

#### TAC AGENDA

September 12, 2019, 2:00PM Holliday Building, 620 SE Madison 1st floor, Holliday Conference Room

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- Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes for August 8, 2019
- Public Comment

#### **Action Items**

None

#### **Presentations**

None

#### **Discussion/Non-Action Items**

- 2020 UPWP Draft (Attached) Taylor
- TA Grants 2021 (KDOT)

#### **Quick Updates**

- Bikeways Master Plan Update
- Local Consult (KDOT)

#### **Other Items/New Business**

• Suggesting to move October TAC meeting to the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday (October 3<sup>rd</sup>) to accommodate APA State conference and UPWP Public Participation time allocation.

#### **Adjournment**



### CITY OF TOPEKA

### METROPOLITAN TOPEKA PLANNING ORGANIZATION



### **Technical Advisory Committee**

#### MINUTES

Thursday, August 8, 2019

Voting Members present: Curt Niehaus, SNCO Public Works; Kristi Wilson, KDOT; Edwin Rothrock,

TMTA; Carlton Scroggins, COT/MTPO; Bill Fiander, COT Planning; Jason

Peek, COT Public Works, Randy Anderson, SNCO Planning (7)

Voting Members Absent: (0)

City of Topeka Staff

Present:

Taylor Ricketts & Kris Wagers, Topeka Planning & Development

#### **Opening Business**

Chairman Curt Niehaus introduced Randy Anderson as the new Planning Director for Shawnee County and newest member of the MTPO TAC.

#### **Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Niehaus with 7 members present for a quorum.

#### Approval of minutes for June 13, 2019

**Motion** by Mr. Fiander to approve; **second** by Ms. Wilson. **APPROVED** (7-0-0)

#### **Public Comment – none**

#### Presentation

Mike Spadafore, Mobility Manager for the Topeka/Shawnee County region, gave a presentation about KDOT's Mobility Management Program and his position. Handout and presentation materials are available in the digital agenda packet information on file at the Topeka Planning & Development Department. Mr. Spadafore's host agency is TMTA so he is housed in their offices.

#### **Action Item**

#### 2019 UPWP Amendment #4

Mr. Scroggins explained that while the item was initially put on the agenda as a discussion item, it became necessary to make it an action item and ask for a motion to allow the amendment to go out for public comment. The change comes from an increase in the budget in direct non-staff charges.

Mr. Scroggins explained that the budget is set at the beginning of the year but sometimes needs to be adjusted mid-year to accommodate changes in the number of hours staff allocate to specific projects, as well as changes to project and other funding. During discussion, it was explained that the total amount of money does not change, but how much is allocated to specific items may. Mr. Fiander explained that the increase in IT and TSG fees came from an increase in fees charged to the Planning Division; MPO staff is 20% of entire Planning Division staff so 20% of these fees are charged to MPO. MPO pays 80% of that and the match comes from Planning Division budget. Mr. Peek explained that Planning Division has no control over how much of their budget is allocated to these specific fees each year. Also increased was the amount of money allocated to Conferences/Travel, and Mr. Scroggins reported that this year he attended the National Planning Conference and both he and Ms. Ricketts will attend the Quad-State Planning Conference coming up.

Mr. Rothrock stated that TMTA doesn't think they're going to get to do the relocation study this year so that money will move into the unencumbered fund. It would be approximately \$24k (project budget was \$30k so

80% would be \$24k). The total unencumbered amount will change based on additional funds needed for Direct Non-Staff Changes and TMTA's not using the \$24k. TMTA still plans to do the study, so will request the funding in 2020. It was noted that at the end of 2020, 20-25% of any un-spent funds will return to KDOT to use for competitive grants as 2021 is a "clawback" year).

**Motion** by Mr. Peek to approve the amendment (with changes noted during discussion) to go out for public comment; **second** by Mr. Fiander. **APPROVED** (7-0-0)

#### **Discussion/Non-Action Items**

Mr. Scroggins reported that staff expects to receive the final copy of the **Transportation Safety Plan** today and the consultant will be present at the August 22 Policy Board meeting to do a presentation on it. TAC members are invited to attend.

#### **Local Consult Invitations**

Ms. Wilson gave some information about the process for the August 26 meeting, reporting that it will be very different from what it's been in the past. There is already a list of projects, so the first hour of the consult will be dedicated to hearing people speak about <u>new projects</u> they'd like added to the list. It was stressed that if the project is already on the list, it doesn't need to be covered again. Discussion included what projects our MTPO has on our list and the fact that they follow along with the Long Range Transportation Plan. Mr. Fondoukis pointed out that the consistency between the two is a positive thing.

Also during the meeting will be a time for people to brainstorm about potential future scenarios, how we're equipped to deal with them now and how we need to prepare to deal with them better in the future. An example would be flooding. It was noted that KDOT is working on their Long Range Plan so this process will be used to provide input to that.

There will be additional events held in the fall, and input from this round will feed in to what happens then.

#### **Bikeways Master Plan Update**

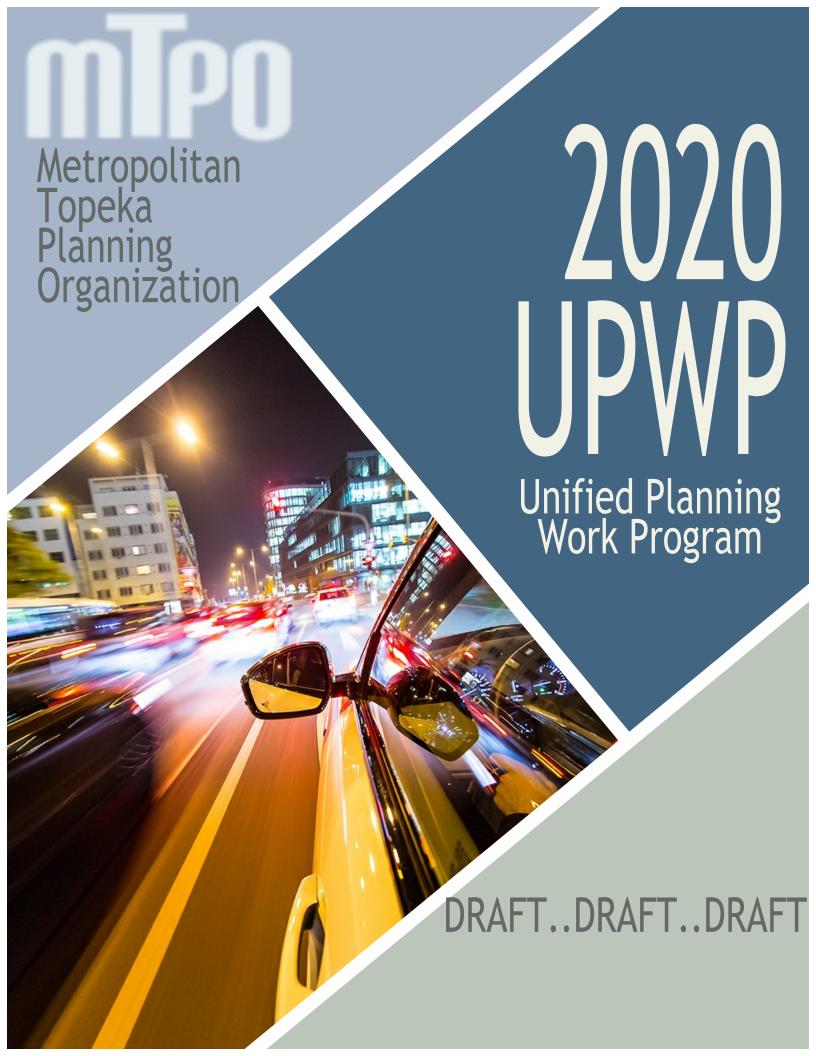
Ms. Ricketts reported that CSAC is serving as the steering committee for the Master Plan update. A public survey has been prepared by the consultant along with an interactive map people can use to "map" where they'd like to see bikeways, trails, etc. An open house has been scheduled for August 29 at SNCO Health Department, 4:30-6PM with a presentation by the consultant scheduled for 5PM. The survey and open house will be publicized.

#### Other

Mr. Rothrock was asked about the Bikeshare program. He said that the efforts to retain the bikes is mostly board-driven. While there are reports of ridership being down, Mr. Rothrock explained that miles traveled is up and weather has been a factor this year. There is not enough history to do a proper year to year analysis.

Ms. Ricketts reported that next month is National Bike Counts so she will be recruiting volunteers to count on September 11 and September 14.

The meeting adjourned at 3:10PM



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# INTRODUCTION

# Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-ACT)- Changes to the MPO Planning Process

In December of 2015 the President signed the current federal surface transportation bill into law. This act called Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-Act) keeps intact many of the planning provisions of the previous transportation bill, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) with emphasis placed on performance management in both statewide planning and metropolitan planning. This bill represents the first with long-term funding in a decade, including 5 years of funding from 2016 through 2020, totaling over \$305 billion dollars.

#### WHAT IS THE UPWP?

The purpose of the UPWP is to identify the transportation planning activities proposed by each of four cooperative partners in the metropolitan transportation planning process and the source of funds proposed to pay for these activities. The transportation planning process provides a forum for deciding how to improve the regional transportation system and how to allocate federal transportation funds to pay for Certain transportation planning those improvements. products (Long Range Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, Unified Planning Work Program, and the Public Participation Plan) need to be reviewed and adopted on a periodic basis. The UPWP provides the framework for ensuring that these required documents are produced in a timely fashion.

The UPWP was developed in cooperation with the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority (TMTA), The City of Topeka, and Shawnee County.

The MTPO receives Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) funds, administered by KDOT, each year to carry out metropolitan transportation planning for the region. The CPG is comprised of funds from both FHWA and FTA. The MTPO was re-designated as the new MPO for the region on March 3, 2004. Our planning area is the City of Topeka and approximately two thirds of unincorporated Shawnee County. A small portion of Jefferson County was included as part of the Topeka Urbanized Area in 2012 per the 2010 Census. For the Topeka-Shawnee County MPO, the Topeka Planning Department staff serves as the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) staff, with the Planning Director serving as the MTPO Secretary

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#### FUNDING BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY AND CHANGES

#### **Public Transit**

- \$72 Billion nationally over 5 years
- \$55 million in Kansas over 5 years (\$11m annually)
- o Re-established a Bus Discretionary Program
- Competitive process; Fund replacements for aging fleets or facilities; FY16 - \$268 million
- \$55 million has been designated for Low- or No-Emission Bus Deployment projects.

#### MPO Planning

- PL funding will increase 2% annually
- \$1.9 million in 2016
- Program Changes
  - TIPs should consider intercity bus operations
- MPO's are encouraged to include or consult on the following issues:
  - Natural disaster risk reduction
  - Reduction or mitigation of storm water impacts
  - Enhance travel and tourism

#### Transportation Alternatioves

- Referred to as Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside
- \$9.2 million in 2016 and 2017
- \$18 million in 2018 and 2019
- \$7 million in 2020
- Program Changes
  - MPO's with >200,000 population may flex 50%
  - MPO's must distribute funds "in consultation with state"
  - Non-Profit Organizations are not eligible sponsors (cannot apply themselves but can be a partner)

#### Surface Transportation

- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
- Continual increase in funds over the course of the FAST Act (2.3% Annually)
- Kansas \$101 million in 2016
- New eligible costs include SRTS, Workforce Development, and Intermodal

#### PERFORMANCE BASED PLANNING

The MTPO is committed towards working with its state and federal partners to ensure that its plans, programs and activities are compliant with the provisions of federal transportation law, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP- 21) and its recently adopted successor the Fixing Americas Surface Transportation Act (FAST). Notably, MAP-21

requires performance
measurements and performancebased planning be incorporated
into the MPO process. Specifically,
the Metropolitan Transportation
Plan must describe the
performance measures and targets
used in assessing system
performance and progress in
achieving the targets. A short-term
Transportation Improvement Plan

(TIP) must also be developed to demonstrate progress toward established performance targets and must also include a description of the anticipated achievements. Specific performance measures will be developed to advance attainment of the following national goals listed in MAP-21:

Safety: To achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

**Infrastructure Condition:** To maintain the highway infrastructure asset system in a state of good repair.

**Congestion Reduction:** To achieve a significant reduction in congestion on the National Highway System (NHS).

**System Reliability:** To improve the efficiency of the surface transportation system.

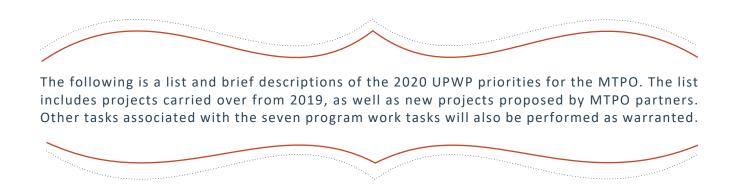
**Freight Movement and Economic Vitality:** To improve the national freight network, strengthen the ability of rural communities to access national and international trade markets, and support regional economic development.

**Environmental Sustainability:** To enhance the performance of the transportation system while protecting and enhancing the natural environment.

**Reduced Project Delivery Delays:** To reduce project costs, promote jobs and the economy, and expedite the movement of people and goods by accelerating project completion through eliminating delays in the project development and delivery process, including reducing regulatory burdens and improving agencies' work practices.

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#### PLANNING PRIORITIES FOR 2020



- Traffic Model Scenario runs model demographic update: The MTPO will work with the recently recalibrated model to run suggested traffic scenarios as needed to ensure traffic pattern efficiency. (MTPO Staff)
- 2. <u>Track Performance Measures:</u> Staff will track progress towards attaining Performance Measures set in 2019 as part of the new PM tracking requirements set forth in MAP21.
- 3. <u>Work on Bikeways and Pedestrian Implementation:</u> The MTPO staff will work on implementing both the Bikeways and Pedestrian Master Plans with the consult of the Complete Streets Advisory Committee and coordination with local City and County staffs. This will help ensure that the plans and implementations align with the MTPO goals. (MTPO staff, City Staff, and Complete Streets Advisory Committee)
- 4. <u>Transit Planning Activities:</u> Transit activities in 2020 will be focused on the bus Shelter placement and upgrade program and assisting Topeka Metro with the designation of assigned bus stops. Topeka Metro was awarded a TA grant in 2016 to assist in continuing this process.(Multi-modal planner and Topeka Metro Planners)
- 5. <u>Provide assistance on Transportation Planning related projects and studies:</u> The MTPO staff will assist partners with planning related studies, as determined to be appropriate to the goals of furthering the viability of the regional transportation network. Including staffing and assisting MTPO identified Transportation sub-committees. (MTPO Staff)
- 6. Explore possible other transportation projects that may be acceptable for 2020 budget consumption:
  The MTPO anticipates having funds available in 2020 for additional projects not yet identified, and will pursue any appropriate projects that may arise. This in an effort to utilize CPG funds that may otherwise be recouped by the state at year's end due the "Excess Funds Policy".

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# SECTION 2

# MTPO ACTIVITIES & THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM

For 2020 the MTPO proposes to conduct planning and programming activities categorized within the following seven work tasks. These work tasks will be partially funded with federal assistance provided to the MTPO in the form of a Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG). The MTPO will work with its planning partners, KDOT, the City of Topeka, Shawnee County, Topeka Metro and paratransit providers in the MTPO in carrying out these planning activities.

### **Program Work Tasks:**

- I. MTPO Program Support & Administration
- 2. Metropolitan Transportation Plan Activities (MTP)
- 3. Transportation Improvement Program Development (TIP)
  - 4. Public Participation Activities
  - 5. Corridor & Special Studies (Long Range/Short Range)
- 6. Regional Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture

7. Transit Planning Activities

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# 1 - MTPO PROGRAM SUPPORT & ADMINISTRATION

# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To provide overall management of the continuing, comprehensive and cooperative (3C) transportation planning process.
- To provide staff support services to the MTPO Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee and encourage communication within and between these groups.
- To provide for the administration of grants and contracts.

# Program Support and Administration

- General day-to-day activities
   associated with program support, grant
   administration and interagency
   coordination in relation to the CPG
   (timesheets, payroll, staff supervision,
   etc.)
- 2. Maintain records and provide reports to funding agencies on the status of transportation planning activities and resources expended.

# MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$50,242

# 1.2 <u>Committee Support</u>

- Provide staff support to the MTPO Policy Board, the MTPO Technical Advisory Committee, The Complete Streets Advisory Committee (CSAC), and any other regional transportation related committees that may be formed by the MTPO or its partners. This support includes preparing any supporting meetingrelated documents and maps.
- 2. Prepare agendas, minutes, announcements and meeting rooms to support the MTPO and TAC meetings, and to produce and post agendas and minutes on the website and in local news publications for public review.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$28,265

# 1.3 UPWP & Budget

- 1. Monitor progress toward completing the tasks included in the approved 2020 UPWP.
- 2. Prepare and approve the 2021 UPWP.

3. Prepare and approve amendments to the 2020 UPWP.

4. Prepare and receive quarterly billing information and submit requests for reimbursements to KDOT.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED
BUDGET: \$14.090

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### MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$4.530

Training opportunities that are proposed for 2020 include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Kansas APA Conference
- Kansas Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (KAMPO) meetings
- Transportation related webinars
- National Transit Institute and National Highway Institute workshops and online webinars in the region that provide training for MPO related topics
- Applicable GIS or other software training which supports MTPO activities
- Other relevant training that the MTPO Secretary directs the MTPO Staff to attend that is approved by KDOT

# 2 - METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)

# MTP ACTIVITIES & PRODUCTS

- 1. Model Refining (On-going)
- 2. Produce model runs if needed for plan implementation projects (on-going)

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$4,868

# BACKGROUND & UPDATE ACTIVITIES

The current Metropolitan Transportation Plan was updated in 2017 (Futures 2040 Regional Transportation Plan). MTP activities for 2020 will consist of MTPO staff refining the traffic model, as well as running traffic scenarios that may arise from MTPO partners. Demographic updates will also be refined in the intervening years until the next update is due in 2022.

# 3 - TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

# PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

 Process TIP amendments quarterly, as necessary.

# PRODUCTS:

Annual listing of 2020 obligated projects (4<sup>th</sup> quarter)

# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- To program, schedule and prioritize all regionally significant and/or federally funded transportation improvement projects that are consistent with the Long Range Transportation Plan and that are currently within the financial budgets of the project sponsoring agency.
- To ensure public participation procedures are carried out in the TIP development and amendment processes.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$5,650

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# 4 - Public Participation & Title VI Compliance Activities

**Civil Rights Compliance Activities:** In 1994 Presidential Executive Order 12898 (Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations) was issued. It stated .... "Each Federal agency shall make achieving environmental justice part of its mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations"...

#### THERE ARE THREE FUNDAMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PRINCIPLES:

A. TO AVOID, MINIMIZE, OR MITIGATE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH AND ADVERSE HUMAN HEALTH OR ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS, INCLUDING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS, ON MINORITY AND LOW-INCOME POPULATIONS.

- B. TO ENSURE THE FULL AND FAIR PARTICIPATION BY ALL POTENTIALLY AFFECTED COMMUNITIES IN THE TRANSPORTATION DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.
  - C. TO PREVENT THE DENIAL OF, REDUCTION IN, OR SIGNIFICANT DELAY IN THE RECEIPT OF BENEFITS BY MINORITY AND LOW-INCOME POPULATIONS.

The MTPO remains committed to supporting Federal Environmental Justice requirements and maintaining compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. As such, the MTPO will create and submit necessary reports to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and the American with Disabilities Act and analyze the new Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) with respect to Environmental Justice requirements.

In an effort to address Environmental Justice (EJ) and public participation concerns, and in an effort to better understand the transportation needs in the MTPO Area, the MTPO will collect information about, and assess the distribution of, transportation projects and their impacts across the region and among different population groups in the MTPO metropolitan planning area. These groups will include; Neighborhood Improvement Associations (NIAs), Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) groups, the local branch of the NAACP, senior transportation groups and other organizations representing low-income and/or minority populations in the MTPO Area. The current Title VI Plan was reviewed in 2013 and made compliant with the new Transportation Bill MAP 21.

All of the Public participation objectives outlined below are performed in accordance with all MTPO projects, plans and amendments. Staff time associated with the PPP element is solely attributed to any amending of any of the public participation guidance document; (PPP, Citizens Guide to Transportation Decision Making, LEP, transportation informational brochures and the Title VI Plan and complaint procedure form distributed both in the Planning office and on the MTPO website.) Active public involvement activities are accounted for within the development process of each document or project.

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# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

- To provide meaningful opportunities for residents of the MTPO area to participate in the Metropolitan Transportation Planning process
- To encourage activities that allow the MTPO to meet its Title VI and Environmental Justice obligations by providing meaningful opportunities for all persons to participate in the metropolitan transportation planning process.
- Ensure continued EJ compliance.
- Incorporate the principles outlined in the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan into the MTPO planning development process.
- Ensure that proper public participation, as outlined in the adopted PPP, is adhered to in carrying out all projects, plans, and documents.
- Make community groups aware of regional transportation planning decisions that are being made and to seek their input into these MTPO decisions.

# **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

- 1. General website maintenance,
- 2. Prepare public information ads for the Topeka Metro News and the official city information channel (Channel 4)
- 3. Hold public participation meetings in association with all MTPO sponsored activities documents and project updates requiring public input.
- 4. Update Title VI plan

# **PRODUCTS & TIMELINE**

- 1. Maintain the MTPO website (ongoing)
- 2. Annual Title VI Compliance Report (September)
- 3. Updated Title VI plan (December)

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$2,346

# 5 - CORRIDOR & SPECIAL STUDIES

Includes the costs of activities specifically emphasizing regional policy and system planning for non-transportation functional areas, including the development and maintenance of related data collection and analysis systems, demographic analysis and non-transportation modeling, and forecasting activity (e.g., land use, housing, human services, environmental/natural resources, recreation/open space, and public facilities).

1. <u>GIS Development.</u> Provide for the development of transportation related applications within the MTPO GIS platform.

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# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- 1. To analyze specific corridors located within the MTPO metropolitan planning area and address any transportation needs that may exist in those areas.
- 2. To conduct and/or manage special studies, plans and/or surveys that are needed to produce quality planning documents that will enhance transportation needs within the MTPO area.
- 3. To provide the MTPO partners and special interests groups with specialized information designed to address particular transportation planning related issues that are not specifically addressed in other MTPO planning documents.
- 4. Complete tasks associated with the implementation of the Bikeways Master Plan and the Pedestrian Master Plan.
- 5. Assist and educate the newly formed Complete Streets Advisory Committee on Complete Streets concepts and project plan review.



### **BIKEWAYS PRODUCTS:**

- 1. Completion of phase III (4<sup>th</sup> quarter)
- 2. Bikeways IV Updated Plan (4th quarter)
- 1. Work with city and county departments to determine the logistics of bicycle lane placement and signage for the implementation of phase III of the Bikeways Study.
- 2. Study other city's bikeway initiatives and determine what methods will work best for the MTPO area
- 3. Update the Bikeways Master Plan recommendations for Phase IV of the Plan.
  - Staff will be working with consultants to update plan
  - Evaluating the ultimate designs suggested in the original plan and making changes if necessary
  - Exploring other alternatives
- 4. Assist in gathering Bike and Pedestrian counts

### CONSULTANT COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$50,000

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$19,684



Work with city and county departments to determine a priority order for sidewalk placement for sidewalks purchased through different funding sources (as warranted on a project by project basis)

Survey sidewalks. (as warranted on a project by project basis)

### PEDESTRIAN PRODUCTS:

 Completion of sidewalks commensurate with the Pedestrian Plan recommendations (ongoing) MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$12,572

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# 5.3 General Studies & Plan Reviews

Sub-regional plans for neighborhoods and corridor plans in the Topeka Urbanized Area are ongoing. The MTPO staff supplies reviews, comments and in some instances data for these cases. The MTPO staff will continue this process of providing transportation related comments to transportation planning partners as these studies arise weather they are MTPO led or managed by other entities.

# PRODUCTS & ESTIMATED TIMELINES:

1. Prepare maps, data and reports in support of special studies being conducted by the MTPO or other MTPO partner groups. (Throughout year as needed)

### GENERAL STUDIES ACTIVITIES:

- 1. The MTPO staff will assist with special studies or surveys that are needed to address special concerns or issues raised by the MTPO Policy Board, the MTPO-Technical Advisory Committee or the MTPO partners and consultants.
- The MTPO staff along with the Complete Streets Advisory Committee will review new projects to ensure compliance with Complete Streets standards.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$14,696

# 5.4 <u>Target Setting for</u> <u>Performance Measures</u>

The MTPO staff along with its partners will research base line numbers for Performance Measures identified by KDOT which are now requirement of the current transportation bill. This Bill states:

- per 23 CFR 40.324(f), metropolitan transportation plans will document performance measures and targets, evaluate past condition and performance, and report progress achieved in meeting performance targets
- If an MPO agrees to adopt/support a State performance target, the MPO will document the State's target in their metropolitan transportation plan and describe whether the State was able to achieve that target based on data for past condition and performance.
- If an MPO establishes a performance target for their metropolitan planning area, the MPO will document the target in their metropolitan transportation plan and describe whether the MPO was able to achieve that target based on data for past condition and performance.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$6,270

### Products & Estimated Timelines.

- Decision on Performance Measures (3rd Quarter)
- Performance Measure Targets (1st Quarter)

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# 6 - REGIONAL INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (ITS)

**ARCHITECTURE** 

# **PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Review transportation projects/plans for ITS compliance. (on-going)
- Staff will participate in quarterly meetings of the Traffic Incident Management System (TIMs) committee for Shawnee County.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$782

# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Maintain an ITS architecture that all public works departments, law enforcement agencies, emergency response agencies, public transit providers, and government transportation agencies can use to design and implement a seamless ITS that operates throughout the region and is compatible with the National ITS Architecture.
- Educate public officials and interested parties in the region about Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) and how it impacts the operation of the region's transportation facilities and services.

# 7 - PUBLIC TRANSIT PLANNING

The UPWP document includes TMTA planning activities that will be conducted in 2020. An annual agreement between the MTPO and TMTA describes all of the stipulations and requirements that must be

# PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Provide strategic planning for efficient and effective transit services within the MTPO area services.

met in order for TMTA to receive these CPG funds. This allocation is dependent on the annual availability of federal funds. In 2020, a full time salary for transit planner will be funded in part with CPG funds.

# PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

- 1. **Bus Shelter Program:** Work to implement Topeka Metro's ongoing Bus Shelter Program, which includes evaluation of routes for best placement of a shelter, communication with local business to gain permission, coordination with the City on placement, and work with engineers and contractors to get the shelters on the ground. A TA grant was awarded to TMTA to continue this process into 2017.
- 2. **Ridership reports for FR and shuttles/events:** Monthly ridership reports are maintained to present to staff, the Board, FTA, and the National Transit Database. This includes ridership for Metro's fixed-route as well as any shuttles, events or promotions that occur.
- 3. **Bus Stop inventory:** Create a list of all the shelters, benches and bus stop signs in the system. Include the status of the shelter/bench, a photo, when it was installed, and which routes it serves.
- 4. **Miscellaneous:** Assess the need for sidewalk connectivity on bus routes; create maps for various presentations.
- 5. Admin/Maintenance building relocation study: Topeka Metro Staff along with consultants will conduct a study to identify potential future site locations to facilitate operational efficiencies thereby facilitating the potential of riverfront redevelopment efforts at the current site.

MTPO STAFF COST ESTIMATED BUDGET: \$64,908

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# SECTION 3

# BUDGET

The budget for the MTPO's MTP operations is included in this UPWP document in order to indicate how the Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) funds are being used to further the 3-C (continuing, comprehensive, cooperative) planning process in our metropolitan planning area.

The UPWP Budget does not include overhead expenses (office rent, utilities, insurance, etc.) since all of those indirect expenses are covered by the host agency (i.e., City of Topeka). Most of the expenses included in the UPWP Budget are for actual time worked by MTPO designated staff including selected TMTA staff and any MTPO approved consultant contracts. This budgeting process is used because, as the MTPO's host, the City handles certain accounting, purchasing and personnel functions for the MTPO. This also avoids the time and expense for our small MPO to obtain office space, utilities, and pay other indirect costs using Federal rules.

In addition to the staff costs, the MTPO is also including some direct charges for items such as travel expenses, office supplies, conference and training fees, software and software license renewals in the 2020 budget. These items can be readily attributable to the MTPO operation and can be easily tracked as separate MTPO expenses.

This 2020 UPWP includes funds from Topeka and the USDOT (through the Consolidated Planning Grant administered by KDOT) for most of the work tasks. For the work task involving transit planning most of the local share is provided by the Topeka Metro, while Topeka funds from the City's general operating budget make up a portion of the local match for MTPO Staff and City sponsored projects. KDOT also supplies cash funds for City or TMTA match funds which are an "incurred" cost from Corridor Management (CM) funds, when those funds are available. Eligibility for the use of these CM funds by the City of Topeka or TMTA is determined by FHWA and KDOT on a case by case basis.

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2020 UPWP Budget	UPWP#	Total MPO (CPG Eligible) Activities	Other (CPG Competitive Funds)
Program Support & Administration	1		
1.1 General Admin.		\$50,242	
1.2 Committee Support		\$28,265	
1.3 UPWP & Budget		\$14,090	
1.4 Training		\$4,530	
Direct Non-staff Charges			
TransCad Software License		\$1,200	
REMI Software License		\$8,000	
ArcMap Software License		\$1,689	
Tech. Support Group		\$6,062	
I.T. Fees		\$7,835	
Office Supplies/Printing/Advertising		\$1,820	
Staff Conference Costs /Travel		\$4,500	
MTP	2	\$4,868	
TIP	3	\$5,650	
Public Participation Plan	4	\$2,346	
Corridor and Special Studies	5		
5.1 Bikeways Activities		\$19,684	
5.2 Pedestrian Planning Activities		\$12,572	
5.3 General Studies		\$14,696	
5.4 Performance Measures		\$6,270	
Regional ITS Architecture	6	\$782	
Transit Planning Activities	7	\$69,799	
Transit Planning: Relocation of Maint. Bldg.		\$30,000	
Total Costs of 2020 Program		\$294,900	

CPG & Matching Share	
Federal Funds Being Used (80%)	\$235,920
Topeka Cash (Local Match)	\$39,208
TMTA Cash (Local Match)	\$19,772
Total Expenditures	\$294,900

Estimate of	<u>favailable</u>	<u>CPG</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>for</u>	<u> 2020</u>
2020 CPG Allo	cation*			\$3	10,000

2019 Competitive Grant Carryover\* \$40,000 Total Available 2020 CPG funds: \$350,000

2020 CPG funds programmed \$235,920

2020 Unencumbered funds \$114,080

\*Estimated

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Tasks (Regular Hours)	# dwdn	Office Specialist	Transportation Planning Manager	Transportation Planner	Topeka Metro. Transit planner	Total Labor Hours
MTPO Program Support & Administration	1					
1-1 General Admin.		110	655	550		1,315
1-2 Committee Support			300	455		755
1-3 UPWP & Budget			200	150		350
1-4 Training			50	70		120
Metropolitan Transportation Plan	2		90	20		110
Transportation Improvement Program	3		100	30		130
Public Involvement Plan	4		30	30		60
Corridor Studies & Special Studies	5					
5-1 Bikeways Activities			220	300		520
5-2 Pedestrian Planning Activities			135	200		335
5-3 General Studies/Plan Reviews			180	200		380
5-4 Target Setting form Performance Measures			100	50		150
Regional ITS Architecture			10	10		20
Transit Planning Activities	6		10	15	1,683	1,708
	7					
TOTAL REGULAR HOURS		110	2,080	2,080	1,683	5,953
% of Time Spent on MPO funded activities		5.29%	100%	100%	81%	

#### Notes:

This budget includes a planning/marketing coordinator and finance manager position for the TMTA that are partially funded with USDOT funds.

Other in-kind assistance is provided by many people in KDOT, Topeka, and Shawnee County. This assistance to the MTPO is not included in this budget. This UPWP Budget is designed to account for USDOT funds spent on the regional 3C planning program.

This budget is based on regular hours for one calendar year (2,080 hours) for each full-time employee and does not include overtime pay.

This budget includes funding for FHWA and FTA allocations to KDOT and KDOT sub-allocations of CPG funds to the MTPO.

The federal funds from FHWA and FTA are combined into one Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) administered by KDOT and the MTPO.

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Tasks (fully Loaded Labor)	UPWP#	Consultant & Supply Costs	Office Specialist	Transportation Planning Manager	Transportation Planner	Topeka Metro. Transit planner	Total Fully Loaded Labor	% of Total
MTPO Program Support & Administration	1							
1.1 General Admin.			\$2,276	\$30,916	\$17,050	\$0	\$50,242	\$0
1.2 Committee Support			\$0	\$14,160	\$14,105	\$0	\$28,265	\$0
1.3 UPWP & Budget			\$0	\$9,440	\$4,650	\$0	\$14,090	\$0
1.4 Training			\$0	\$2,360	\$2,170	\$0	\$4,530	\$0
Metropolitan Transportation Plan	2		\$0	\$4,248	\$620	\$0	\$4,868	\$0
Transportation Improvement Plan	3		\$0	\$4,720	\$930	\$0	\$5,650	\$0
Public Participation Plan			\$0	\$1,416	\$930	\$0	\$2,346	\$0
Corridor and Special Studies	5							
5.1 Bikeways Activities			\$0	\$10,384	\$9,300	\$0	\$19,684	\$0
5.2 Pedestrian Planning Activities			\$0	\$6,372	\$6,200	\$0	\$12,572	\$0
5.3 General Studies/Plan Reviews			\$0	\$8,496	\$6,200	\$0	\$14,696	\$0
5.4 Target Setting for Performance Measures			\$0	\$4,720	\$1,550	\$0	\$6,270	\$0
Regional ITS Architecture	6		\$0	\$472	\$310	\$0	\$782	\$0
Transit Planning Activities	7		\$0	\$472	\$465	\$68,862	\$69,799	\$0
MTPO Staff Non-Direct Charges		\$31,106					\$31,106	
Transit Planning Relocation Maint. Bldg.		\$30,000					\$30,000	
Total:		\$61,106	\$2,276	\$98,176	\$64,480	\$68,862	\$294,900	100%

# SECTION 4

### MAPS

THIS SECTION INCLUDES THE LATEST FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION MAP FOR ROADWAYS IN THE REGION. AT THE TIME THIS MAP WAS ORIGINALLY PRODUCED THE MPO PLANNING AREA INCLUDED ALL OF SHAWNEE COUNTY SO THE ENTIRE COUNTY IS SHOWN ON THIS MAP.

THIS SECTION ALSO INCLUDES A MAP OF THE MTPO METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA. THIS MAP WAS AN ATTACHMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TOPEKA. KDOT AND THE TMTA THAT ESTABLISHED THE MTPO AS THE NEW MPO FOR THE TOPEKA AREA. THIS NEW MPO WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2004. THE TOPEKA URBANIZED AREA AND THUS THE MTPO PLANNING AREA HAS CHANGED SINCE 2004. THE MTPO PLANNING AREA INCLUDES ALL OF THE TOPEKA URBANIZED AREA DEFINED BY THE CENSUS BUREAU IN 2010 AND ALL OF THE URBAN AREA FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PURPOSES DEFINED BY THE PREVIOUS MPO AND KDOT IN 2003. THIS NEW MTPO PLANNING AREA DOES NOT INCLUDE ALL OF SHAWNEE COUNTY. THE MTPO HAS THE ABILITY TO CONDUCT CONTINUING. COMPREHENSIVE, AND COOPERATIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES FOR THE TERRITORY INSIDE THEIR METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY. THE MTPO IS ALSO CHARGED WITH PROGRAMMING FUNDING FOR ALL FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS AND REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS WITHIN THAT PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY THROUGH THE TIP PROCESS.

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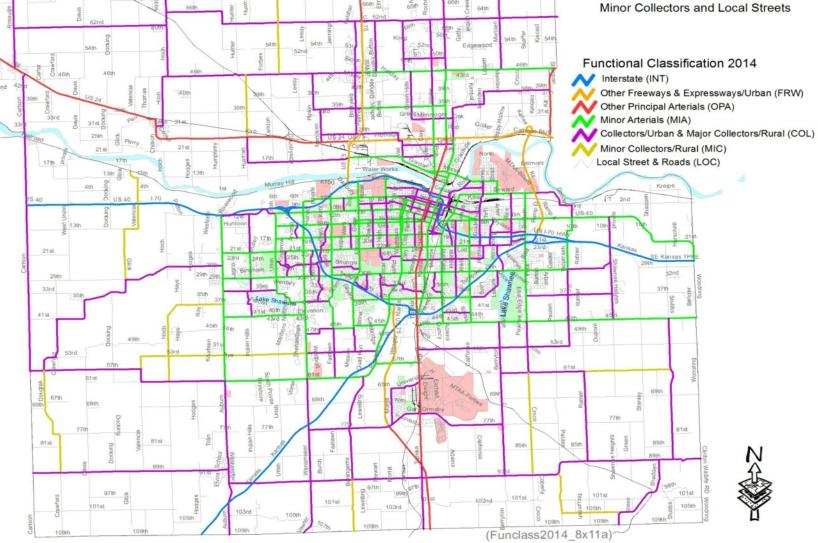
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Figure 3 Funtional Classification of Roads 2014

FHWA and MPO Approved Functional Classification Map for Topeka and Shawnee County: Interstates, Freeways/Expressways Principal Arterials, Minor Arterials, Collectors (Urban & Rural Major),

#### Functional Classification 2014

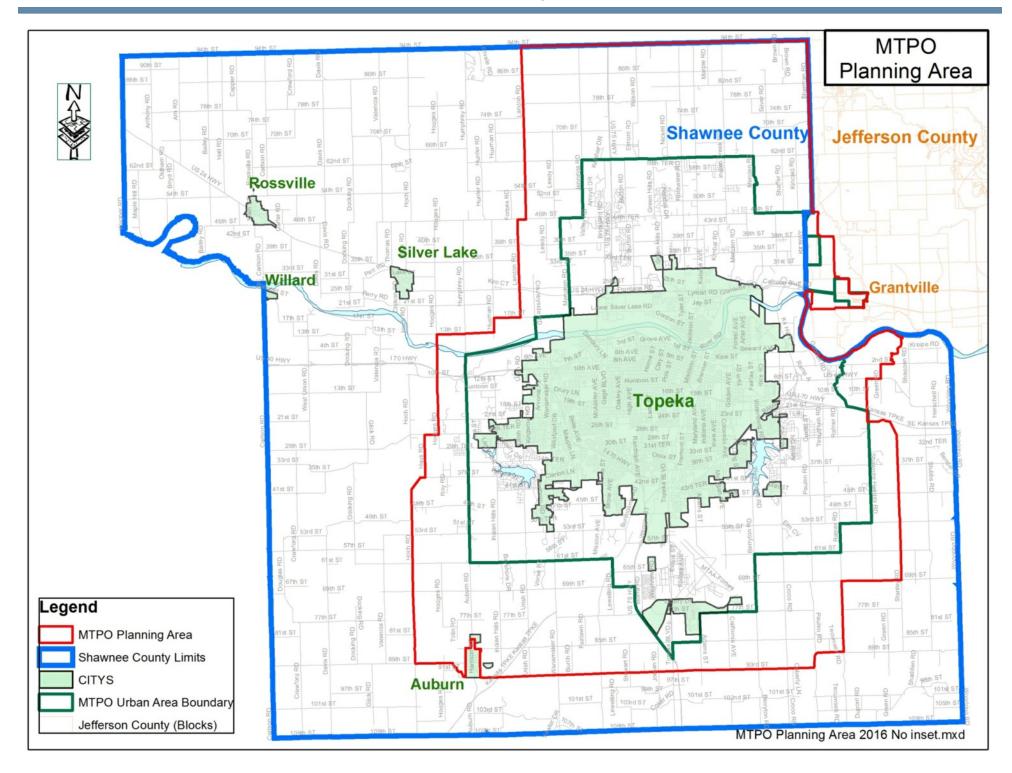
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# SECTION 5 UPWP RELATIONASHIP TO LRTP GOALS

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is the annual list of activities that the MTPO and its staff and sub-committees intend to do in order to address the mobility issues and concerns raised in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is designed to list transportation improvement projects that address the LRTP goals. The UPWP is designed to list the planning activities designed to address the LRTP goals. Both of these documents, UPWP and TIP, are implementation tools for the LRTP. The UPWP is concerned with the planning program implementation steps while the TIP is concerned with the facility and service improvement steps.

The current LRTP adopted by the MTPO contains seven goals for the region's transportation system and regional transportation planning program. In order to better understand how the annual activities listed in the UPWP help to implement the goals in the region's LRTP, the following chart was created. It indicates what planning activities are related to which LRTP goals. This helps the MTPO understand the relationship between the annual work program and the LRTP for the region.

Relationship between 2020 UPWP Work Tasks and 2040 LRTP Seven Goals

	Tasks (Regular Hours)	Cultivate, Maintain, and Enhance the Region's Economic Vitality	Increase the Safety and Security of the Region's Transportation System	Increase Accessibility and Mobility Choices in the Region	Protect, Preserve, and Enhance the Social, Historical, and Natural Environments of the Region	Promote Efficient System Management and Operation	Enhance Integration and Connectivity of the Transportation System Across and Between Modes	Emphasize Maintenance and Preservation of the Existing Transportation System
1	Bikeways Plan implementation	X	Х	Х		Х	X	
2	Pedestrian Master Plan Implementation	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3	Transit Planning Activities	X	X	X		X	X	
4	Complete Streets Reviews/Plan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5	Public Participation Plan		X	X		X	X	
6	Transportation Safety Plan	X	X			X	X	X
7	Transit Planning Activities	X	X	X		X	X	X



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