

# Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission

Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)

Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2024 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 18, 2024 at 6:15 PM at the Concordia Community Center with Chair Paul Engelman presiding.

## II. New Member Introductions

- a. Phil Adlich, Johnson County – Self introduction took place

## III. Members present and quorum

### TAC members present were as follows:

Jimmy Tye	Bill Bernier	Phil Adlich	Tom Charette
John Marr	Richard Strobel	Randy Florence	Harold Hoflander
Dane Plymell	Gary Bauer	Jim Marcum	David Brown
Noah Shepard	Bryan Berlin	Jim Wiseman	Jack Harvey
Greg Swift	Keith Windmeyer	Stephanie Gooden	Paul Engelman

### TAC members not present were as follows:

Phil Harris	Craig Williams	Kris White	Adam Couch
James Hill	Israel Baeza	Clark Fobian	Bill Taylor
Chris Marshall	Paul Porter	Cindy Schroeder	

### *A Quorum was Present*

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

Marisela Ward, KC District  
MoDOT Area Engineer

### Others present were as follow:

Christopher Hess, Pioneer Trails RPC Principal Planner	Don Kennedy, Director of Transportation WILS
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## IV. Consideration of January 18, 2024 meeting minutes\*

Meeting minutes were provided via email to all members prior to the meeting. Printed copies were provided. No comments or discussion took place.

***\*Mr. Bill Bernier moved to approve the January 18, 2024 minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Harold Hoflander. The motion carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. \****

**V. 2024 Regional Transportation Plan Update Consideration\***

The draft 2024 Regional Transportation Plan was provided to all TAC member via email prior to the meeting for review and comment. One correction was identified, and all present were informed of the correction. No additional comments were made and discussion did not follow.

*\*Mr. Jim Wiseman moved to recommend the 2024 updated Regional Transportation Plan for consideration by the Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission Board of Directors, seconded by Mr. Bryan Berlin. The motion carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. \**

**VI. Missouri Department of Transportation**

**a. Update Multi-Modal Needs: Review and Discussion**

MoDOT identified multimodal needs were provided to the TAC to be considered for inclusion on the MoDOT High Priority Unfunded Needs List. Mr. Hess stated two of the three identified needs align with previously approved PTRPC transportation needs.

UNFUNDED MULTIMODAL NEEDS						
DISTRICT	COUNTY	ROUTE	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED FUNDING NEEDED (\$1,000)*	CITIZENS GUIDE UNFUNDED NEEDS CATEGORY	MODE
KANSAS CITY RURAL	PETTIS	CST PACIFIC ST	OPERATING COSTS FOR THE AMTRAK DEPOT IN SEDALIA	\$38	IMPROVE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS	RAIL
KANSAS CITY	PETTIS	1900 EAST BOONVILLE RD	Sedalia Reconstruct Parallel south parallel taxiway	\$5,000	IMPROVE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS	AVIATION
Kansas City	Across all Area Counties	Various	OATS - Local Match for 41 vehicles past useful life. Vehicles are the number that will reach 10 years in 2023. Cost is based on latest quote from MoDOT of \$110,000 for a cutaway chassis.	\$850	IMPROVE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS	TRANSIT

*\*Ms. Stephanie Gooden moved to confirm the inclusion of the MoDOT multimodal needs in the MoDOT High Priority Unfunded Needs list, seconded by Mr. Jim Marcum. The motion carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. \**

**b. Lemon Trail Bridge Closure Over I-70 East of Marshall Junction**

Project has been included in the improve I-70 group and will also include Nitrogen Bridge. A consultant is being brought in for it to be a bid/build project, with construction in 2025.

**c. Improve I-70 Update**

Mrs. Marisela Ward presented on the improvements along the I-70 corridor, Highlighting phase 1, 2, and 3. Handouts were provided that illustrated the segments and cost of each section across Missouri. Currently Columbia to King City, which is a 20 mile stretch from Route 63 to Route 54 will start construction in summer of 2024 and is expected to be completed late 2027. Phase two will be from Warrenton to Wentzville,

and phase three will be from Blue Springs to Odessa, which includes the Route 131 bridge improvements. All of I-70 is expected to be complete by the end of 2031.

Highlights discussed for the improvements in the PTRPC region include;

- Phase 3 is expected to have a November 2024 RFQ release
- Currently undergoing environmental clearances
- Public hearings will be held to showcase proposed improvements to I-70 and the 131 bridge
- Optimistic predictions place construction in 2025

Lafayette County Commissioner Harold Hoflander requested additional information be sent to himself regarding the bridge design options presented to him and the City of Odessa on November 23, 2023. Mrs. Ward explained those designs have been reduced from five to two and may not be used at all since the project has now been classified as a design-build project. The information she does have will be sent to the RPC to be distributed to all TAC members.

**d. Additional Project Updates**

- Striping crews are currently in Saline and Pettis Counties and will be moving to Lafayette and Johnson Counties once complete.
- Environmental clearances have not cleared causing delays. Once environmental is cleared ROW acquisition of the 70-80 parcels will begin. MoDOT is trying to obtain protective easements with the power company that owns electrical infrastructure along the corridor. The goal is to let the project in April of 2025 with an estimated 2-year construction.
- One crew is tasked with repairing and replacing signage for the nine county KC District. Priority has been placed with safety critical signs such as stop, and yield and not on signs that are informational or directional. No priority is being given to reflectivity.
- Safety concerns for the intersection of Rte. Y and 127 are not scheduled to be addressed by MoDOT at the time of the meeting. The need has been recently added to the PTRPC needs list to be scored during the next prioritization process. MoDOT representatives will look into addressing the concern and improving the intersection.
- Bridge deck repairs over Turkey Creek along US65 are scheduled for 2026.
- No repairs are scheduled at the time of the meeting for approach to bridge over North 65 over Heath Creek.
- Improvements to US65 and Rebar Road have been added to the proposed STIP update.
- Maintenance department will be notified of roadway failure along guardrail south of I70 and Hwy 13 junction.

## VII. TAC County Reports

### Johnson Co.

- Pothole concerns were expressed on the 600 block of Rte. DD
- A large pothole was identified in the median of US-50 at FF

### Lafayette Co.

- Sign damaged and unreadable was identified north of 224 about 9/10ths of a mile on Hwy 13. Requested it be covered, repaired, or removed.

### Pettis Co.

- Pothole concerns were communicated to MoDOT representative

### Saline Co.

- Thanks was given for the completion of many previously identified concerns throughout the county.

## VIII. Other Business

### a. 2050 Connected Freight Study Update

Project update was provided via email prior to the scheduled meeting, and in print to all present. Mr. Hess stated stakeholder engagement will be occurring soon, and if any TAC members wish to be part of the plans development process to contact him for meeting information.

## IX. Next Meeting: July 18, 2024, at 6:15 PM

## X. Adjournment

***\*Mr. Richard Strobel moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Jim Marcum, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote. \****

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Paul Engelman at 7:15 PM.

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