



ASSOCIATION OF  
CENTRAL OKLAHOMA  
GOVERNMENTS

# ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

Chair

Shelli Selby

Yukon Councilmember

Vice-Chair

Vacant

Secretary/Treasurer

Vacant

Executive Director

Mark W. Sweeney, AICP

**AGENDA:** THURSDAY  
MAY 29, 2025  
1:20 P.M.

Association of Central Oklahoma Governments

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**THE ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A REGULAR MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 29, AT ACOG IN THE OKLAHOMA BOARD ROOM, 4205 N. LINCOLN BLVD., OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA.**

Please notify ACOG at 405.234.2264 (TDD/TTY Call 7-1-1 Statewide or email [title.vi@acogok.org](mailto:title.vi@acogok.org)) by noon Tuesday, May 27, if you require accommodations pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

## AGENDA

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**A. CALL TO ORDER ([ATTACHMENT A](#))**

**B. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 24, 2025, MINUTES ([ATTACHMENT B](#)) *Action requested.***

## BEGINNING OF CONSENT DOCKET

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**C. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT DOCKET:**

**INFORMATION:** Requires a motion to approve action items and/or accept informational items, with a second, that all items under the Consent Docket be considered in one vote.

**CONSENT DOCKET ITEMS:**

1. Functional Classification Revisions for the ACOG MPO Area: Lauren Wood, Transportation Planning Services (TPS) Transportation Planner II – Performance ([ATTACHMENT C-1](#)) *For information only.*
2. Message for Recipients of U.S. Department of Transportation Funding: John Sharp, Deputy Director ([ATTACHMENT C-2](#)) *For information only.*
3. Grant Opportunities: Ethan Mazzio, TPS Transportation Planner II - Mobility ([ATTACHMENT C-3](#)) *For information only.*
4. Projects in the ACOG MPO Transportation Management Area (TMA): Lauren Wood, TPS Transportation Planner II – Performance ([ATTACHMENT C-4](#)) *For Information only.*

## END OF CONSENT DOCKET

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**D. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS THAT MAY REQUIRE ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:**

1. City of Norman Project Swap on Lindsey Street: John Sharp, Deputy Director ([ATTACHMENT D-1](#)) *Action requested.*
2. Central Oklahoma Long Range Transit Plan Update: John Sharp, Deputy Director ([ATTACHMENT D-2](#)) *For information only.*
3. The Town of Washington Request for Membership on the ACOG MPO Policy Committee: John Sharp, Deputy Director ([ATTACHMENT D-3](#)) *Action requested.*
4. Transportation News and Update Report: John Sharp, Deputy Director *For information only.*

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

**F. ADJOURN**

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## DEADLINE FOR JUNE ACOG MPO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS:

Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 4 p.m.

## NEXT ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING:

Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 1:20 p.m.

# ATTACHMENT A

## ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBERS		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
BETHANY	Hon. Amy Sandoval Mayor	Hon. Chris Powell Councilmember
		Hon. Kathy Larsen Councilmember
BLANCHARD	Hon. Ben Whitt Councilmember	Hon. Chuck Kemper Vice Mayor
		Hon. Michael Scalf Mayor
CALUMET	Hon. Terry Brungardt Trustee	Hon. Michael Snyder Trustee
CEDAR VALLEY	Hon. Tom Trello Vice-Mayor	Hon. Jerry Cole Trustee
CHOCTAW	Hon. Cody Brewer Councilmember	Hon. Chad Allcox Mayor
COLE	Hon. Chris Moss Trustee	Hon. Nick Cannon Trustee
		Hon. Gordon Hegeman Mayor
DEL CITY	Hon. Floyd Eason Mayor	Hon. Pam Finch Vice-Mayor
		Hon. Claudia Browne Councilmember
EDMOND	Hon. Mark A. Nash Mayor	Hon. Maggie Murdock Nichols Councilmember
EL RENO	Hon. Amy Neathery Councilmember	Hon. Steve Jensen Mayor
		Hon. David Black Vice-Mayor
FOREST PARK	Hon. Rashanna Baker Trustee	Hon. Stephen Miller Trustee
		Hon. George H. Smith Mayor
GOLDSBY	Hon. Kari Madden Vice-Mayor	Vacant
GUTHRIE	Hon. Grant Aguirre Councilmember	Hon. Jeff Taylor Councilmember
HARRAH	Hon. Tim Rudek Councilmember	Hon. Jennifer McCammond Councilmember
		Hon. Bill Lisby Councilmember
JONES CITY	Hon. Casey Burwell Trustee	Hon. Dan Wells Trustee
		Hon. Scott Meyer Trustee
LEXINGTON	Hon. Mike Donovan Mayor	Hon. TaRena Furr Vice-Mayor
		Hon. Max Punneo Councilmember
LUTHER	Hon. Terry Arps Mayor	Hon. Carla Caruthers Trustee
		Hon. Cindy Harris Baker Trustee

## ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE (CONT.)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBERS (CONT.)		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
MIDWEST CITY	Hon. Matt Dukes Mayor	Hon. Pat Byrne Vice-Mayor
		Hon. Rick Favors Councilmember
MOORE	Hon. Kathy Griffith Councilmember	Any Moore Councilmember
MUSTANG	Vacant	Hon. James Wald Councilmember
NEWCASTLE	Hon. Mike Fullerton Vice-Mayor	Hon. Marci White Councilmember
NICHOLS HILLS	Hon. Sody Clements Vice-Mayor	Hon. Colin M. Fritz Simons Councilmember
NICOMA PARK	Hon. Mark Cochell Mayor	Hon. Mike Czerczkl Councilmember
		Vacant
NOBLE	Hon. Phil Freeman Mayor	Hon. George Schmerer Councilmember
		Hon. Chad Terrill Councilmember
NORMAN	Hon. Larry Heikkila Mayor	Hon. Stephen Holman Councilmember
OKLAHOMA CITY	Hon. Matt Hinkle Councilmember	Any Oklahoma City Councilmember
PIEDMONT	Hon. Rob Jones Councilmember	Hon. Bryon Schlomach Councilmember
		Hon. Matt Myers Councilmember
SLAUGHTERVILLE	Hon. Kathy Snellbaker Trustee	Hon. Leah Grady Trustee
SPENCER	Hon. Frank Calvin Mayor	Hon. Charmin Williams Vice Mayor
TUTTLE	Hon. Trey Buck Councilmember	Hon. Larry Watson Councilmember
THE VILLAGE	Hon. David Bennett Councilmember	Vacant
UNION CITY	Hon. James Smith Trustee	Hon. Chad Fischer Trustee
		Vacant
WARR ACRES	Hon. Vickie Douglas Mayor	Hon. Judy Myers Councilmember
		Vacant
YUKON	Hon. Shelli Selby Councilmember	No Designee
CANADIAN COUNTY	Hon. Lacey Dawson Commissioner	Hon. Tomas Manske Commissioner
		Hon. Tracey Rider Commissioner

## ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE (CONT.)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBERS (CONT.)		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
CLEVELAND COUNTY	Hon. Rod Cleveland Commissioner	Hon. Rusty Grissom Commissioner
LOGAN COUNTY	Hon. Mark Sharpton Commissioner	Hon. Monty Piearcy Commissioner
		Hon. Floyd Coffman Commissioner
MCCLAIN COUNTY	Hon. Wilson Lyles Commissioner	Hon. Terry Daniel Commissioner
OKLAHOMA COUNTY	Hon. Myles Davidson Commissioner	Hon. Brian Maughan Commissioner

AGENCY MEMBERS		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
CENTRAL OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING AUTHORITY (COTPA)	Jesse Rush Administrator	Suzanne Wickenkamp Asst. Director - Operations
NORMAN - TRANSIT	Taylor Johnson Transit & Parking Program Mgr.	Jason Huff Transit Planner & Grants Specialist
OKLAHOMA CITY AIRPORT TRUST	Randon Rieger, P.E. Civil Engineer III	John Storms Civil Engineer IV
OKLAHOMA DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) - Planning Division	Dawn Sullivan, P.E. Deputy Director	Laura Chaney Planning Branch Manager
		Monte Smith Administrator of Legislative Affairs
OKLAHOMA DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) - Mobility Division	Jared Schwennesen Division Manager	Laura Chaney Planning Branch Manager
		Sarah McElroy MPO Coordinator
OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (OTC) - DIVISION 3 - MCCLAIN & CLEVELAND COUNTIES IN ACOG MPO AREA	T.W. Shannon Transportation Commissioner	Ron Brown, PE ODOT Division 3 Engineer
		Jason Boomer ODOT Division 3 Project Manager
OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (OTC) - DIVISION 4 - CANADIAN, LOGAN, & OKLAHOMA COUNTIES IN ACOG MPO AREA	Don Freymiller Transportation Commissioner	Emily Pehrson ODOT Division 4 Project Manager
OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (OTC) - DIVISION 7 - GRADY COUNTY IN ACOG MPO AREA	Stephen J. LaForge Transportation Commissioner	Jay Earp, P.E. ODOT Division 7 Engineer
		Laura Chaney ODOT Planning Branch Manager

## ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE (CONT.)

NON-VOTING MEMBERS		
AGENCY	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)	Vacant	Vacant
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA)	No Designee	Vacant
		Vacant
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA)	No Designee	Vacant
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE (Associate Member)	Stephanie Wilson Base Civil Engineer	Vacant

## ACOG STAFF

### TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SERVICES (TPS)

NAME	TITLE	EMAIL ADDRESS
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MADISON MARTIN	Clean Cities Intern	<a href="mailto:mmartin@acogok.org">mmartin@acogok.org</a>
GWEN GORDON	TPS Administrative Assistant	<a href="mailto:ggordon@acogok.org">ggordon@acogok.org</a>
BEVERLY GARNER	Executive Assistant	<a href="mailto:bgarner@acogok.org">bgarner@acogok.org</a>





## ATTACHMENT B

### SUBJECT:

### MINUTES OF THE ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

### DATE:

**APRIL 24, 2025**

A regular meeting of the ACOG MPO Policy Committee (PC) was convened on Thursday, April 24, 2025, in the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments Oklahoma Board Room, 4205 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This meeting was held as indicated by advance notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk and by notice posted at the ACOG offices at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

#### **PRESIDING**

Hon. Glenn Berglan, Trustee

#### **ENTITY**

Goldsby

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Hon. Amy Sandoval, Mayor  
Hon. Ben Whitt, Councilmember  
Hon. Darrell Davis, Mayor  
Hon. Steven J. Gentling, Mayor  
Hon. Tim Rudek, Councilmember  
Hon. Mike Donovan, Mayor  
Hon. Terry Arps, Mayor  
Hon. Kathy Griffith, Councilmember  
Hon. Mike Fullerton, Vice-Mayor  
Hon. Peter Hoffman, Mayor  
Hon. Phil Freeman, Mayor  
Hon. Larry Heikkila, Mayor  
Hon. Matt Hinkle, Councilmember  
Hon. Rob Jones, Councilmember  
Hon. Kathy Snellbaker, Trustee  
Hon. Leah Grady, Trustee  
Hon. David Bennett, Councilmember  
Hon. Judy Myers, Councilmember  
Hon. Rod Cleveland, Commissioner  
Hon. Mark Sharpton, Commissioner  
Hon. Wilson Lyles, Commissioner

#### **ENTITY**

Bethany  
Blanchard  
Edmond  
Guthrie  
Harrah  
Lexington  
Luther  
Moore  
Newcastle  
Nichols Hills  
Noble  
Norman  
Oklahoma City  
Piedmont  
Slaughterville  
Slaughterville  
The Village  
Warr Acres  
Cleveland County  
Logan County  
McClain County

#### **AGENCY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Laura Chaney, Planning Branch Manager

#### **ENTITY**

Okla. Dept. of Transportation (ODOT)

#### **NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

None

#### **ENTITY**

#### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Pete White, Attorney  
William De Los Santos, Dir. Hydrogen Bus. Dev.  
Dan Rogers, Sr. Dir. Energy & Industrials  
Viplav Reddy, Acting Community Planner  
Hon. William Jones, Trustee  
Chip Nolen, Planning Manager  
Dan Kassik, Planning Director

#### **ENTITY**

ACOG Legal Counsel  
Bloom Energy  
Bloom Energy  
FHWA Okla. Division  
Forest Park  
Central Okla. Trans. & Parking (COTPA)  
Guthrie

**GUEST PRESENT Cont'd**

Hon. Dan Wells, Mayor  
 Hon. Misty B. Mayes, Trustee  
 Hon. TaRena Furr, Vice-Mayor  
 Steve Griffith, Citizen  
 Michael Taylor, Asst. City Manager  
 Ryan Baker, Mgmt. Specialist

**ACOG STAFF PRESENT**

Mark W. Sweeney  
 John Sharp  
 Debbie Cook  
 Eric Pollard  
 Lauren Wood  
 Ethan Mazzio  
 Jose Jimenez-Rubio  
 Sharon Astin  
 Gwendolyn Gordon  
 Beverly Garner  
 Jimmy Smith

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Hon. Terry Brungardt, Trustee  
 Hon. Tom Trello, Vice-Mayor  
 Hon. Cody Brewer, Councilmember  
 Hon. Chris Moss, Trustee  
 Hon. Floyd Eason, Mayor  
 Hon. Amy Neathery, Councilmember  
 Hon. Rashanna Baker, Trustee  
 Hon. Mark Boydston, Trustee  
 Hon. Matt Dukes, Mayor  
 Hon. Brian Grider, Mayor  
 Hon. Mark Cochell, Mayor  
 Hon. Frank Calvin, Mayor  
 Hon. Trey Buck, Councilmember  
 Hon. Keith Dennis, Trustee  
 Hon. Shelli Selby, Councilmember  
 Hon. Lacey Dawson, Commissioner  
 Hon. Myles Davidson, Commissioner

**AGENCY MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jesse Rush, Administrator  
 Taylor Johnson, Transit & Parking Mgr.  
 Randon Rieger, P.E. Civil Engineer III  
 Jared Schwennesen, Division Mgr.  
 T.W. Shannon, Trans. Commissioner  
 Don Freymiller, Trans. Commissioner  
 Stephen J. LaForge, Trans. Commissioner

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT**

Glenn Boles, Manager  
 No Designee  
 No Designee  
 Stephanie Wilson, Base Civil Engineer

**ENTITY**

Jones City  
 Langston  
 Lexington  
 Moore  
 Nichols Hills  
 Oklahoma City

**POSITION**

Executive Director  
 Deputy Director  
 Finance Director  
 TPS Air Quality & Clean Cities Manager  
 TPS Transportation Planner II - Performance  
 TPS Transportation Planner II - Mobility  
 TPS Transportation Planner I - Safety  
 Community & Economic Development Manager  
 TPS Administrative Assistant  
 Executive Assistant  
 IT Operations Specialist

**ENTITY**

Calumet  
 Cedar Valley  
 Choctaw  
 Cole  
 Del City  
 El Reno  
 Forest Park  
 Jones City  
 Midwest City  
 Mustang  
 Nicoma Park  
 Spencer  
 Tuttle  
 Union City  
 Yukon  
 Canadian County  
 Oklahoma County

**ENTITY**

Central Okla. Trans. & Parking (COTPA)  
 Norman Transit  
 Oklahoma City Airport Trust  
 Okla. Dept. of Transportation (ODOT) Mobility Div.  
 Oklahoma Transp. Commission Div. 3  
 Okla. Trans Commissioner (OTC) Div. 4  
 Okla. Trans Commissioner (OTC) Div. 7

**ENTITY**

Federal Aviation Administration  
 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)  
 Federal Transit Administration  
 Tinker Air Force Base



# MINUTES

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## A. CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Chair Glenn Berglan called the meeting to order at 1:26 p.m. A quorum was present. He welcomed all in attendance.

## B. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 27, 2025, MINUTES

Mayor Terry Arps moved to approve the March 27, 2025, minutes. Mayor Steven Gentling seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## C. CONSENT DOCKET: *For information only.*

1. Functional Classification Revisions for the ACOG Area: Lauren Wood, Transportation Planning Services (TPS) Transportation Planner II - Performance
2. Ozone Season Preview: Eric Pollard, Air Quality & Clean Cities Manager
3. Grant Opportunities: Ethan Mazzio, TPS Transportation Planner II - Mobility
4. Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Funding: John Sharp, Deputy Director

Mayor Peter Hoffman moved to approve that all items under the Consent Docket be considered in one vote. Councilmember Kathy Griffith seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## D. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS THAT MAY REQUIRE ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

1. City of Guthrie's Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) – Safety Action Plan: John Sharp, Deputy Director and Dan Kassik, Planning Director, Guthrie

Dan Kassik gave a presentation to the committee which can be viewed here:  
<https://www.acogok.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/4-10-25-Guthrie-SS4A-Presentation.pdf>

2. Transportation News and Update Report: John Sharp, Deputy Director

### **Metropolitan Transportation Plan**

ACOG staff reviewed the 2050 proposal, and the items will be covered in the next ACOG Board meeting

### **Olsson**

ACOG staff is continuing coordination with Olsson on the Congestion Management Process. Staff is currently providing data to them for their analysis.

### **Long Range Transit Plan**

ACOG staff is getting ready for the next update; there will be a status update at the May ACOG MPO Policy Meeting.

### **Unified Planning Work Program**

Staff is developing the tasks and budget for FY 2026. We are coordinating with the local transit agencies staff, at multiple communities, and ODOT.

### **Northern Flyer Alliance**

Had a meeting with some of the representatives with Northern Flyer Alliance. There are

people in Kansas who are interested in the Amtrak link between Newton, Kansas and Oklahoma City.

#### **Air Quality Events**

This month Transportation Planning Services (TPS) staff participated in two events with the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences, Hudson College of Public Health. Eric Pollard and David Frick presented to an Environmental Health class on ACOG's air quality improvement initiatives and ACOG Regional Air Quality Plan.

#### **Children's Environmental Health Center**

Eric Pollard and David Frick participated in a kick-off event for the Center in U.S. Southern Great Plains, led by Oklahoma University College of Public Health professors. The Center's mission is to reduce school absences by mitigating respiratory stressors in classrooms across the state.

#### **Intertribal Transportation Associations**

Eric Pollard presented ACOG and Clean Cities collaboration opportunities at the Tribal Transportation Training in Guthrie. The event is supported by Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma, Pawnee Nation, Choctaw Nation, Absentee Shawnee Tribe, and the Oklahoma Tribal Transportation Council.

#### **ACOG**

We are reviewing some community engagement platforms to provide a more comprehensive way of communicating with the public, members, and partners.

#### **Traffic Congestion**

There is a handout of an article from News 9. The article describes poor road conditions, traffic congestion, safety issues, and the cost to residents.

### **E. NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **F. ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Presiding Chair Glenn Berglan adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

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# CONSENT DOCKET

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## ATTACHMENT C-1

### FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION REVISIONS FOR THE ACOG MPO AREA

**DATE:**

MAY 29, 2025

**FROM:**

**LAUREN WOOD**

Transportation Planner II - Performance  
Transportation Planning Services

**INFORMATION:**

ACOG received 1,517 suggested changes to the current road network. There were 834 of the suggestions that contained all the required information (street name, new functional classification type, Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) and AADT year.) From these segments, 335 suggestions were for new segments to become eligible for federal-aid highway funds. [Click on this link to access the Table](#) of the Functional Classification additions.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

For information only.



## ATTACHMENT C-2

**SUBJECT:**

**MESSAGE FOR RECIPIENTS OF U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FUNDING**

**DATE:**

MAY 29, 2025

**FROM:**

**JOHN SHARP**

Deputy Director

**INFORMATION:**

Recently, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation, Sean Duffy, released a memo clarifying and reaffirming pertinent legal requirements, outlining the Department's expectations, and providing a reminder of the responsibilities and the consequences of noncompliance with Federal law and the terms of the financial assistance agreements.

The correspondence from the Secretary of Transportation is attached.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

For information only.



THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20590

April 24, 2025

To All Recipients of U.S. Department of Transportation Funding:

The U.S. Department of Transportation (Department or DOT) distributes substantial Federal financial assistance for thousands of projects, programs, and activities operated or initiated by diverse entities, including but not limited to State and local governments. The Department administers this Federal financial assistance to support the development and maintenance of the Nation's transportation infrastructure, pursuant to statutory authority and in accordance with binding contractual agreements in the form of Federal financial assistance agreements, usually grants, cooperative agreements, and loans. Accordingly, I write to clarify and reaffirm pertinent legal requirements, to outline the Department's expectations, and to provide a reminder of your responsibilities and the consequences of noncompliance with Federal law and the terms of your financial assistance agreements. It is the policy of the Department to award and to continue to provide Federal financial assistance only to those recipients who comply with their legal obligations.

As recipients of such DOT funds, you have entered into legally enforceable agreements with the United States Government and are obligated to comply fully with all applicable Federal laws and regulations. These laws and regulations include the United States Constitution, Federal statutes, applicable rules, and public policy requirements, including, among others, those protecting free speech and religious liberty and those prohibiting discrimination and enforcing controls on illegal immigration. As Secretary of Transportation, I am responsible for ensuring recipients of DOT financial assistance are aware of and comply with all applicable legal obligations.

The Equal Protection principles of the Constitution prohibit State and Federal governmental entities from discriminating on the basis of protected characteristics, including race. Indeed, as the Supreme Court declared in *Students for Fair Admission, Inc. v. Harvard (SFFA)*, 600 U.S. 181, 206 (2023), "[t]he clear and central purpose of the Fourteenth Amendment was to eliminate all official state sources of invidious racial discrimination in the States." The Court further noted that "[o]ne of the principal reasons race is treated as a forbidden classification is that it demeans the dignity and worth of a person to be judged by ancestry instead of by his or her own merit and essential qualities." *Id.* at 220. In ruling that race-based admissions programs at universities violated the Equal Protection Clause, the Court made clear that discrimination based on race is, has been, and will continue to be unlawful, except in rare circumstances. *Id.* at 220-21. Similarly, sex-based classifications violate the Equal Protection Clause absent "exceedingly persuasive" justification. *See United States v. Virginia*, 518 U.S. 515, 533 (1996).



These constitutional principles are reinforced by the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination based on protected characteristics in the Federal funding and employment contexts in Title VI (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*) and Title VII (42 U.S.C. § 2000e-2), as well as the applicable non-discrimination clauses in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1973 (23 U.S.C. §§ 140 and 324 *et seq.*), the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 U.S.C. § 47123), and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.*).

Based on binding Supreme Court precedent and these Federal laws, DOT is prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, or religion in any of its programs or activities. Moreover, because DOT may not establish, induce, or endorse prohibited discrimination indirectly,<sup>1</sup> it must ensure that discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, or religion does not exist in the programs or activities it funds or financially assists.

These same principles apply to recipients of Federal financial assistance from DOT, as both a matter of Federal law and by virtue of contractual provisions governing receipt of DOT funding. Accordingly, DOT recipients are prohibited from engaging in discriminatory actions in their own policies, programs, and activities, including in administering contracts, and their employment practices.

Whether or not described in neutral terms, any policy, program, or activity that is premised on a prohibited classification, including discriminatory policies or practices designed to achieve so-called “diversity, equity, and inclusion,” or “DEI,” goals, presumptively violates Federal law. Recipients of DOT financial assistance must ensure that the personnel practices (including hiring, promotions, and terminations) within their organizations are merit-based and do not discriminate based on prohibited categories. Recipients are also precluded from allocating money received under DOT awards—such as through contracts or the provision of other benefits—based on suspect classifications. Any discriminatory actions in your policies, programs, and activities based on prohibited categories constitute a clear violation of Federal law and the terms of your grant agreements.

In addition, your legal obligations require cooperation generally with Federal authorities in the enforcement of Federal law, including cooperating with and not impeding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and other Federal offices and components of the Department of Homeland Security in the enforcement of Federal immigration law. DOT has noted reported instances where some recipients of Federal financial assistance have declined to cooperate with ICE investigations, have issued driver’s licenses to individuals present in the United States in violation of Federal immigration law, or have otherwise acted in a manner that impedes Federal law enforcement. Such actions undermine Federal sovereignty in the enforcement of immigration law, compromise the safety and security of the transportation systems supported by DOT

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<sup>1</sup> See *SFFA*, 600 U.S. at 230; *Norwood v. Harrison*, 413 U.S. 455, 465 (1973).



financial assistance, and prioritize illegal aliens over the safety and welfare of the American people whose Federal taxes fund DOT's financial assistance programs.

Under the Constitution, Federal law is "the supreme Law of the Land." U.S. Const. Art. VI. That means that where Federal and State legal requirements conflict, States and State entities must follow Federal law. Declining to cooperate with the enforcement of Federal immigration law or otherwise taking action intended to shield illegal aliens from ICE detection contravenes Federal law and may give rise to civil and criminal liability. *See* 8 U.S.C. § 1324 and 8 U.S.C. § 1373. Accordingly, DOT expects its recipients to comply with Federal law enforcement directives and to cooperate with Federal officials in the enforcement of Federal immigration law. The Department also expects its recipients to ensure that the Federal financial assistance they receive from DOT is provided only to subrecipients, businesses, or service providers that are U.S. Citizens or U.S. Nationals and Lawful Permanent Residents (LPRs) or legal entities allowed to do business in the U.S. and which do not employ illegal aliens.

This letter provides notice of the Department's existing interpretation of Federal law. The Department will vigorously enforce the law on equal terms as to all its recipients and intends to take appropriate measures to assess their compliance based on the interpretation of Federal law set forth in this letter. Adherence to your legal obligations is a prerequisite for receipt of DOT financial assistance. Noncompliance with applicable Federal laws, or failure to cooperate generally with Federal authorities in the enforcement of Federal law, will jeopardize your continued receipt of Federal financial assistance from DOT and could lead to a loss of Federal funding from DOT.

The Department retains authority, pursuant to its oversight responsibilities and the terms of your agreements, to initiate enforcement actions, such as comprehensive audits and possible recovery of funds expended in a manner contrary to the terms of the funding agreement. DOT may also terminate funding in response to substantiated breaches of the terms of the agreement, or if DOT determines that continued funding is no longer in the public interest. These steps, within DOT's discretion, are intended to ensure accountability and protect the integrity of Federal programs.

To assist grant recipients in meeting their legal obligations, DOT offers technical guidance and support through its program offices. Should you require clarification regarding your obligations, you are encouraged to contact your designated DOT representative promptly. Proactive engagement is strongly advised to prevent inadvertent noncompliance.

DOT remains committed to advancing a transportation system that serves the public interest efficiently and unleashes economic prosperity and a superior quality of life for American families. This mission depends upon your strict adherence to the legal framework governing our partnership, and I trust you will take all necessary steps to comply with Federal law and satisfy your legal obligations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S.P. Duffy', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sean P. Duffy



## ATTACHMENT C-3

### **SUBJECT:** **GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**DATE:**  
MAY 29, 2025

**FROM:**  
**ETHAN MAZZIO**  
Transportation Planner II - Mobility  
Transportation Planning Services

### **INFORMATION:**

ACOG continues to provide information to members and committees on available grants in Central Oklahoma. Below is information on a few open grant opportunities in the region.

#### **Legacy Grants – Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET)**

- Application window closes June 16, 2025. Minimum award amount \$3 million.
- One-time funding opportunity designed to address Oklahoma's leading causes of death – cancer and cardiovascular disease – by funding large-scale, transformational projects in areas such as rural health and quality of life improvements.
- Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and municipal, county, and tribal governments.
- To access the informational webinar and follow-up Q&A, visit:  
<https://oklahoma.gov/tset/funding-opportunities/tset-legacy-grants.html#web>

#### **Hometown Grants Program – T-Mobile & Main Street America**

- Summer application window closes June 30, 2025. Fall application window opens July 1.
- Award amounts up to \$50,000. No match required. Projects must be able to be executed within 12 months of receiving funds.
- Applicant communities must have a population <50,000.
- Eligible projects include shovel-ready community revitalization projects, revitalizing or repurposing historic structures, or creating or improving public assets in downtowns.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.t-mobile.com/brand/hometown-grants>

#### **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program – U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT)**

- The SS4A grant program supports planning, infrastructural, behavioral, and operational initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on roads and streets involving all roadway users.
- Maximum 80% federal cost share. The application deadline is June 26, 2025.
- Planning and demonstration grant funding may be used to develop a safety action plan; or for supplemental planning or demonstration activities, such as feasibility studies, development of complementary plans, or new technology pilot programs. Implementation grant funding may be used to implement roadway safety projects identified in an existing action plan, such as intersection improvements, traffic-calming, and safe routes to schools strategies.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A>

**ACTION REQUESTED:** For information only.



## ATTACHMENT C-4

### **SUBJECT:**

**PROJECTS IN THE ACOG MPO TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA (TMA)**

### **DATE:**

MAY 29, 2025

### **FROM:**

**LAUREN WOOD**

Transportation Planner II – Performance  
Transportation Planning Services

### **INFORMATION:**

Information on the status of projects, as provided by the ODOT Local Government Division May 2025, can be seen at the following link:

- [All programmed ACOG MPO area Surface Transportation Block Grant - Urbanized Area \(STBG-UZA\) projects](#)
- [Transportation Alternatives Program \(TAP\) projects](#)
- [Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act \(CRRSAA\) projects](#)

Regarding the colors shown in the tables: generally, green means that the project is on schedule, yellow means the project is progressing slowly, and red means that the project did not meet an intermediate date.

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### **FYI**

Please note that following the ACOG MPO Technical Committee meeting in the Oklahoma Board Room, there was discussion of the STBG-UZA, TAP, and CRRSAA projects with ODOT Local Government staff, who provided a quarterly update.

**All project sponsors were required to attend.**

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

For information only.

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# REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS THAT MAY REQUIRE ACOG MPO POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

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## ATTACHMENT D-1

### **SUBJECT:**

**CITY OF NORMAN PROJECT SWAP ON LINDSEY STREET**

### **DATE:**

**MAY 29, 2025**

### **FROM:**

**JOHN SHARP**

Deputy Director

### **INFORMATION**

The City of Norman received Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding for two projects on Lindsey Street. These two projects are adjacent to the University of Oklahoma campus and are contiguous projects. The projects are funded with FY 2026 and FY 2028 funds.

Lindsey Street – Elm to Jenkins received \$4,178,579 in federal funds for FY 2026

Lindsey Street – Pickard to Elm received \$5,575,572 in federal funds for FY 2028

The City of Norman is requesting to swap two projects on Lindsey Street from one federal funding year to another. The federal funds would stay in the fiscal years that were designated by Norman and the ACOG MPO Policy Committee previously.

The reasons for this request are as follows:

- The improvements at Elm Avenue have come in more costly than initially estimated, so the Elm to Jenkins Project is significantly over budget. The opposite situation is true for Pickard to Elm where the costs are lower than expected.
- At a recent coordination meeting with University of Oklahoma staff, Norman learned that there is a football stadium upgrade project scheduled for 2027. Asp Avenue will have some major disruptions, which would in turn have some impact on the Elm Avenue to Jenkins Avenue construction.
- The Jenkins Avenue widening just south of Lindsey Street is currently underway. Delaying the Elm to Jenkins project until FY 2028 would provide less disruption to this campus area.

Please see attached email and diagram for additional information on the projects. **The ACOG MPO Technical Committee recommended approval.**

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Motion to allow the City of Norman to swap two projects on Lindsey Street from one federal funding year to another. The federal funds would stay in the fiscal years that were designated by Norman and the ACOG MPO Policy Committee previously.



## EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

The attachment helps illustrate what I would like to request of ACOG. Currently Lindsey Street – Elm to Jenkins received \$4,178,579 in federal funds for FY 2026 and Lindsey Street – Pickard to Elm received \$5,575,572 in federal funds for FY 2028. I am requesting to swap these two projects funds and fiscal years so that Lindsey Street – Pickard to Elm would be constructed two years earlier in FY 2026 utilizing the same \$4,178,579 in federal funds allocated for FY 2026 while the Lindsey Street – Elm to Jenkins project would be constructed two years later in FY 2028 utilizing the same \$5,575,572 in federal funds allocated for FY 2028.

There are both financial and scheduling reasons for these requests. Financially, the City overmatch is better balanced between the two projects with the fund/fiscal year swap proposed above. The desired improvements at Elm Avenue is more costly than initially estimated so the Elm to Jenkins Project is significantly over budget. If the larger amount of federal funds allocated in FY 2028 were allocated to this project, the overmatch will be reduced as shown in the attached document. The opposite situation is true for Pickard to Elm. The cost estimates are a little under the preliminary estimate so the City may not fully expend all of the federal funds. As a result, swapping the funds between projects would be financially beneficial for the City of Norman.

The scheduling reasons are entirely related to coordinating other projects on University of Oklahoma campus. City staff do their best to coordinate with OU on infrastructure projects located on campus. At a recent coordination meeting with university staff, we learned that OU has a football stadium upgrade project scheduled for 2027. The improvements will consist of a major upgrade to the west side of the stadium. All material deliveries and demolition removals will utilize Asp Avenue, which falls within the Elm to Jenkins project limits. This stadium construction will at a minimum affect the phasing of the project within the vicinity of Asp Avenue because this street dead ends north of Lindsey Street so there is no way to avoid Lindsey Street with stadium truck traffic. We also anticipate additional wear and tear to this project due to heavy turning truck traffic at the Lindsey Street/Asp Avenue intersection.

OU has also requested that the Lindsey Street- Elm to Jenkins project not start construction until after the Jenkins Widening project has been completed, which will likely be spring/summer of 2027. We realistically could have several months of overlap if the Lindsey Street - Elm to Jenkins stays in the FY 2026 award list.

For the above reasons, we are requesting the above mentioned project swap.

Thanks.



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# DIAGRAM

## Current Scenario

### Elm to Jenkins

FY26 Federal Funds- \$4,178,579  
 Const. Estimate- \$7.6-\$8.7 million  
 OU Stadium Project during FY26  
 Significant City Overmatch \$2.4-3.5M  
 OU requests delay to finish Jenkins first

Proposed  
 Changes

### Pickard to Elm

FY28 Federal Funds- \$5,575,572  
 Const. Estimate- \$6.0-\$6.8 million  
 May leave some Fed Funds unspent

## Result

### Elm to Jenkins

FY28 Federal Funds- \$5,575,572  
 Const. Estimate- \$7.6-\$8.7 million  
 Misses OU Stadium Project  
 \$600k to \$1.7 million Overmatch  
 Jenkins completed before start

### Pickard to Elm

FY26 Federal Funds- \$4,178,579  
 Const. Estimate- \$6.0-\$6.8 million  
 Utilizes 100% Federal Funds  
 \$880k to \$1 million overmatch





## ATTACHMENT D-2

### **SUBJECT:**

**CENTRAL OKLAHOMA LONG RANGE TRANSIT PLAN UPDATE**

### **DATE:**

MAY 29, 2025

### **FROM:**

**JOHN SHARP**

Deputy Director

### **INFORMATION:**

Embark, Oklahoma City MAPS4, and ACOG are project leaders for the Central Oklahoma Long Range Transit Plan. This is the first major regional comprehensive transit plan since the Fixed Guideway Study was completed in 2005. The project will include an evaluation of past studies, the current system, workshops, presentations to boards and committees, and the public engagement process. For more information, please access the website at [www.ConnectCentralOk.com](http://www.ConnectCentralOk.com).

This planning effort has produced a draft transit vision that identifies new transit services and modifications to existing transit services to leverage the benefits of high-capacity transit investments over the next 30 years. This will be presented at the May Policy Committee meeting.

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

For information only.



## ATTACHMENT D-3

### **SUBJECT:**

**THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE ACOG MPO  
POLICY COMMITTEE**

### **DATE:**

MAY 29, 2025

### **FROM:**

**JOHN SHARP**  
Deputy Director

### **INFORMATION:**

The Town of Washington has requested to join the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) MPO Policy Committee. Please refer to the attached Resolution.

The Town of Washington is currently within the MPO boundary and would like to be more involved with the regional transportation planning and associated committees that will assist them. ACOG staff recommends an affirmative vote to admit the Town of Washington to the Policy Committee. They would officially join the Committee effective June 1, 2025.

### **ACTION REQUESTED:**

Motion to approve the Town of Washington request for membership on the ACOG MPO Policy Committee.

25-5.1

A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
ACOG METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)  
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG), as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) designated by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma for the Oklahoma City Metropolitan Area, is responsible for the operation and maintenance of a comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation planning process designed to prepare and adopt transportation plans and programs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Washington is located within the ACOG Transportation Management Area, known as the ACOG MPO area; and

WHEREAS, the ACOG MPO Policy Committee (PC) provides for involvement by local elected officials and the ACOG MPO Technical Committee (TC) provides for involvement by technical staff of area local governments and other governmental and transportation agencies in the metropolitan transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the metropolitan transportation planning process is financed through a combination of federal planning funds and local matching funds provided through local government membership dues; and

WHEREAS, members of the ACOG Metropolitan Planning Organization are afforded various services, including participation in the transportation planning process, data sharing, mapping, and eligibility to seek federal transportation funding provided to the MPO;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Washington formally requests to participate in the transportation planning process for the ACOG MPO Transportation Management Area by becoming a member of the Metropolitan Planning Organization of the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments.

Approved this 13 day of May, 2025.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

Kathy Besh  
Town Clerk

