MEETING NOTICE

SUSTAINABLE PLACES POLICY COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, November 13, 2026 | 9 AM – 10:30 AM
MARC Offices - 801 Pennsylvania Ave, Kansas City, MO
Meeting also available via Zoom: Zoom Link Here

Co-Chairs
Mayor Dean Katerndahl, Parkville, Mo.
Council Member Logan Heley, City of Overland Park, Kan.

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of September 2026 Meeting Summary*
3. Planning Sustainable Places (PSP) 2027 Programming Debrief | Beth Dawson, MARC
4. E-Mobility Model Policy | Patrick Trouba, MARC
5. 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) & Committee Workplan | Martin Rivarola, MARC
6. Guiding Document Review | Cy Splichal, MARC
7. Other Items
    - Regular meeting scheduled for January 8th, 2026

*Vote

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SUSTAINABLE PLACES POLICY COMMITTEE
September 11, 2026 Meeting Summary

Committee Members

Dean Katerndahl, MO Co-Chair | City of Parkville, MO
Brian Alferman | Johnson County, KS
Kristy Baughman | United Community Services of Johnson County
Maddie Bouton | City of Basehor, KS
Cathy Justice | Bridging the Gap
Jordan Lea | City of Raymore, MO
Kim Nakahodo | City of North Kansas City, MO
Erin Ollig | City of Overland Park, KS
Michael Park | City of Lee's Summit, MO
Joyce Raybuck | BNIM
Melissa Schmitz | Missouri Department of Transportation
Allison Smith | Kansas Department of Transportation
Regan Tokos | City of Kansas City, MO
Selena Zapata-Bur (Alternate for Gerald Williams) | City of Kansas City, MO

Guests

Karie Kneller, Shockey Consulting
Brian Jackson, Wilson & Company
Beth Peterson, MoDOT
Deanne Wikelmann, GFT
Jazmin Bustos, Toole Design Group
Kendra Miller, GBA
Kim Portillo, City of Leavenworth, KS
Christian Downey, Shockey Consulting
Nick Ward-Bopp, City of Roeland Park, KS
Triveece Penelton, Vireo
Imogen Thomas, The Borman Group
Mark Borman, The Borman Group
Athen Huynh, City of Grandview, MO
Synthia Isah, Port KC
Jennifer Jones-Lacy, City of Roeland Park, KS
Cara Elbert, GBA
Josh Barragree, GBA
Kayla Ruzicka, Shive-Hattery
Andrew Robertson, City of Olathe, KS
David Smalling, JEO
Alysen Abel, City of Spring Hill, KS
Chad Bunger, Freese & Nichols
Shannon McGuire, City of Lee's Summit, MO
Jessica Vandivort de Mantiel, City of Lee's Summit
Davonna Moore-Edeh, CDM Smith

MARC Staff

Beth Dawson, Cy Splichal, Hannah Mitchell, Martin Rivarola, Megan Broll, Ron Achelpohl, Josh Rubio, Jessica Bishop

Welcome and Introductions

Missouri Co-Chair Dean Katerndahl called the meeting to order. Introductions in person and on Zoom followed.

Approval of August 2026 Meeting Summary

Missouri Co-Chair Dean Katerndahl called for any additions or corrections to the meeting summary draft; no comments were made. Maddie Bouton made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections, and Erin Ollig seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Planning Sustainable Places (PSP) 2027 Programming

Beth Dawson, MARC, reviewed the PSP project applications and the funding scenarios discussed at the committee's previous meeting. She reminded members that application scores are intended as a starting point for discussion rather than the sole determinant of funding recommendations. The committee also considered factors such as geographic distribution of funds, support for first-time applicants, and advancing projects across a variety of communities throughout the region.

Missouri Allocation Discussion

The committee reviewed the preliminary funding scenario developed during the August meeting. The proposal fully funded the highest-scoring applications from Johnson County and Kansas City, Missouri, while providing partial funding for projects sponsored by KCATA, Port KC, Raytown, and Lee's Summit.

An alternate funding scenario was presented that would increase funding percentages for several projects, including Port KC, Raytown, and Lee's Summit, while reducing funding for the Kansas City, Missouri Reconnecting Kansas City Community Investment Plan. Committee members discussed the relationship between project scores, applicant priorities, study scope impacts, and overall funding fairness. Representatives from Kansas City, Missouri and Port KC provided input regarding how reduced funding levels could affect project deliverables and study scope.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Michael Park and seconded by Regan Tokos to advance the funding recommendation developed at the August meeting.

The recommended Missouri funding allocation included:

Project Number	Primary Applicant	Project Title	Project Category	Project Score	Priority	Comments	Federal Amount Requested	Local	Recommended %	Recommended Funding	Revised Total
50	KCATA	31st Street Tansit Accessibility Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	84	1	12	$ 80,000	$ 20,000	90%	$ 72,000	$ 92,000
31	City of Kansas City, MO	Kansas City Missouri Citywide Public Transit Services Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	83	5	7	$ 150,000	$ 250,000		$ -	$ -
20	KCATA	Cass County Mobility Study	Sustainable Places Plan	80	2	24	$ 80,000	$ 20,000		$ -	$ -
15	*PortKC*	*West Bottoms Transit Oriented Development Plan*	*Sustainable Places Plan*	*80*		19	$ 75,000	$ 18,750	72%	$ 54,500	$ 73,250
18	City of Kansas City, MO	Kessler to Blue Valley Park Trail Alignment Study	Sustainable Places Plan	77	3	3	$ 100,000	$ 25,000		$ -	$ -
45	City of Raytown, MO	Downtown Raytown Streetscape, Mobility and Public Space Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	75	1	27	$ 112,500	$ 37,500	72%	$ 81,000	$ 118,500
39	City of Lee's Summit, MO	Summit Activity Center	Sustainable Places Plan	74		8	$ 80,000	$ 20,000	75%	$ 60,000	$ 80,000
7	City of Kansas City, MO	Vivion Road Corridor Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	73	2	11	$ 150,000	$ 350,000		$ -	$ -
52	City of Raytown, MO	Raytown North Gateway	Sustainable Places Plan	72	2	9	$ 102,750	$ 34,250		$ -	$ -
17	City of Kansas City, MO	Comercial Motor Vehicles	Sustainable Places Plan	72	4	8	$ 150,000	$ 250,000		$ -	$ -
56	City of North Kansas City, MO	Missouri River Mutlimodal Corridor Study	Sustainable Places Plan	71		12	$ 150,000	$ 37,500		$ -	$ -
57	City of Blue Springs, MO	Blue Springs Wayfinding	Sustainable Places Plan	62		2	$ 120,000	$ 30,000		$ -	$ -
23	City of Grandview, MO	Highgrove Road Corridor Study	Sustainable Places Plan	57		1	$ 110,000	$ 30,000		$ -	$ -
14	City of Parkville, MO	Highway 45 Corridor Plan Update	Sustainable Places Plan	53		2	$ 150,000	$ 50,000		$ -	$ -
62	City of Weston, MO	Weston Highway 45 Corridor Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	39		21	$ 32,000	$ 8,000		$ -	$ -
38	*Johnson County, KS*	*75th Street Fast & Frequent*	*Project Development*	*91*		4	$ 45,000	$ 11,250	100%	$ 45,000	$ 56,250
26	City of Kansas City, MO	Reconnecting Kansas City Community Investment Plan	Project Development	80	1	11	$ 150,000	$ 37,500	100%	$150,000	$ 187,500
60	City of Greenwood, MO	Rock Island Trail Phase 3 and 4 (Greenwood Gap)	Project Development	62		9	$ 100,000	$ 25,000		$ -	$ -

Underlined and italic denote bi-state applications.

Total	1,937,250	462,500	607,500
Available	462,500	462,500	
Difference	(1,474,750)	0	
Funded Projects		6	

The motion passed with **8 votes in favor, 3 opposed, and 2 abstentions** and will be forwarded to the Total Transportation Policy Committee (TTPC) for consideration.

Kansas Allocation Discussion

The committee then reviewed the Kansas funding recommendations. The initial scenario proposed full funding for projects sponsored by Leavenworth and Johnson County, with approximately 92% funding for projects sponsored by Overland Park, Roeland Park, Basehor, Port KC, and Olathe.

Discussion focused on whether funding should be spread across more communities, including providing funding to Spring Hill, a first-time applicant that had not received PSP funding previously. Committee members weighed the merits of funding a larger number of projects against maintaining funding levels for higher-scoring applications. Applicants discussed project minimum funding thresholds, scope implications, and the role of application scoring in the committee's decision-making process.

A motion was made by Erin Ollig and seconded by Regan Tokos to recommend the original funding scenario, with a minor adjustment to balance available funds.

The recommended Kansas funding allocation included:

Project Number	Primary Applicant	Project Title	Project Category	Project Score	Priority	Comments	Federal Amount Requested	Local	Recommended %	Recommended Funding	Revised Total
8	City of Leavenworth, KS	Leavenworth Development Regulations Update	Sustainable Places Plan	92		18	$ 150,000	$100,000	100%	$150,000	$ 250,000
19	City of Overland Park, KS	87th Street Corridor Study	Sustainable Places Plan	89		15	$ 100,000	$ 25,000	92%	$ 92,000	$ 117,000
25	City of Roeland Park, KS	Roeland Park Bike-Ped Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	85		7	$ 52,500	$ 17,500	92%	$ 48,300	$ 65,800
9	City of Basehor, KS	State Avenue Multimodal Corridor & Growth Strategy	Sustainable Places Plan	81		37	$ 150,000	$ 37,500	92%	$138,000	$ 175,500
15	*PortKC*	*West Bottoms Transit Oriented Development Plan*	*Sustainable Places Plan*	*80*		19	$ 75,000	$ 18,750	92%	$ 69,000	$ 87,750
11	City of Olathe, KS	Mill Creek Watershed Connectivity Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	77		5	$ 150,000	$ 37,500	92%	$137,700	$ 175,200
55	City of Spring Hill, KS	Multimodal Corridor & Growth Strrategy	Sustainable Places Plan	74		41	$ 150,000	$ 50,000		$ -	$ -
40	KCATA	Leavenworth County Mobility Plan	Sustainable Places Plan	72	3	1	$ 80,000	$ 20,000		$ -	$ -
29	City of Shawnee, KS	Midland Entertainment District	Sustainable Places Plan	68		8	$ 82,500	$ 27,500		$ -	$ -
58	City of Merriam, KS	"Transpor-Mation" Study for 67th & I-35 Area	Sustainable Places Plan	64		36	$ 125,000	$125,000		$ -	$ -
38	*Johnson County*	*75th Street Fast & Frequent*	*Project Development*	*91*		4	$ 105,000	$ 26,250	100%	$105,000	$ 131,250
47	City of De Soto, KS	Lexington/Penner Project Development	Project Development	57		31	$ 80,000	$ 20,000		$ -	$ -

Underlined and italic denote bi-state applications.

Total	1,300,000	505,000	740,000	1,002,500
Available	740,000		740,000	
Difference	(560,000)		0	
Funded Projects			7	

The motion passed with unanimous support from voting members and two abstentions. The recommendation will advance to TTPC.

Next Steps

Staff indicated that funding recommendations will be presented to the Total Transportation Policy Committee the following week and then forwarded to the MARC Board for final action. Applicants will be notified of the committee's recommendations, and a PSP programming debrief is planned for a future committee meeting to discuss the process and potential improvements for future funding cycles.

Housing and Transportation Coordination Plan

Hannah Mitchell, MARC, and consultants from ICF provided an update on the regional Housing and Transportation Coordination Plan, which is approximately halfway complete. The team reviewed work completed to date, including existing conditions analysis, stakeholder engagement, policy reviews, and geospatial analysis examining housing affordability, transportation access, and community livability across the region. Findings indicated that many local comprehensive plans and zoning codes generally support housing diversity and infill development, but opportunities remain to strengthen affordable housing incentives, transit-oriented development policies, and transportation demand management strategies. The analysis also identified areas of both need and opportunity throughout the region where coordinated housing and transportation investments could improve affordability, access, and quality of life outcomes.

Committee members discussed how the plan's recommendations can address the diverse needs of urban, suburban, and rural communities. Conversation focused on transportation options beyond traditional fixed-route transit, including ridesharing, micro-mobility, bicycle and pedestrian

connections, and other strategies to improve access to jobs, healthcare, and daily services. Consultants emphasized that the final plan will provide a flexible menu of strategies tailored to different community contexts and encouraged continued participation in upcoming outreach and engagement activities as the study advances toward development of implementation recommendations.

Other Items – Quick Updates

The next meeting will be on November 13th, 2026.

No further business was called. The meeting was adjourned.