

## **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

*Tuesday, October 7, 2008 -- 1:30 PM*

*Planning Conference Room*

### **REQUESTED ATTENDEES:**

- Brad Finkeldei (MPO Member)
- Greg Moore (MPO Member)\*
- Byron Low (FHWA Kansas Division)
- Mark Huffhines (FHWA Kansas Division)
- Daniel Nguyen (FTA Region 7)
- Christy Lane (KDOT Planning and Development) \*
- Keith Browning (Douglas County Public Works Director)\*
- Cynthia Boecker (Lawrence Assistant City Manager) \*
- Casey Toomay (Interim - Lawrence Public Transit Administrator)\*
- Todd Girdler (Lawrence-Douglas County MPO Senior Transportation Planner)\*
- Bart Rudolph (Lawrence-Douglas County MPO Transportation Planner)
- Shoeb Uddin (Lawrence City Engineer)
- Chuck Soules (Lawrence Public Works Director) \*
- Scott McCullough, (Lawrence-Douglas County Planning Director)\*

Voting Member \*

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### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Action Item: Approval of Minutes from the September 9, 2008 meeting**
- 3. Discussion Item: Designation of a new MPO for the Lawrence-Douglas County Region**
- 4. Discussion Item: US Highway 56 Corridor Study – discussion of the approval process for the partnership agreement and the L-DC MPO contribution to this study**
- 5. Discussion Item: Draft 2008 Bicycle Facilities Map – follow up and expansion of changes discussed recently by the TAC and the Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)**
- 6. Discussion Item: Draft 2009 Unified Planning Work Program – discussion of funding estimates and first draft of the 2009 work program**
- 7. Quick Updates:**
  - a. Public Participation Plan (PPP) development**
  - b. 31<sup>st</sup> Street Extension Project**

- c. **On-Call Traffic Demand Modeling Contract**
- d. **5-County KDOT Transportation Plan**
- e. **Transit Routes Planning Study**
- f. **Transit Meetings with KU**

**8. Other Business**

**9. Next Meeting: November 11, 2008 (moved from November 4<sup>th</sup> for elections)**

**AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION**

**3. Acton Item: Approval of Minutes from the September 9, 2008 meeting (see attached draft)**

**4. Discussion Item: Designation of a new MPO for the Lawrence-Douglas County Region**

This item has been discussed previously by the TAC and MPO. The TAC recently reviewed and approved this draft MPO designation agreement, sent it out to KDOT for their legal staff to review, and posted it for public comments. The 30-day public comment period for this agreement ends on October 11<sup>th</sup> and the MPO staff will discuss how it will be routed for signatures after that date.

**5. Discussion Item: US Highway 56 Corridor Study – discussion of the recent partnership agreement approval and the proposed L-DC MPO contribution to this study**

The MPO and KDOT staffs will discuss the latest developments with this study including the approval of a partnership for this study and plans to include funding for this study in the 2009 UPWP. The KDOT staff will also update the TAC on the progress towards executing a contract with the consultant team.

**6. Discussion Item: Draft 2008 Bicycle Facilities Map – follow up and expansion of changes discussed recently by the TAC and the Bicycle Advisory Committee**

The MPO Staff has met with the TAC, Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC), and various City and County staff to develop a set of changes to the Bicycle Facilities Map. This set of proposed changes includes recently completed bike lanes and paths and changes to bike routes. The staff will discuss ongoing efforts to verify the status of all bikeways shown on the map, make revisions needed and send the map to the MPO for approval as the new Bikeway System Map.

**7. Discussion Item: Draft 2009 Unified Planning Work Program – discussion of funding estimates and first draft of the 2009 work program**

The MPO staff will review what has been done in 2008 and ask the TAC for their final comments on this draft document before it is sent back to them for approval in November and then onto the MPO for approval before the end of the year.