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Agenda Technical Committee Meeting

DATE: Thursday, September 25th, 2025

TIME: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

I. LOCATION: St. Joseph City Hall, 1st floor conference room

II. OPENING REPORTS

- A. Roll Call of Voting Members
- B. Approval of Minutes from Prior Meeting: March 20, 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

- D. Opportunity for Public Comment
- V. Next Meeting: November 20th, 2025, 10:30- 11:30 –TBD

OTHER/ADJORNMENT

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ST. JOSEPH AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Technical Committee
City Hall, St. Joseph, MO
March 20, 2025

Voting Members Present:

Julius Rice	City of St. Joseph, Chairperson
Phil Leimbach	City of St. Joseph, Vice-Chairperson
Max Schieber	SJATSO/MPO Staff
Jackson Lohman	SJATSO/ MPO Staff
Chance Gallagher	City of St. Joseph
Keven Schneider	City of St. Joseph
Abe Forney	City of St. Joseph
Nathaniel McHaffie	City of St. Joseph
Adam Wood	MoDOT-NW
Madison Woodward	MoDOT-NW

OPENING REPORTS

- A. Roll Call of Voting Members: A quorum was present. Chairperson Julius Rice called the meeting to order at 10:32 am.
- B. Approval of Minutes from November 21, 2024 meeting: Abe Forney motioned to approve the November 21st meeting minutes and Chance Gallagher seconded the motion. By general consent, the meeting minutes were **unanimously approved**.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. MPO Update: The MPO staff has been actively working with surrounding jurisdictions to increase participation in Committee meetings. Doniphan County will be appointing a representative soon, and the Mayor of Wathena plans to attend the next meeting. Additionally, the MPO is hosting a Traffic Garden event on April 9th for second graders at Hosea School, where they will engage in a traffic obstacle course to learn crosswalk safety and other important traffic skills. The MPO has purchased bicycle racks, which are currently stored at City Hall while awaiting final approval for placement; the only remaining step is for one more property owner to provide approval. The MPO also has occupant protection funding available, which can be used to provide car seats and other safety resources. Furthermore, the MPO has awarded the Safe Streets for All project to Burns & McDonnell and has established a Safe Streets for All Committee to oversee the 6-9 months implementation process. **Informational.**
- B. 2025 Public Participation Plan: The PPP is a public participation process for all the work done by the MPO. It is a strategy designed to guide how a government agency,

organization, or entity engages with the public during decision-making processes. The purpose of the public participation process, such as increasing transparency, gathering diverse input, or ensuring the final decision reflects community needs. The duration and key milestones of the participation process are to ensure the public has ample opportunity to provide input throughout the planning or decision-making phases. Chance Gallagher motioned to approve the 2025 PPP and Adam Wood seconded the motion. By general consent, the 2025 Public Participation Plan was **unanimously approved**.

C. 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP): The UPWP approved back in November was to cover just 6 months to align the MPO with the State Fiscal Year. The updated UPWP will now match the correct FY, starting July 1st, 2025 to June 31st, 2026. The funds will include \$242,569.00 in CPG funds, and \$60,642.00 in local funds, Safe Streets and Road Grant for \$152,000.00, local match for \$35,600.00, KDOT match for \$2,400 for a total amount of \$493,211.00. The UPWP is prepared annually and describes the proposed activities during the fiscal year. The last few pages of the document goes into detail regarding the level of effort made by the MPO staff on projects and staff costs. This year the MPO staff has been working more on public transit tasks and current planning actions. Nathaniel McHaffie motioned to approve the 2025 UPWP and Abe Forney seconded the motion. By general consent, the UPWP was **unanimously approved**.

D. Emergency TIP Amendment #3: The only addition made to the TIP is the upgrade of a dynamic message sign .7 miles south of Rte. O on northbound I-29. Phil Leimbach motioned to approve the emergency TIP amendment and Abe Forney seconded the motion. By general consent, the TIP Amendment #3 was **unanimously approved**.

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Opportunity for public comments and questions. None.

Next Meeting: May 15, 2025, 10:30-12:00- Location TBD

ADJOURN: Abe Forney motioned to adjourn the meeting and Adam Wood seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned