OPEN MEETING NOTICE

MISSOURI STP PRIORITIES COMMITTEE
January 9, 2018
1:30 PM
Board Room, MARC Offices
600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, Missouri 64105

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approve the December 12, 2017 Meeting Summary*

3. MoDOT Updates

4. Grandview I-49 Project Delivery Method*
   Consideration of a request from the City of Grandview to endorse the use of the design-build project delivery method for the I-49 Outer Roadway Conversion project. Please reference the attached letter from the city.

5. Regional Pedestrian Policy Plan
   MARC staff will brief the committee on the development of the plan. For more information, please see: [http://marc.org/Transportation/Plans-Studies/Transportation-Plans-and-Studies/Regional-Pedestrian-Policy-Plan](http://marc.org/Transportation/Plans-Studies/Transportation-Plans-and-Studies/Regional-Pedestrian-Policy-Plan).

6. STP Reasonable Progress

7. Other Business

8. Adjournment

* Action Items

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: February 13, 2018

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December 29, 2017

Mr. Ron Achelpohl
Mid America Regional Council
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Kansas City, MO  64105

RE: STP-3322(410)-I-49 Frontage Road 2-Way Conversion-Phase 1, TIP number 627019

Ron,

The City of Grandview would like to request that the STP Missouri Priorities committee formally support the design build project delivery method for the I-49 Outer Roadway Conversion project at the January 9, 2018 regular meeting of the STP Missouri Priorities committee meeting.

Thank you for making this request to the committee members for their consideration.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dennis Randolph
Public Works Director-City of Grandview
Missouri STP Priorities Committee  
January 9, 2018  
Meeting Summary

Voting Members Present:  
Belton  
Blue Springs (1 of 2)  
Blue Springs (2 of 2)  
Excelsior Springs  
Gladstone  
Grain Valley  
Grandview  
Greenwood  
Harrisonville  
Independence (1 of 2)  
Independence (2 of 2)  
Kansas City (1 of 4)  
Kansas City (2 of 4)  
Kansas City (3 of 4)  
Kansas City (4 of 4)  
Kearney  
Lee’s Summit (1 of 2)  
Lee’s Summit (2 of 2)  
Liberty  
North Kansas City  
Oak Grove  

Voting Members (continued)  
Parkville  
Peculiar  
Platte City  
Pleasant Hill  
Raymore  
Raytown  
Richmond  
Smithville  
Cass County  
Clay County  
Jackson County  
Platte County  
Ray County  
FHWA (Ex Officio)  
KCATA  
MoDOT  
Bike/Ped Com Rep.  
Highway Com Rep.  
RTCC Rep.  

MARC Staff:  
Marc Hansen  
Terry Anderson  
Ron Achelpohl  
Martin Rivarola  
Darryl Fields  
Aaron Bartlett  

Other Attendees:  
MoDOT:  Griffin Smith (alt.), Shelie Daniel, Eva Steinman, Chris Redline, Marisela Ward, Sean Partain  
Jackson County: Josh Boehm  
Raymore: Greg Rokos (alt.)  
Riverside: Travis Hoover  
Art Gough  
Bartlett & West: Craig Mitchell  
BHC Rhodes: David Nolte  
Mid American Signal: Shawn Batalia  
Renaissance Infrastructure Consulting: Bill Yord  
TranSystems: John Zimmermann  
Walter P Moore: Kurt Rotering  
WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff: Jim Tobaben

1. **Welcome and Introductions**  
Vice Chair Andy Noll welcomed the attendees and self-introductions were made around the room.

2. **Approval of Meeting Summary**  
MOTION: Commissioner Jimmy Odom moved and Chris Sandie seconded to approve the December 12, 2017 meeting summary with minor corrections noted. Motion carried.

3. **MoDOT Updates**  
Mike Landvik reported a new regulation from the Federal Highway: the use of rectangular flashing beacons as a traffic control device can no longer be used on federal highway projects. MoDOT staff have contacted agencies they were aware of using the devices. Going forward, an alternative devise would be needed. Contact MoDOT to determine your options.

Griffin Smith provided an update for the planning scenario discussed during the past meeting. MoDOT submitted the list that was approved last month by this committee to Central office. They are working with the project lists submitted statewide and creating maps. Next steps are unknown; however, MARC and the STP Committee will continue to be involved in any next steps.
4. **Grandview I-49 Project Delivery Method**

A letter from Grandview, included in the distributed meeting packet, requested that the STP Missouri Priorities Committee formally support the design build project delivery method for their I-49 Frontage Road 2-way Conversion Phase 1, TIP # 627019. The project is programmed for $5M, FY 2018, STP-3322(410). Dennis Randolph shared that the city had split the project into sections with the total cost of about $15M. They have put together almost all of the city’s portion of funds needed for the project. They have used design-build and are ready to solicit teams. The design-build process is a cost saving method and has worked well for the city. Mike Landvik added that the committee has not generally allowed STP funds for design-build; however, this is the best way to proceed with this project. MoDOT would need to request approval from the federal highway to spend a small amount of federal STP funds on design-build. Marc Hansen stated that the committee had approved exceptions and the committee may consider this as another exception, not requiring approval from TTPC at this point; however adjustments would be needed in the TIP and approved by the TTPC and MARC Board.

Comments:
- The committee may need to create a policy.
- The project includes several funding types, including cost share funds and could view the $5M design-build portion as being paid by the city — if your funds are overmatched above the 80/20.
- MoDOT has begun a statewide team to edit the LPA manual regarding design-build projects.
- Ron Achelpohl shared that the committee programmed a few exceptions in the past and an approval of Grandview’s request is not necessarily setting a precedent. He shared two issues that were raised in the past regarding using STP funds for design work:
  - 1) projects that are exclusively design-build could have the potential to need to pay back funds if the project doesn’t proceed to implementation. We probably want to continue excluding these from receiving STP funds.
  - 2) interest in the sponsor demonstrating a local commitment to the project. There is an argument that in this case the design-build delivery method can reduce the overall cost of the project making it more cost effective. We could have a future conversation on this suggested requirement to demonstrate a local commitment.

**MOTION:** Sherri McIntyre moved and Dena Mezger seconded to approve the city of Grandview’s request as presented for the I-49 Frontage Road Conversion project. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **Regional Pedestrian Policy Plan**

Early in 2017, MARC began work on a regional pedestrian policy plan. The draft plan is currently available on MARC’s website and input would be welcomed. Aaron Bartlett shared information about the Plan which has been a project for the Active Transportation Programming Committee. There are several programs with plans that include pedestrian policy; however, MARC saw the need to put it all together in one document to create a regional vision. The document explains information at both the regional and local levels. In 2016 we developed a local government pedestrian inventory; asked them how they looked at pedestrian investments and then put together best practices and recommendations. The plan provides a set of recommendations specific to regional programs and a set of recommendations what local government agencies can do.

At the regional level we want to concentrate investments that would create more mobility, address barriers and look at increased resources.

At the local level we recommend having pedestrian master plans, include sidewalks in your CID and have a priority process. Also, planning and zoning is important to make sure that the land use and build environment supports walking.

During January and February, this information will be shared with several committees and in March we will present the plan to the Total Transportation Policy Committee.

The plan will be an important piece of the regional 2050 transportation plan. We will be looking a performance measures, how well we are investing in concentrated areas, making them more walkable with access to transit. Aaron asked sponsors to consider the recommendations in the pedestrian policy plan during the 2018 call for projects and added that this will not be part of the scoring process. The planning and programming committees
may want to consider the information in the plan during the prioritization discussion and programming. In response to a question by Andy Noll, Aaron shared that the committees will want to include scoring criteria for the 2020 call for projects.

6. **STP Reasonable Progress**
Marc Hansen provided the FFY 2018 STP programmed projects totaling $31,267,500, the same as last month, and noted that some projects are getting close to obligation. Sponsors shared the current status of their project and expected letting month. Most sponsors shared that their projects were on schedule. The following indicated they would, or may need to, request a one-time schedule change:
- Grandview plans to request a schedule change: I-49 Frontage Road 2-way Conversion Phase 1, $5M;
- Platte County’s Waukomis Complete Streets Upgrade/Reconstruction Phase 1, $5M, may need a 2 year delay;
- Raytown’s 350 Hwy & Raytown Road intersection, $637,500, may need to delay one year as they still need to acquire two right of ways.

Since STP FFY 2018 has an available balance of $16M, those project changes would help reduce the over programmed situation.

The two CMAQ traffic flow projects programmed for FFY 2018 in Independence and Kansas City are on schedule.

7. **Other Business**
Marc Hansen reviewed the dates for the upcoming call for 2021-2022 projects:
- January 19th - release of the call
- January 31st – Pre-application workshop
- March 23rd - Applications due

Andy Noll recommended a future discussion topic on autonomous vehicles. Marc Hansen responded that staff will provide a status of MARC’s work on policies regarding autonomous vehicles.

8. **Adjournment:**
With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** February 13, 2018