

ST. JOSEPH AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Organization

JOINT TECHNICAL & COORDINATING COMMITTEE
Conference Room- Remington Nature Center- St. Joseph
12:00 to 1:00 – July 21, 2022

Technical voting members present:

Jake Fisher	City of St. Joseph , Vice Chairperson
Chance Gallagher	SJATSO/MPO Staff
Scott Gatewood	City of St. Joseph
Adam Wood	MoDOT-NW
Tyler Swink	City of Savannah
Phillip Leimbach	City of St. Joseph
Jeff Atkins	City of St. Joseph
Abe Forney	City of St. Joseph
Kim Eaton	City of St. Joseph

Technical voting members not present:

Mike Henderson	MoDOT-NW
Marcus Larson	GIS Coordinator
Jim Galthberth	Andrew County
Pam King	City of Elwood
Tammy Bemebrick	City of Wathena
Allison Smith	KDOT
Keven Schneider	City of St. Joseph
Jackson Jones	City of St. Joseph

Coordinating voting members present:

Bob Dempster	Citizen-At-Large Representative
Madison Davis	St. Joseph City Council Member
Marty Novak	St. Joseph City Council Member
John Josendale	St. Joseph City Mayor
Bryan Carter	St. Joseph City Manager
Bruce Lundy	City of Savannah Administrator

Coordinating voting members not present:

Colonel John Cluck	Doniphan County Commissioner
Ron Hook	Buchanan County Commissioner
Ashley Albers	Village of Country Club Representative

Staff members present:

Ashley Carrithers	City of St. Joseph
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OPENING REPORTS

- A. **Roll Call.** A quorum was present for Technical Committee. Jake Fisher called the Technical meeting to order.
- B. **Approve minutes of May 19, 2022 meeting.** Abe Forney motioned to approve minutes and Phil Leimbach seconded. With general consent the prior meeting minutes were **unanimously approved.**
- C. **Roll Call.** A quorum was present for Coordinating Committee. Bob Dempster call the Coordinating meeting to order.
- D. **Approve minutes of June 16, 2022 meeting.** John Josendale motioned to approve minutes from the June 16, 2022 meeting and Madison Davis seconded. With general consent the prior meeting minutes were **unanimously approved.**

NEW BUSINESS

A. MoDOT Presentation- I-229 and Discussion.

Marty Liles with MoDOT and Steve Wells with Hg Consult, presented both the Technical and Coordinating Committee with a study update regarding the I-229 double-decker bridge. I was explained the existing bridge is nearing its end of life and is rated in poor condition. In the beginning of the study, there were 20 alternate improvement options available that were screened based on certain criteria, it has since been dropped to 6 alternate options. Those options include the No-Build (required), Rehabilitate Existing (has been eliminated), Main Street Corridor, 2nd Street Corridor (not supported), Railroad Tracks East Corridor, and the newest option is the Existing Corridor. The new alternate that follows the same corridor as the bridge is supported by both MoDOT and City staff but does come with some concerns. Some issues include no downtown direct access like before, construction impacts, possible end to Riverfront development, problems with City improvements, MO River floodplain and 4th Street railroad crossing. Other considerations include two versus four lanes, Interstate designation and loss of Federal Funds. The next step will be another public meeting to hear the thoughts and concerns of the community.

MISCELLANEOUS

Other Items: Opportunity for Public Comment.

Several citizens of the community attended the meeting and voiced their opinions about the demolition of the bridge and had some concerns about the speed limit changes when a new road is built.

Next Meeting: Coordinating Committee- Thursday, August 18th
Technical Committee- Thursday, September 22nd

OTHER/ ADJOURNMENT

With no other comments and items on the agenda, Scott Gatewood motioned to adjourn and Marty Novak seconded the motion. With general consent the meeting was adjourned.

