

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)  
MINUTES**

*Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chuck Soules (Lawrence PW)  
Bill Ahrens (Planning)  
Joel Skelley (KDOT)

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**OTHERS PRESENT:** Terry Heidner (KDOT)

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 PM. A quorum was not present.

**2. Action Item: Election of Officers**

Deferred, no quorum present.

**3. Action Item: Approval of Minutes – May 2, 2006**

Deferred, no quorum present.

**4. Discussion Item: KDOT Comprehensive Transportation Program**

Terry Heidner, KDOT Director of Planning & Development discussed KDOT plans and intentions for completion of the Comprehensive Transportation Program (CTP) KDOT has held three rounds of public meetings aimed at developing a process for considering projects and prioritizing needs. During that process KDOT has tested the process using conceptual projects. There will be a further round of public meetings that will be "real" with KDOT bringing forward priority lists of projects for public discussion. KDOT is also meeting with MPOs, local governments, and other groups to talk about plans and expectations after the completion of the CTP in 2009. KDOT will continue to have a program after 2009, but it will be a much smaller construction program aimed primarily at system maintenance. Without additional state revenues, KDOT may not be able to match all federal aid. KDOT is currently developing a pool of projects to potentially use post-2009.

KDOT is beginning work on an update of the statewide long-range transportation plan, partly SAFTEA-LU compliant and also to help lay groundwork for some sort of new CTP. KDOT will also be looking at agency organization and program delivery. The intent is to examine KDOT's structure to determine if changes are needed to be more efficient. KDOT programs will also be studied to see if there are improvements and efficiencies that can be found in working with KDOT's customers. KDOT has hired the consulting team of HDR and Cambridge Systematics to work with them in this analysis. KDOT will start meeting with MPOs and local governments in Fed. 2007 to solicit projects and review priority listings in order to have projects in development for the future.

**5. Action Item: Amendments to 2006-2009 TIP**

Staff received requests from the City of Eudora and City of Lawrence to amend the TIP to add changes several projects and to cancel one project. Projects amended were:

- Add project – Eudora, streetscape improvements, Main St., 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, funding – federal TE + local

- Add project – Lawrence, brick street rehab, Ohio, 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, funding – federal TE + local
- Cancel project – Lawrence, 31<sup>st</sup> St., Ousdahl to Louisiana, federal STP + local
- Add project – Lawrence, construct 19<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana, funding – federal STP + local

Soules indicated that the City would be requesting that 31<sup>st</sup>, Ousdahl to Louisiana be cancelled and another project substituted due to lower federal fund balances. TAC decided to pull that project from the amendment and will probably consider it in Aug. as an amendment contingent on Lawrence city Commission action. KDOT suggested that a notation be added to the 31<sup>st</sup>, Haskell to O'Connell project to indicate \$800,000 in Congressional earmark funding as part of that project.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Sept, 5<sup>th</sup>