

Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)

Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2025, Regular Meeting

Concordia Community Center

802 S Gordon St., Concordia, MO 64020

I. Call to Order

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission (PTRPC) Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) called to order on April 17, 2025, at 6:15 PM at the Concordia Community Center with Chair Mark Edwards presiding.

II. Introduction of Guests

No guests were present.

III. Members present and quorum

TAC members present were as follows:

Jimmy Tye	Richard Strobel	Gary Bauer	Bryan Berlin
Phil Adlich	Harold Hoflander	Clark Fobian	Jack Harvey
Paul Engelman	Michael Brown	Jim Marcum	Stephanie Gooden
Rusty Sproat	Adam Couch	David Brown	Greg Swift
Tom Charette	Monica Ritter	Mark Edwards	Keith Windmeyer
Cindy Schroeder	Israel Baeza	Ron Toellner	

TAC multimodal members present were as follows:

Tracy Walkup

TAC members not present were as follows:

James Bell	Randy Florence	Bill Taylor	James Hill
John Marr	Kris White	Paul Porter	Jim Wiseman
Craig Williams			

A Quorum was Present

Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) staff members present were as follows:

Marisela Ward, KC District Area Engineer	Melissa Schmitz Transportation Planning Coordinator
Juan Yin District Planning Manager	Cate Tucker Transportation Planner

Others present were as follows:

Eldon Preston, Pioneer Trails RPC Associate Planner	Terry Thompson, State Representative
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Mike Schrage, City of Warrensburg
City Manager

Cameron Jackson, City of Knob Noster
City Administrator

Jeff Banhart, Lexington Area Chamber of Commerce
Director

IV. Approval of Agenda*

The meeting agenda was provided via email to all members prior to the meeting. Printed copies were provided. Members were notified of a change in the printed agenda to sustain a newly appointed TAC member.

****Mr. Tom Charette moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Clark Fobian. The motion was carried unanimously by an affirmative vote, with no additional discussion ****

V. Consideration of January 16, 2025, Meeting Minutes*

Meeting minutes were provided via email to all members prior to the meeting. Printed copies were provided.

****Mr. Richard Strobel moved to approve the January 16, 2025, minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Michael Brown. The motion was carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. ****

VI. Sustaining of Newly Appointed Pettis County TAC Member*

Mr. Ron Toellner was appointed by the Pettis County Commission to serve on the PTRPC Transportation Advisory Council, for the remainder of Mr. Noah Shepard's vacated term. Mr. Ron Toellner was presented to TAC for a sustaining vote.

****Mr. Israel Baeza moved to sustain Mr. Ron Toellner, seconded by Mr. Clark Fobian. The motion was carried unanimously by an affirmative vote, with no additional discussion. ****

VII. Consideration of the 2025 Annual Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update *

The 2025 Annual Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update was provided via email to all members prior to the meeting, with printed copies available for review. No discussion took place.

****Mr. Adam Couch moved to recommend the 2025 Annual Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) update to the PTRPC board for approval, seconded by Mr. Bryan Berlin. The motion was carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. ****

VIII. KC Connected Freight Plan Presentation

- Ms. Davonna Moore

Ms. Davonna Moore, Discipline Leader – DE&I/Freight Planning with CDM Smith gave a detailed overview of the KC 2050 Connected Freight Plan, including the progress that has been made, and the steps to follow. She gave a summary of the Scenario workshop that took place at State Fair Community College in Sedalia, the participants involved, input provided, and conclusions discussed.

IX. Missouri Department of Transportation

a. Unfunded Needs List Updates

The updated MoDOT unfunded needs list was provided to all members via email prior to the meeting. Printed copies were provided.

Ms. Juan Yin gave a brief overview of the MoDOT unfunded needs list process and a summary of the current updates, including:

Tier 1 needs are expected to be programmed within 5 years, Tier 2 needs are expected to be programmed within 5 to 10 years, and Tier 3 needs are expected to be programmed beyond ten years. When a need is programmed in the STIP it is removed from the unfunded needs list. Tier ranking can change from year to year based on needs presented, and needs may not be programmed based on order of Tier.

The Governor released funds last July, which removed some projects from the unfunded needs list, and MoDOT enacted the new STIP last month which also removed projects from the unfunded needs list. For example, projects on YY in Johnson County, U in Lafayette County, Hwy 141 in Saline County are off the unfunded needs list, and the resurfacing of Hwy 240 has been added as a new Tier 1 need.

b. MoDOT Program Updates

- Ms. Melissa Schmitz announced the hiring of a new Construction Inspector Cylan Burns, who will handle everything South of I-70.
- New boilerplate language has been added to the PSE bid manual, which will need to be used.
- TAP call for projects will open May 1st, with funding from previously under-utilized project funds. This call for projects is on a first-come, first-served basis, with only design proposals being considered. More details will be emailed out.
- Ms. Marisela Ward gave the following project updates:
 - Hwy 23 from Hwy 50 South to route D will begin on May 5th, to include resurfacing and signal updates.
 - J-turns on Hwy 50 will begin the first week of May, with the J-turn adjacent to Powell Gardens beginning sooner.
 - Work on route YY from Hwy 13 to the CC/YY intersection will begin on April 28th
 - Work on Hwy 24 from County Line to HWY 65 will begin in June
 - Linden Trail to Nitrogen Ave will be detoured on and off I-70
 - Route Y bridge will be closed from April 23rd through December 1st
 - The signing project will be let in May
 - The Hwy 13 project will be let in November. MoDOT is still securing the right of way

c. TAC Requested Updates

Most of the questions/concerns expressed to MoDOT related to the growth projected for the City of Sedalia and the surrounding area. Ms. Marisela Ward will meet privately with Pettis County and City of Sedalia staff to develop a growth plan.

- The I-70 overpass at Emma will be closed for demolition April 21st through 23rd, with project completion by December 1st.

X. TAC County Reports

Johnson Co.

- Ms. Marisela Ward explained some of the reasons why MoDOT is still in the process of securing right of way for the Hwy 13 project, including some confusion caused by utility companies approaching landowners regarding easements, while MoDOT is addressing right of way.
- A concern was raised regarding the closing of the crossover at Business 50 at the fire department exit. A left turn lane has been added to accommodate the needs of the fire department.
- The approaches of county roads onto state roads need maintenance and repair. MoDOT is willing to coordinate with the county for these repairs.
- Hwy 23, North of Hwy 50 needs attention.

Lafayette Co.

- Hwy 23 at the s-curve on the South side of the City of Concordia is eroding.

Pettis Co.

- They thanked Ms. Marisela Ward for meeting with them regarding the growth within and surrounding the City of Sedalia and requested an additional meeting. Marisela will meet with them immediately following TAC.
- There are large potholes on Hwy 50 in Sedalia.
- The Southbound Lane on 65 at Turkey Creek and both lanes over the bridge have many potholes.
- At the intersection of W. Main Street Rd and Oak Grove Ln in Sedalia, the markings and the inside edge of the slip lane are gone.
- The roadsides have eroded at the corner of route B and Sacajawea Rd, creating a large drop off.
- Lane edge and markings deterioration at the intersection of W 32nd St, and Hwy 65.
- Creating a traffic plan within the City of Sedalia.

Saline Co.

- Several of the approaches to state roads from gravel roads are in poor condition and need to be repaired.
- Asphalt needs to be repaired on Hwy 240
- Residents are noticing that pothole patches and other asphalt repairs do not last
- The roadsides of route N are breaking down, creating narrow lanes, with some places measuring less than 18 feet wide.

Multi-Modal

Ms. Tracy Walkup with OATS expressed gratitude for being included in the MoDOT transportation plans. OATS will be able to purchase new busses this year.

XI. Other Business

a. Letter of Support for UCM Airport Expansion

The letter of support was provided via email to all members prior to the meeting, and copies were printed. Mr. Eldon Preston gave a brief overview of the support for the UCM Airport expansion, and the economic benefits thereof.

b. Regional Needs List Updates Schedule

Mr. Eldon Preston gave a brief overview of the needs list update schedule and submission process. Three new needs have been submitted to date.

XII. Next Meeting: July 17, 2025, at 6:15 PM

2025 TAC Meeting Dates
January 16, 2025
April 17, 2025
July 17, 2025
October 16, 2025

2025 Transportation Needs Update Schedule	
November 1, 2024	New transportation needs submission opens.
July 1 – July 30, 2025	Review of 2024 needs for project removal and updates
July 30, 2025	New needs submission closes.
August 29, 2025	Disseminate transportation prioritization score sheet to all TAC members.
October 3, 2025 (Score Deadline)	Member scores due at end of business for consolidation.
October 16, 2025 (regularly Scheduled meeting)	Final scores presented to members and recommendation of approval and recommendation to the Board of Directors requested.

XIII. Adjournment

****Ms. Stephanie Gooden moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Greg Swift, carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. ****

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Mark Edwards at 7:40 PM.

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