

**Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
of the
Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study (KATS)**

Friday, January 21, 2022 at 10:00 AM via Zoom
Meeting Notes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Megan Mickelson at 10:05 AM

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made by those present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kay Chase
Paul Sotherland

OTHERS PRESENT

Megan Mickelson
Ryan Minkus
Steve Stepek
Ali Townsend

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brendan Molony
Marc Irwin
Craig Williams

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No changes or additions were made.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Informal approval of the agenda items by consensus since quorum was not met.

RECAP FROM THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 MEETING

Meeting minutes were reviewed.

FY 23-26 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) UPDATE

Mickelson gave an update on the current status of the upcoming FY 23-26 TIP. The KATS website includes a draft list of projects as well as an online map of those projects. Next meeting of the TIP subcommittee will focus on the prioritization of projects based on available funding for each fiscal year. That TIP subcommittee is to be held on Monday, January 24 via Zoom.

NON-MOTORIZED ONLINE MAPPING VIEWER

Mickelson gave a brief demonstration of the new non-motorized facilities interactive online map. This map was released shortly after the adoption of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to better display the maps that are found in Chapter 7 of that document. There will be a standing Non-Motorized Subcommittee that meets quarterly to review data that goes into the map for better accuracy.

KATS 101 AND 201 TRAINING

The KATS staff is offering 101 and 201 training for anyone that is interested. There are currently 101 training time slots on Thursday, February 3 at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Please contact Steve Stepek to join a training session or request a different time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minkus introduced himself to the group as the new Chair of the KATS Technical Committee.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Kay-Chase inquired about the infrastructure bill. Stepek gave a brief update on that bill which is currently in process and will give the KATS MPO a 25% increase in funding which is roughly \$1 million. Stepek also mentioned the new Carbon Reduction Program which gives a small amount of funding to the area as well as the new Protect Program. MDOT is still working on those funding formulas.

Sotherland inquired about the CAC Bylaws as relating to the term limits. Mickelson agreed to go over the bylaws and keep the committee updated on any renewals.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM