ATTENDANCE

Committee Members/Alternates:
Gary Lathrop, Cass County Cities (City of Belton)  Jim Jarrett, GBA
Mike Spickelmier, City of Lansing  Paul Foundoukis, FHWA-Kansas Division
Mike McDonald, City of Leavenworth  Sherry McIntyre, City of Kansas City, MO
Mike Moriarty, KDOT  Sarah Shafer, Unified Government of
Jack Messer, City of Overland Park  Wyandotte County and Kansas City, KS
Alysen Abel, City of Parkville  David Slater, Clay County Municipalities
Geoffrey Vohs, Johnson County  
Sean Partain, MoDOT  Martin Rivarola
Mark Sommerhauser, KC Scout  Caitlin Zibers
Carl Brooks, City of Peculiar  Patrick Trouba
Melissa Schmitz, MoDOT  Kaleena Salazar

Meeting Objectives:
• Discuss 2020 Committee Work Plan
• Discuss Functional Class process improvements
• Provide an update on RTP2050 development

Agenda:
Welcome and Introductions (Co-Chairs)
Approve July 24th Meeting Summary (Co-Chairs)
Discuss 2020 Work Plan/Meeting Date (Caitlin Zibers)
Functional Class Process Update (Kaleena Salazar)
RTP2050 Update (Martin Rivarola)
Committee Roundtable Updates (All)
Adjourn

MINUTES
Welcome and Introductions (Co-Chairs)
Introductions made. See attendance for those present.

Approve July 24th Meeting Summary (Co-Chairs)
The July 24th Meeting Summary was approved.

2020 Work Plan/Meeting Dates (Caitlin Zibers)
RTP2050 has a targeted completion date of early Spring 2020. Discussion of projects are scheduled to coordinate efforts, which will be kept on the workplan. MARC is open to suggestions on possibly retaining a public speaker for each Highway Committee meeting to discuss areas of interest. Topics of interest that came up were drones, autonomous vehicles, updates on the Hyperloop, and updates from district engineers.
Performance measures will be redeveloped in 2020. MARC will modify regional performance measures, so regional and federal changes will be performed this coming year. Programming sub-allocated funds is done every other year, and MARC has asked for which projects can receive funding. MARC is also looking at different ways of engaging with planning committees.

The call for projects will be later in the year than normal, however Functional Class updates are still scheduled for twice a year. A proposal was passed to move the November 2020 Highway Committee meeting off a week to not interfere with Thanksgiving.

**Functional Class Process Update (Kaleena Salazar)**
Background on the current Functional Class process was presented. Also discussed were database issues that MARC encounters which occur with discrepancies between the DOTs, FHWA, and MARC. The proposed change is to submit all roadway changes online to streamline the process. An overview of the new process was presented, with steps on how to complete a submission. During the presentation, an early call for Functional Class updates for December 17th was asked of the committee, as well as checking their jurisdictions’ roadway classifications and making any necessary updates by February 28th. Concerns were addressed about possibly involving a letter of support from one’s own or adjacent cities.

**RTP2050 Update (Martin Rivarola)**
MARC performed a call projects earlier in the year, scored them, held a workshop, and opened an online survey for committee members. The LRTP 30-year plan is currently being updated and will change its name to ConnectedKC 2050. The implementation of this plan is set for June 2020. There was discussion of outcomes and what MARC would like to achieve using outlined policy goals. Also highlighted were the over-arching strategies implemented. A scenario analysis was performed involving trend growth versus focused growth models. The results from both models indicate that the focused growth trend is the best way to accommodate the needs of MARCs goals. Also discussed was the prioritization approach and determining which projects we should invest in. Many projects being funded are maintenance and rehabilitation projects, and other projects have been grouped into different categories based on funding needs. A Project Prioritization Survey was sent out to committee members, in which MARC received around a 40% participation rate. MARC is currently asking public audiences about project prioritization. A public survey link was placed on the MARC website, where the last day to participate was December 4th. So far, 850 responses have come from the public survey. The next steps include a Steering Workgroup in December.

**Committee Roundtable Updates (All)**
None.

**Adjourn**
The Committee adjourned at 2:40 PM.

**NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 22, 2020, 1:30-3:00 PM**