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## Agenda Coordinating Committee Meeting

**DATE:** Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**TIME:** 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**I. LOCATION:** St. Joseph City Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> floor conference room

### II. OPENING REPORTS

- A. Roll Call of Voting Members
- B. Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting April 17th, 2025

### III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. MPO update  
Action Needed: None
- B. UPWP Amendment  
Action Needed: Vote
- C. TIP Amendment #2  
Action Needed: Vote

### IV. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. Opportunity for Public Comment

**V. Next Meeting:** December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 12:00 – 1:00 –TBD

### OTHER/ADJORNMENT

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# ST. JOSEPH AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

## COORDINATING COMMITTEE

1st Floor Conference room – City Hall – St. Joseph

12:00 to 1:00 – April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### **Voting members present:**

Royal Turner	Committee Chair
John Josendale	St. Joseph City Mayor
Mike Schumacher	St. Joseph City Manager
Ron Hook	Buchanan County Commissioner
John Hontz	Wathena City Mayor

### **Voting members not present:**

Marty Novak	St. Joseph City Council Member
Madison Davis	St. Joseph City Council Member
Ashley Albers	Village of Country Club Representative

### **Staff members present:**

Max Schieber	City of St. Joseph
Jackson Lohman	City of St. Joseph
Keven Schneider	City of St. Joseph
Ashley Parker	City of St. Joseph
Chance Gallagher	City of St. Joseph

### **Others present:**

Adam Wood	MoDOT
Tom Brand	Community Alliance

## **OPENING REPORTS**

A. Roll Call. A quorum was present. Royal Turner called the meeting to order.

B. Approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Ron Hook motioned to approve the minutes from the December 12th, 2024 meeting, and Mike Schumacher seconded. By general consent, the prior meeting minutes were **unanimously approved.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A. MPO update: The next upcoming event is Bike to Work Day, taking place on May 16, 2025. This marks the 15th year of the event, which continues to see a steady increase in participation. In other news, the MPO has purchased and installed five new bike racks in downtown St. Joseph. However, one installation is pending approval from a property owner regarding the exact location. Additionally, there will be an emergency amendment to the TIP to allow for the purchase of three new Gillig buses to help replenish the fleet. Lastly, MPO staff provided a brief update on the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) project. No action needed.

B. 2025 Public Participation Plan (PPP): The Public Participation Plan (PPP) outlines the public involvement process for all work conducted by the MPO. It engages the public in reviewing and providing input on key MPO documents and processes, including the Metropolitan Transportation

Plan (MTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and the PPP itself. The plan details various strategies and techniques for outreach, including designated public comment periods. To gather input, the MPO will host open houses, conduct surveys, and maintain a social media presence to encourage public feedback. Once the PPP is approved by the Coordinating Committee, it will be submitted to MoDOT and KDOT for final approval. John Josendale motioned to approve the PPP and Ron Hook seconded the motion. By general consent, the 2025 PPP was **unanimously approved**.

- C. 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is prepared annually and outlines the MPO's planned activities for the upcoming fiscal year. It provides detailed information on the level of effort required for various projects, as well as associated staff time and costs—including funding for MPO staff salaries. The proposed funding for the fiscal year includes \$245,396.00 in CPG funds, and \$57,815.00 in local funds, Safe Streets and Road Grant for \$152,000.00, local match for \$35,600.00, and KDOT match for \$2,400 for a total amount of \$493,211.00. Ron Hook motioned to approve the UPWP, and Mike Schumacher seconded the motion. By general consent, the UPWP was **unanimously approved**.
  
- D. 2026-2029 TIP First Look: The Committee was given an initial preview of the 2026–2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP outlines planned projects including aviation, bicycle & pedestrian, bridge repairs, highway and street rehabilitation, public transit improvements, safety and hazard elimination measures, and project scoping activities. Some of the highlighted projects include the Air Traffic Control Tower at Rosecrans, the Cook Road Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project, the Gene Field Road Bridge Rehabilitation, and resurfacing projects on US 36 Highway in Kansas and I-229 in 2027. It was also noted that the I-229 bridge replacement was not included in the current TIP, and staff will follow up to provide further clarification. No action needed.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Other Items:** None.

**Next Meeting:** June 19th, 2025, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm- Fourth Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

## **OTHER/ ADJOURNMENT**

With no other comments and items on the agenda, John Josendale motioned to adjourn and Ron Hook seconded the motion. With general consent, the meeting was adjourned.