



## OGL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, October 24, 2022, 1:30 p.m.**

**Hybrid In-Person/Virtual Meeting: MARC – Lewis & Clark Room and online via Microsoft Teams**

Members Present	MARC Staff Present	Non-Members Present
Derek Olson, MoDOT, Vice Chair	Barry Viss	Alex Preston, TransCore
Noel Forrester, Olathe, Chair	Scott Cutshall	Kurt Rotering, Olsson
Michael W. Spickelmier, Lansing	Cedrick Owens	Blake Hansen, Olsson
Adam Hilgedick, Blue Springs	Ron Achelpohl	Christos Achillides, Iteris
Thomas Northup, KDOT	Ray Webb	Janelle Clayton, Merge Midwest
Ryan Hale, MODOT		
Shawn Gotfredson, Overland Park		
Sol Moinuddin, KCMO		
Jim MacDonald, Merriam		
Bill Stogsdill, Fairway		
Steve Schooley, Lenexa		
Dave Northup, KDOT		
Sarah Peters, KDOT		
David LaRoche, FHWA		
Brian Scovill, Leawood		
Mark Green, Independence		
Brian Shields, Overland Park		
Melissa Schmitz, MoDOT		

### Welcome

The meeting started at 1:30 p.m. Noel Forrester, Chair, welcomed all.

1. **July 25, 2022, committee minutes** – Steve Schooley made a motion to accept the minutes. The motion was supported and approved unanimously.
2. **OGL vice-chair election** – Chris Sandie is no longer with the City of Blue Springs and as such is no longer the OGL chairperson. Noel has vacated the vice-chair position to become chair, thus a new vice-chair is needed, from a Missouri agency. Steve Schooley nominated Derek Olson for vice-chair. There were no other nominations. The nomination was supported and approved unanimously.
3. **TransCore contract extension** – The sub-committee that has been focusing on the ATMS software effort has recommended staying with TransSuite rather than issuing an RFP for a new system. After viewing demos of several other system providers, the group felt the 2023/2024 CMAQ money OGL received for ATMS software would be better spent enhancing TransSuite. Transcore sent three of their staff to the KC region on October 11 and 12 for in-person meetings with the group to better understand our needs, specifically with regards to the web UI. MARC staff recommend extending TransCore’s contract by one year with an additional \$300,000 for continued support of the OGL program and enhancements to the TransSuite software to better meet our needs. Brian Scovill made a motion to extend the contract as recommended. The motion was supported and approved unanimously.
4. **MO and KS CMAQ project bids and update** – Ray Webb updated the committee on the status of the bids recently received for the OGL CMAQ enhancement projects in each state. The bids received for both projects were significantly over budget. Agencies involved will be contacted regarding their preferences on

how to deal with the discrepancy. The agencies involved could cover the difference with their own funds or the bids could be rejected and the projects re-bid with different scope and/or terms.

5. **Agency roundtable operations updates** – Lansing and Leavenworth are working on upgrading the intersection of K-7 & Eisenhower. Leawood and Prairie Village have been working on a project on Mission Rd that will continue causing delays in that part of the city for the rest of the year.
6. **Hot topic: displaced left intersection at Old 56 & Lone Elm in Olathe** – Noel gave a presentation on the operations of the new displaced left turn intersection in Olathe. Projected volumes for 2040 showed that this intersection was going to be a challenge to keep an acceptable level of service. They decided on a design that displaces the EB and WB left turns so that they can serve concurrently with the EB and WB through movements. The controller programming is complicated, and some drivers have trouble navigating the EB and WB lefts, but it has resulted in reduced vehicle delays.
7. **2023 work plan** – Barry highlighted a few items from the work plan that was included in the meeting packet. If there are comments or additions to the list of corridors for signal timing, please communicate those to OGL staff.
8. **Quarterly operations report** – The operations report was included in the meeting packet. Barry highlighted a few items for the committee to be aware of, including several roadwork events, crashes, and other events that we responded to. Steve thanked the OGL staff for their assistance with operations in Lenexa.
9. **Quarterly budget report** – The quarterly budget report was included in the meeting packet. The ending balance at the end of the quarter was \$272,096. Agreements with KDOT and MoDOT are in place however obligation has yet to be received. It is unlikely we will be able to start 2023 operating funds till December 1 and will continue with local funds only. At this point there are some budget concerns without the planned October 1 federal funds start.

2023 and 2024 budget is shown in the packet for information and were approved last year.

**Other Business** – There was a brief discussion on SMART grants. This federal grant program is intended to support innovative solutions to transportation problems and does not require a local match. Several committee members expressed support for OGL applying for funds through this program to purchase arterial performance measure systems.

Next meeting date: January 23, 2023.

**Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.