

ACECMO/KCMO Liaison Committee

April 2025 Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 30th at 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: KCMO City Hall, 17th Floor Conference Room

ACEC

Steve Schultz, Chair (Bartlett & West)
Jessica Smith (TranSystems)
Laura Gray (Lamp Rynearson)
Jeff McKerrow (Kimley Horn)
Michelle Mahoney (CFS)
Nathan Hladky (Hg Consult)
Scott Cogan (WSP)
Scott Heavin (HDR)
~~Morgan Mundell (ACEC)~~
~~Dawn Danison (ACEC)~~
~~Bob Gilbert (ACEC/Bartlett & West)~~

Architecture

Rukhsana Reyes (City Architect)

Aviation

Jade Liska (Deputy Director)
~~Melissa Cooper (Director)~~

CREO

Jaime Guillen (Director)

Parks and Recreation

~~James Wang (Chief Engineer)~~

Public Works

Nick Bosonetto (City Engineer)
Michael Shaw (Director)
Jason Waldron (Transportation Director)
~~Uday Manepalli (Pedestrian Safety Engineer)~~
~~Mark Montgomery (Operations Officer)~~
~~Courtney Stephens (Performance Manager)~~
~~Angie Laurie (Associate Director, Transportation)~~

Streetcar

~~Tom Gerend (Executive Director)~~

Water

Jeff Martin (Chief Engineering Officer)
Travis Kiefer (Deputy Director – Permit & Development)
~~Kenneth Morgan (Director)~~
~~David Poirier (Engineering Division Manager)~~
~~Andy Shively (Deputy Director)~~
~~Blake Anderson (Facilities Engineering Division Head)~~
~~Karine Papikian (Collections Systems Engr Manager)~~
~~Matt Thomas (Collection Systems Manager)~~

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- 1) Old Business – no report
 - 2) New Business
 - a) Current Legislative Issues at State and National
 - i) The City is evaluating the recent USDOT letter from Secretary Duffy. The guidance from the letter is unclear at this time.
 - ii) The City received notification that the guidance issued in 2022 which provided rules around race and gender has been rescinded.
 - iii) House Bill 939 is of concern to the City because it revises building codes, and if passed it will have a significant impact to vertical construction projects.
 - 3) Department Updates (Introductions, Organizational & Staff Changes, Projects Report, etc.)
 - a) ARCHITECTURE
 - i) CMAR RFP for the detention center has been released.

- ii) RFQ for the design of the Community Resource Center (CRC) will be coming out in the second or third quarter. The Center will provide mental health and drug abuse support services. The location and final budget are still being developed.

b) AVIATION

- i) The department is hosting an outreach of upcoming design and construction projects on July 17th. It will be held at the Aviation Department Offices, 601 Brasilia Ave., Kansas City, MO 64153, 2nd Floor Conference Room from 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm (It is recommended you arrive early to park, check-in and locate a seat) Contact Jade Liska with any questions.
- ii) Landside on-call RFQ for both airports is coming out this year. More details will be provided during the July 17th meeting.
- iii) There is a budget of \$15 to \$20 M in projects coming up in 2026-2028. Design will be completed by both on-call consultants and through RFQ selection.

c) CREO

- i) No additional updates beyond the legislative issues.

d) PARKS & RECREATION

- i) No representative

e) PUBLIC WORKS

- i) The city is working on a template for private development plans. The goal is for the plans to have similarities in content and format to improve efficiency by plan reviewers.
- ii) \$40 M Bridge Grant – still waiting for agreement from the FHWA.
 - (1) An RFQ for an owner's rep will be released in May.
- iii) The upcoming projects have not changed from the last meeting.
- iv) Proposed improvements to 63rd Street (Woodland to Troost) is being combined with a Water services project in Daniel Boone Park. Funding is being evaluated including federal grants.
- v) Platte County and the City are discussing gas tax revenues and how that can be used on projects. It is estimated to be \$25M over 5 years.
- vi) Projects to improve transportation during the World Cup are as yet undefined.
- vii) The department appreciates any support from ACEC and the membership in promoting funding for local government projects. There is a lot of need that continues to be unfunded.

f) STREETCAR

- i) No representative or report

g) WATER

- i) Two design-build projects coming up – Blue River WWTP \$14M and Handrail Improvements \$3M
- ii) In August a facility plan RFQ/P for the Fishing River WWTP will be released.
- iii) New rules and regulations for water main extensions and service lines are on Water Services website. In addition, there have been compliance updates to the design standards.

h) Other Topics

4) Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 27th, 2025 @ KCMO City Hall, Joann Collins Training Room