

**KYOVA INTERSTATE PLANNING COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

1. Brian Carr – WVD OH
2. John Callihan – Greenup County
3. Steve Cole – City of Ashland
4. Paul Davis – TTA
5. Stephanie Gilbert - OVRDC
6. Michael Graese – City of Ashland
7. Kara Greathouse – FHWA
8. Erin Grushon – Burgess & Niple
9. Erik Hall – WVDOT
10. Buford Hurley
11. Blake Jones – KYTC D9
12. Todd Kelley – Ashland PD
13. Patrick Leighty – Lawrence County Engineer
14. Deanna Miller – Qk4
15. Mike Payne – LCT
16. Doug Pinkerton - FIVCO
17. Michael Read – KYTC D9
18. Sam Richardson - RIC
19. Saleem Salameh – KYOVA
20. Terri Sicking - KYOVA
21. Jody Sigmon – KYOVA
22. Jake Smith - RIC
23. Rebecca Thompson – Qk4
24. Nick Vail – FHWA KY
25. Sam Wallace – FHWA OH
26. Randy Wheeler – City of Ashland
27. Bethany Wild - KYOVA
28. Thomas Witt - KYTC
29. Jennifer Woodall - TTA
30. Paul Young – KYOVA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Paul Davis called the meeting to order and requested self-introductions from those in attendance.

2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED

Meeting minutes for the April 25, 2023 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting were presented to the TAC.

3. KYOVA TRANSPORTATION STUDIES UPDATE

- **COMPLETE STREETS** – Erin Grushon gave an update on Complete Streets work. B&N is working on the prioritization process and prioritizing projects.
- **ASHLAND DOWNTOWN STREETScape/ROUNDABOUTS** – Ashland gave an update and explained some of the changes that will be part of the project. Some angled parking and lane reductions will be included. A handout was provided. Completion is expected in December 2024.
- **US 60/KY 180 CORRIDOR STUDY** – Rebecca Thompson gave an update on the project. The year-long study will look at roadway improvements and will be getting started soon.

4. AMENDMENT #1 TO THE KYOVA 2024-2027 TIP

Amendments include requests from WVDOH, Lawrence County, and LCT. Amendments include highway projects in Cabell and Wayne counties and removal of WV 75 project as well as changes to years of the projects. In Ohio, there is a change in phase of Chesapeake bypass and a change in funding type for the Transit facility. Air quality conformity was completed for this amendment and all projects went through 15-day public review process.

Patrick Leighty made the motion and Michael Graese seconded the motion to move Amendment #1 to the KYOVA 2024-2027 TIP forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

5. ANNUAL LISTING OF FY 2023 OBLIGATED PROJECTS FOR WV & OH

The obligated list was presented to the TAC. These are projects that were funded for WV & OH from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. They are separated by county, statewide. KY projects will be presented at the December meeting.

6. SUBMISSION OF KYOVA’S FY 2023 COMPLETION “PERFORMANCE & EXPENDITURE” REPORT

The Completion Report details all the activities completed by KYOVA in FY 2023. Reports are required monthly in KY and end of year for WV & OH.

Randy Wheeler made the motion and Patrick Leighty seconded the motion to move the FY 2023 Completion “Performance & Expenditure” Report forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

7. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM

Received request from TTA to purchase replacement heavy duty buses. A request was also made from Greenup Co. fiscal court for guardrail installation. The application cycle is open year round.

Michael Graese made the motion and John Callihan seconded the motion to move the STBG projects forward for Policy Board approval. It was approved unanimously.

8. TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE TARGETS UPDATE

KYOVA targets are up to date. Updated CY 2024 safety targets will be updated at the December meeting. KY and OH targets have been received but we are waiting on WV Safety targets.

9. TRANSIT SYSTEMS STATUS UPDATE FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA

- **TRI-STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY** – It has been challenging in finding qualified bus drivers. TTA needs 4 bus operators.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY TRANSIT** – There has been an increase in ridership. LCT also needs drivers. They are working with KYOVA, ODOT, FTA on parking garage project. An RFP for design for parking garage is the next step. It should be under construction in the next few years.
- **ASHLAND BUS SYSTEM** – 2 vehicles to be purchased on state contract.

10. FTA 5310 TRANSIT PROGRAM FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA

FY 2024 application will be available in the spring.

11. KYOVA STUDIES/BRIEF PROJECT UPDATES/INFORMATIONAL SESSION

- **FEDERAL UPDATE** – No update. Funding opportunities available – look at website for NOFOs
- **TRI-STATE AIRPORT PROJECTS** – No update.
- **SS4A** – KYOVA has signed the agreement and will work on an RFP.
- **LIGHT UP THE 31ST STREET BRIDGE** – There has been considerable investment in riverfront and marina. It would be nice for bridge to be lit up similar to Ironton-Russell bridge.
- **6TH STREET/ROBERT C. BYRD BRIDGE LED LIGHTING**
- **CITY OF HUNTINGTON PROJECTS** –
 - Hal Greer Blvd – Under construction. CompleteHalGreer.com is the landing page for info related to Hal Greer. A simplified timeline has been added to website. Educational materials about different elements about the project have been presented on the website. There will be closures to work on water line at underpass overnight for about a week.
 - 3rd Avenue Complete Street – Finalizing agreements and getting contract signed soon
 - 14th Street West Complete Street – Contract with EL Robinson & subconsultants – working on design plan to connect PATH with 14th St. W. Demonstration project completed with a 3-way stop. Around 1,000 vehicles came through the intersection and provided a way for people to give feedback.
 - Downtown Streetscape Project – Reviewing draft scope of work with consultant
 - 3rd Ave Mid-block crossing – Working on signing contract

- **WVDOH UPDATE** – Downtown Streetscape meeting was very productive. STBG funds requested (list of projects) have been programmed and WVDOH is working to get authorization. The bike/ped coordinator position has not yet been filled.
- **KYTC CENTRAL OFFICE** – Several planning studies underway including US 60 corridor study, KY 716 & KY 168 studies; Statewide projects include working on the 6-year highway plan to recommend to legislature. KYTC is continuing training sessions for Complete Street policy.
- **BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES PROJECTS UPDATE** – See project sheet for updates.
- **ODOT UPDATE** – No update
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY PROJECT UPDATE** – US 52/SR 243 roundabouts – working through design-build process. Stage 2 layouts should be received soon. Once they get approval then they can get Stage 3. Construction is expected to start in the spring. Small bridge replacement on Township Rd. Design build project. Waiting on encumbrance of funds. Project was bid on July 25th. Need to get under contract within the week.
- **REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL (RIC) UPDATE** – Working on Suballocated funding process. No requests received but trying to implement MTP through suballocated funding. Road safety assessment – implementing safety action plan. Looking at some areas in downtown Charleston and location in Putnam County.
- **FIVCO AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE** – Updating bike/ped plan which includes a list of cities and counties that have one. KYTC working on zoning planning database – which cities and counties have those. Received from Ashland and Catlettsburg. Need from City of Greenup. Today is the last day for boosting projects.
- **CENSUS BOUNDARY UPDATES** – Will be working on updating boundaries for WV & OH.
- **OTHER AGENCIES**

12. OTHER BUSINESS

- VULNERABLE ROAD USER PUBLIC MEETING – SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 @ KYOVA OFFICE 4:30PM-6:30PM
- FUTURE KYOVA MEETING DATES:

<i>KYOVA Technical Advisory Committee</i>	<i>KYOVA Policy Committee</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting time: 10:00 a.m. to noon • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom** 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting time: 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom**
September 19, 2023 IN PROGRESS	September 22, 2023 (Friday)
December 5, 2023 (Tuesday)	December 8, 2023 (Friday)
February 27, 2024 (Tuesday)	March 1, 2024 (Friday)
April 23, 2024 (Tuesday)	April 26, 2024 (Friday)
July 23, 2024 (Tuesday)	July 26, 2024 (Friday)

*KYOVA reserves the right to alter the dates based required board approval and if need, to hold special meetings.

** As meeting date nears a determination may be made to meet virtually to ensure the health and safety of attendees and staff. If the meeting is virtual KYOVA will post the connection information on the KYOVA website and forward electronically to committee members.

13. ADJOURNMENT