

TRANSPORTATION 2030 COMMITTEE (T2030)
MINUTES

Monday, November 6, 2006

ATTENDEES:

Lisa Harris (MPO)	Kelsy Marr (Planning)
John Haase (MPO)	Bill Ahrens (Planning)
David Burress (MPO)	Keith Browning (DG Co. PW)
Boog Highberger (City Commission)	Chuck Soules (Lawrence PW)
Byron Low (FHWA)	Mark Huffhines (FHWA)
Joel Skelley (KDOT)	Cliff Galante (Lawrence Transit)
Dan Warner (Planning)	Bob Johnson (DG Co. Commission)

- **Future Land Use Map**

Dan Warner stated that no changes have been made to the maps since the committee's last review and asked if there were any questions, comments, or additional discussion. The committee had no comments. John Haase drafted assumptions and parameters for land use, based on the APA book "Planners Estimating Guide". Haase stated that in his opinion, the need for an eastern connection is evident and that other projects need to be assumed since they will drive land use assumptions. Warner commented that it's hard to translate some of the items shown into land use mapping; he doesn't see a direct relevance to the maps. Skelley agreed and stated that some of the items listed will be tested and decided on through the modeling and plan development process.

Haase stated that location of roads will determine how land develops, therefore we need to assume certain roads' existence. Skelley stated that we'll be deciding later what roads will be approved and that it would be inappropriate to predetermine roads prior to analysis and evaluation. Low stated that we should be making basic land use assumptions based on zoning, make assumptions for new areas, then test alternatives. Highberger agreed that a road & street structure would help determine land use and that the traditional method of mapping land use, then deciding on roads seems incorrect. Burress agreed that infrastructure should come first, then land use. Harris mentioned that it should be a mix; existing streets determine land use, which leads to needs for additional streets.

Haase used Peterson Rd. as an example and stated that decisions for/against extension of Peterson Rd. will determine what type of land use the area will have. The Johnson Co. CARS program was used to designate roads, then a land use plan was prepared based on road designations. Johnson stated that it would be nice to do that, but we can't afford to construct all roads to desired standards in advance of possible development. Harris asked how the figures and formulas in the spreadsheet developed. Haase stated that they were his judgment.

Johnson said that we shouldn't be getting into details and trying to change the maps and model significantly. We need to get going, give staff a map and general guidance, then start examining transportation projects.

Harris asked what assumptions staff used to develop the maps. Warner replied that we used the T-2025 future land use map as a base, included data from the 6th/SLT Nodal Plan, and added the H2020 commercial centers. Very low density was shown in steep slope areas, staff used the SE

Area Plan industrial scenario, and showed no development in floodplains. Staff initially mapped full build-out, then pulled development back to a possible 2030 scenario.

Highberger asked of Haase's listed projects if they were to be considered land use assumptions or projects to be tested later. Skelley said they should be tested later. Harris asked if we can later land use and re-run the models. Yes, however changes in land use will require adjusting TAZ projects before the model could be re-run. Models are useful tools for "what if'ing", but they require time and adjustments to do so Johnson asked what about the land use maps do we not like, if anything? Do we need both or can we proceed with one? Highberger suggested that we select one option and staff will discuss with the consultants to see if there is a significant difference in trip generation for TND vs. traditional development. The committee agreed to proceed with the TND version and that staff will consult with LSA on trip generation and intrazonal trips and report back to the committee.

Next Meeting: November 29 or 30. 11:30 AM. Staff will poll committee members to determine the preferred date.