to release the extra money and then lose it. The minutes were approved as corrected.

2. Round table of brief updates of Agency activities, example of possible items below

- a. KCMO - traffic operations center update**
All of the bids were rejected and a second call for bids has gone out. KCMO will hold a pre-bid conference March 23 and the bid opening April 6. The contract will be executed within 3 months from bid opening. The project is expected to take 6 months to complete.
- b. Flashing yellow operations**
Olathe explained Flashing Yellow Operations indicates that instead of a green turning arrow in a permissive left turn lane, a flashing yellow arrow is used. Studies show this operation is safer and the public understanding seems to be quick. Olathe is waiting for better technology before they start using the flashing yellow operation. Liberty, Independence, and Lawrence are using the operation.

3. Discussion – Future Call for Projects / Funding Ron Achelpohl, MARC

- Congress has passed an extension through the end of December and removed the 2009 rescission.
- o The Highway Trust Fund has been restored and is solvent
 - o SAFETEA-LU is extended through December of 2010 with a funding level of \$42 billion for FFY 2010.

MARC is waiting to issue a call for STP & Bridge projects until the Long-Range Transportation Plan is adopted in June. CMAQ funding may be now available in Missouri as well as in Kansas for a Call for Projects this summer.. MARC will email a survey before the next meeting requesting input on future OGL funding and enhancements options.

4. Discussion – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) project updates

- a. MO & KS Traffic Signal Timing Mike Wahlstedt, TranSystems
 - o Signal Data collection has begun specifically on Shawnee Mission Parkway, Hwy 40, the Plaza, Red Bridge Road, State Line, Route 45, and US 71/Prospect. We are looking for timing plans and implementation in the late spring.
- b. KS ARRA enhancements GBA
 - o Project bids Tuesday at 10:00. There are several plan holders.
- c. MO ARRA enhancements RAY
 - o Project opened bid February 3. MoDOT has reviewed the bids and sent comments to MARC staff. There is no Notice to Proceed as of yet. MARC is waiting for concurrence in order to officially award the project.
- d. TransSuite Regional software enhancements RAY
 - o KDOT provided PIF. Working to put together final contract and proceed. MARC's board has already authorized the contract. This contract is part of the \$1 million KS ARRA award.

5. Current project update – progress report handout Barry Viss, MARC

- a. Field Communications Chris Jenkins, MARC
 - o KCK- KCMO link is up and running.
 - o Van Brunt and I-70 agreement has its first reading this Thursday.
 - o Left to do:
 - Ward Parkway – let by KCMO
 - 58 Hwy – part of MO ARRA communications
 - 3 intersections in KCK that are difficult to reach
 - Signal timing is left to ARRA consultants
 - o MARC staff has had database problems lately. Consultant Daryl Kelly is coming next week to work on the database, as there is no TransCore contract yet.
- b. Ward Parkway update Ron Achelpohl, MARC
 - TIP was updated to allow KCMO to move forward with the project, \$700k. KCMO has submitted plans to MoDOT for approval.
- c. TransSuite system software support Ray Webb, MARC
 - Due to MoDOT planning issues on sole source, solicitation now reads generic with a 3-year budget. Bid closes on April 16. This requires MoDOT / FHWA concurrence, audit, etc. and is different due to 100% Federal funding. We are looking at May or June before it will be done.

6. Operations Agreements Execution Status – handout Ray Webb, MARC

- o Main areas since we last met includes several invoices going out
- o Need the local funds for the federal match
- o Liberty Council passed its agreement. MARC staff gave a presentation to Fairway two weeks ago. Their agreement goes to council in next month or two.
- o KCMO's agreement is read this week.
- o MoDOT is not ready yet.
- o MARC has received Mission Woods and Prairie Village's agreements – ready to send on for the AG's signature.

7. Other Business

- o OGL open house this Friday, 2-4 in Lee's Summit

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