



ASSOCIATION OF
CENTRAL OKLAHOMA
GOVERNMENTS

AREAWIDE PLANNING & TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA: THURSDAY
MAY 14, 2026
9 A.M.

Association of Central Oklahoma Governments
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THE ACOG AREAWIDE PLANNING AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A REGULAR MEETING ON THURSDAY, MAY 14, 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) by 9 a.m. Monday, May 11, if you require accommodations pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

AGENDA

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

B. APPROVAL OF MARCH 12, 2026, MINUTES ([ATTACHMENT B](#))

C. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

1. 2026 ACOG Complete Streets Policy Update: Joel Dixon, TPS Special Projects Coordinator ([ATTACHMENT C-1](#)) *Review and comment.*
2. Building Permit Fees Survey: John Sharp, Deputy Director ([ATTACHMENT C-2](#)) *For information only.*
3. Grant Opportunities: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III – Mobility ([ATTACHMENT C-3](#)) *For information only.*
4. Utility Providers Operating in Public Right-of-Way: Ethan Mazzio, Transportation Planner III - Mobility ([ATTACHMENT C-4](#)) *Review and comment.*

D. NEW BUSINESS

E. ADJOURN

DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER APTAC AGENDA ITEMS:

Thursday, August 27, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

NEXT APTAC MEETING:

Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

ATTACHMENT A

AREAWIDE PLANNING & TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CHAIR: DAVID RUSSELL (Mustang)		VICE-CHAIR: DAN KASSIK (Guthrie)
VOTING MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
BETHANY	Amanda McCellon Dir. of Planning & Community Development	Vacant
BLANCHARD	Dustin Downey Capital Projects Manager	Hayden Wilkes City Planner
		Daniel Ofsthun Finance Director
CALUMET	Bruce Wallace Director of Operations	Vacant
CEDAR VALLEY	No Designee	Vacant
CHOCTAW	Tonya Marti Development Service Director	Cameron Veal City Planner
		Stuart Drake City Manager
COLE	No Designee	Vacant
DEL CITY	Andrew Meyers City Planner	Kyle Gandy Development Director
EDMOND	Sean Wallace Associate Planner	Hannah Nolen Long-range Planner
EL RENO	Emily Richey Planning & Development Serv. Mgr.	Tim Young Assistant City Manager
		Matt Sandidge City Manager
FOREST PARK	No Designee	Vacant
GOLDSBY	Ronny Nelson Public Works Director	Vacant
GUTHRIE	Dan Kassik Planning Director	Vacant
HARRAH	Gary Bolling City Planner	
JONES CITY	No Designee	Vacant
LEXINGTON	No Designee	Vacant
LUTHER	Hon. William Terry Arps Trustee/Mayor	Rian Harkins Town Manager
MIDWEST CITY	Julie Shannon Planner III	Vacant
		Matt Summers Director of Planning & Zoning

VOTING MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES (CONT.)		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
MOORE	No Designee	Elizabeth Weitman Community Development Director
MUSTANG	David Russell Project & Stormwater Manager	Nic Bailey Parks & Recreation Director
NEWCASTLE	Janay Greenlee Planning & Comm. Dev. Director	vacant
NICHOLS HILLS	No Designee	Vacant
NICOMA PARK	No Designee	Vacant
NOBLE	Robert Porton City Manager	Michael Glessner City Planner
NORMAN	Destiny Andrews Planner II	Anais Starr Planner II
OKLAHOMA CITY	Sasha Tepedelenova McCrone Senior Planner	Justin Henry Program Planner
PIEDMONT	No Designee	Vacant
SLAUGHTERVILLE	No Designee	Vacant
SPENCER	No Designee	Vacant
TUTTLE	Mark Mathes Community Development Manager	Vacant
THE VILLAGE	Ken Nelson Planning Director	Vacant
WARR ACRES	No Designee	Vacant
WASHINGTON	No Designee	Vacant
YUKON	Danielle O'Neal Development Services Director	Vacant
UNION CITY	No Designee	Vacant
CANADIAN COUNTY	No Designee	Hon. Tomas Manske Commissioner
		Hon. Tracey Rider Commissioner
CLEVELAND COUNTY	Hon. Rod Cleveland Commissioner	Brian Wint Project Manager
		John Roberts Deputy Commissioner
		Mark Braley Deputy Commissioner
LOGAN COUNTY	Hon. Mark Sharpton Commissioner	Hon. Monty Piearcy Commissioner
OKLAHOMA COUNTY	Erik Brandt Principal Planner	Vacant
	Scott March GIS Coordinator	

NON-VOTING MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES		
CITY/ORGANIZATION	MEMBERS	ALTERNATES
AREAWIDE AGING AGENCY	No Designee	Vacant
CAPITOL-MEDICAL ZONING COMMISSION	Casey Jones Assistant Planner	Vacant
CENTRAL OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING AUTHORITY (COTPA)	Chip Nolen Planning Manager	Marty Dickens Grants Coordinator
CITY OF NORMAN - TRANSIT	Jason Huff Transit Planner & Grants Specialist	Taylor Johnson Transit & Parking Program Manager
METRO FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL	Mary Dulan Executive Director	Vacant
OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	No Designee	Vacant
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE	Steven Rhodes Community Planner	Vacant

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SUBJECT:

MINUTES OF THE AREAWIDE PLANNING & TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

DATE:

MARCH 12, 2026

A regular meeting of the Areawide Planning & Technical Advisory Committee was convened at 9 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 2026 at the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments in the Oklahoma Board Room, 4205 N. Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held, as indicated, by advance notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk and by notice posted at the ACOG offices at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

PRESIDING

David Russell, Chair

ENTITY/AGENCY

Mustang

APTAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Cameron Veal
Andrew Meyers
Kyle Gandy
Sean Wallace
Emily Richey
Dan Kassik
Sasha Tepedelenova McCrone
Justin Henry
Erik Brandt

ENTITY/AGENCY

Choctaw
Del City
Del City
Edmond
El Reno
Guthrie
Oklahoma City
Oklahoma City
Oklahoma County

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

None

ENTITY/AGENCY

GUESTS PRESENT

Bailey Breen, Grant Specialist
Jan Fees, Planner
Jordan Evans, Associate Planner
Kelley Deatherge, City Planner
Ken Nelson
Cailyn Prather, Stormwater Planning Mgr.

ENTITY

Cleveland County
Edmond
Halff & Associates
Piedmont
The Village
Yukon

ACOG STAFF PRESENT

John Sharp
Jennifer Sebesta
Eric Pollard
David Frick
Lauren Wood
Ethan Mazzio
Phil Moll
Sharon Astrin
Gwendolyn Gordon

POSITION

Deputy Director
Division Manager
Air Quality & Clean Cities Manager
TPS Air Quality & Clean Cities Planner III
TPS Transportation Planner III - Performance
TPS Transportation Planner III - Mobility
TPS Transportation Planner II - Active Trans.
Community & Economic Development Manager
TPS Administrative Assistant

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair David Russell called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. A quorum was present.

B. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 13, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Dan Kassik moved to approve the November 13, 2025, minutes. Andrew Meyers seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

1. 2026 Bike Month

Ethan Mazzio highlighted the information provided in the agenda memorandum. For more information about Bike Month in Central Oklahoma visit: <https://bikemonthok.org/>

2. 2025 Residential Commercial Building Permit Request

John Sharp said ACOG is requesting 2025 building permit data from members to support ongoing regional transportation planning efforts. GIS files are preferred but Excel files will be accepted. John asked that the data be submitted by Friday, April 10, 2026.

3. Grant Opportunities

Ethan Mazzio highlighted the information provided in the agenda memorandum. Community Assistance Projects – OU Institute of Quality Communities (IQC) for more information, visit: <https://iqc.ou.edu/2026/02/15/ou-iqc-invites-community-assistance-project-proposals/>

Hometown Grants Program – T-Mobile & Main Street America For more information, visit: <https://www.t-mobile.com/brand/hometown-grants>

Healthy Incentives Grants for Communities – Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust (TSET) For more information, please visit: <https://oklahoma.gov/tset/funding-opportunities/tset-healthy-incentive-grants-communities.html>

John Sharp said there is legislation at the state level to modify TSET. He advised the committee to contact your local legislators.

4. Central Oklahoma City Code Update Public Meeting

David Russell highlighted the information provided in the agenda memorandum. Mr. Russell asked who attended the meeting and if they had any feedback. Justin Henry said there was good attendance and Oklahoma City is doing a lot of testing of their codes to figure out what they missed.

John Sharp said you cannot treat your whole city the same. This update is looking toward the older part of the city. He suggested that zoning is adaptable based on the location in the community end and the density of the land use.

Additional information about the Central Oklahoma City Code Update Public Meeting can be found online at <https://vision.okc.gov/code-update/code-update-public-meeting>. Information and updates about Oklahoma City's overall code update can be found online at <https://vision.okc.gov/code-update>.

5. Discussion of Zoning Code Updates in ACOG Municipalities

Ethan Mazzio highlighted the information provided in the agenda memorandum. He turned the meeting over to Dan Kassik with the City of Guthrie who gave a presentation

on Guthrie's 2025 Zoning Code Update. The presentation can be viewed here:
<https://www.acogok.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Zoning-Code-Presentation-ACOG-3-12-26.pptx>

6. Preliminary 2050 ACOG Transportation Management Area (TMA) County and City Population Projections Update.

John Sharp said ACOG has updated the 2050 Population and Employment Projections for our transportation management area. He said Blanchard and Newcastle wanted modifications to their population totals. Mr. Sharp went over Tables 1 and 2 with the committee.

D. UPDATE FROM MEMBERS:

None

E. NEW BUSINESS:

None

F. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.



SUBJECT:

2026 ACOG COMPLETE STREETS POLICY UPDATE

DATE:

MAY 14, 2026

FROM:

JOEL DIXON, PE, MRCP, MPA

Special Projects Coordinator
Transportation Planning Services

INFORMATION:

In January 2026, ACOG staff began reviewing the Complete Streets Policy to update it. The current ACOG Complete Streets Policy was adopted in 2021.

The significant revisions were made in accordance with the following purpose: 1) to bring ACOG's policy into alignment with the 2023 Complete Streets Policy Framework by Smart Growth America and the National Complete Streets Coalition, and 2) to update ACOG's policy with current state-of-the-practice knowledge and understanding. Minor edits to update references and Internet links and to improve grammar, syntax, punctuation, and clarity were also included in this update, however, this memorandum highlights only the significant changes made to the ACOG Complete Streets Policy.

The 2026 update includes the following:

- Elaborating on the Complete Streets vision for Central Oklahoma by specifying the applicable modes - including biking, walking, transit, and driving - and emphasizing the creation of complete, connected networks for all modes.
- Expands on the policy's goals to include land-use considerations that increase accessibility and seek to address congestion.
- Clarifying the policy's applicability to all ACOG-sponsored projects within the ACOG MPO Transportation Management Area (TMA).
- Updating to design language that demonstrates a commitment to Complete Streets principles, incorporates surrounding land-use context, and reflects the latest state-of-the-practice.
- Specifying exceptions to the policy as explicitly outlined by Smart Growth America and the National Complete Streets Coalition in accordance with FHWA guidance on accommodating bicycle and pedestrian travel.
- Clearly defining the distinction between a street and a road.
- Clarifying the policy's applicability requirements to include multimodal accommodations during construction and repair activities and consideration of right-of-way width and its impact on crossing distance.
- Updating design language that prioritizes the safety of all street users first and foremost and emphasizes the Safe Speed Study methodology for street design as well as the importance of network principles and design user profiles to create safe, comfortable, and connected facilities for all street users.

- Updating and expanding the design guidelines referenced within the policy.
- Adding performance measures relevant to the updated Complete Streets vision and goals.

These updates are provided to the Technical Committee for review and comment. Please provide any written comments regarding the [2026 ACOG Complete Streets Policy Update](#) to Joel Dixon at jdixon@acogok.org by **Thursday, June 11, 2026**. The final 2026 ACOG Complete Streets Policy will be brought to this committee for approval in August.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Review and comment.



SUBJECT:
BUILDING PERMIT FEES SURVEY

DATE:
MAY 14, 2026

FROM:
JOHN SHARP
Deputy Director

INFORMATION:

Periodically, ACOG conducts a building permit fees survey to determine the costs of residential and business permits throughout the region. This information is vital to ACOG's long-range planning process.

To submit current building permit fee information for your community, please update the 2021 tabs on the building permit fee spreadsheet and return to Gwen Gordon at ggordon@acogok.org by Wednesday, June 26, 2026. Please feel free to include additional components associated with each permitting process that are not listed in the spreadsheet.

The building permit fee spreadsheet is available for download at: <https://www.acogok.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Building-Permit-Fees-Survey-2026.xls>

ACTION REQUESTED:
For information only.



ATTACHMENT C-3

SUBJECT:
GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

DATE:
MAY 14, 2026

FROM:
ETHAN MAZZIO
Transportation Planner III - Mobility

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.

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) – Department of Transportation (USDOT)

- Application deadline Tuesday, May 26, 2026. Requests for pre-application eligibility review for implementation grants must have been submitted by April 24, 2026.
- Eligible applicants include school districts, institutions of higher education, and Tribal, county, and local governments.
- **Planning & Demonstration grants** support developing or updating comprehensive safety action plans or complementary safety plans, conducting roadway safety audits, conducting feasibility studies involving quick-build strategies, and pilot programs for behavioral or operational activities. Award amounts range between \$100,000-\$5,000,000.
- **Implementation grants** support installation of low-cost roadway and intersection treatments such as signage, pavement markings, rumble strips, and lane width alterations; pedestrian safety enhancements such as sidewalks, trails, and raised crosswalks; as well as safety demonstration activities and supplemental safety planning. Award amounts range between \$2,500,000-\$25,000,000.
- Grant priorities have been updated since the FY 2025 SS4A program cycle. For more information, visit: <https://www.transportation.gov/grants/SS4A>

Preservation Funds Grant Program – National Trust for Historic Preservation

- Application deadline June 1, 2026.
- Award amounts range between \$2,500-\$5,000. 1:1 match required.
- Program encourages local preservation work by supporting planning technical assistance, public engagement, and historic preservation education.
- Eligible applicants include public agencies and nonprofit organizations.
- Eligible activities include planning initiatives such as historic structure reports, historic district design guidelines, and economic feasibility of reuse of threatened structures; and education and outreach initiatives such as public programming, conference sessions, and speaker fees. Land/property acquisition and construction activities are not eligible.
- For more information, visit: <https://savingplaces.org/preservation-funds>

Parks & Public Space Initiative – Oklahoma City Community Foundation

- Deadline to submit letter of intent Thursday, June 4, 2026.
- Maximum award amount of \$40,000. Match is required; may include in-kind match such as donated materials or volunteer labor.
- Projects must be located within the bounds of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, Cleveland County, or Canadian County.
- Initiative supports community stewardship and utilization of parks, trails, and other public spaces by funding physical improvements like landscaping, pollinator gardens, shade trees, signage, and other beautification projects.
- Eligible entities include neighborhood or community groups connected to parks, schools, and other public spaces; 501(c)(3) nonprofit agencies, and state, local, and city-connected agencies.
- First-time applicants for this grant are encouraged to contact Lanc Gross, AICP, Community Programs Manager, at l.gros@occf.org. For more information, visit: <https://occf.org/communitygrants/parks/>

Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) – U.S. Federal Railway Administration (FRA)

- Application deadline Monday, June 22, 2026.
- There are no minimum or maximum award amounts for the program. Maximum federal share for project costs shall not exceed 80%.
- A total of \$2.04 billion is made available under the FY25-26 CRISI Program. A minimum of \$532.5 million, or 25%, shall be dedicated to serve rural areas.
- Program supports improved safety, efficiency, and reliability of intercity passenger and freight rail by funding rail line relocation or improvement projects; preparation of regional rail and corridor service development plans; enhanced multimodal connections to local roads and non-rail transit; workforce development and training activities; development and implementation of safety programs or institutes; and other activities.
- Following merit review, selection preference will be given to projects that improve the infrastructure, safety, technology, and other elements of short line and regional railroads; that enhance the experience of traveling families through amenities improvements; and that address intermodal freight mobility and/or freight bottlenecks.
- For more information, and to review the notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), visit: <https://simpler.grants.gov/opportunity/89379503-142e-48b6-a4b5-7fb37ed26f51>

ACTION REQUESTED:

For information only.



ATTACHMENT C-4

SUBJECT:

UTILITY PROVIDERS OPERATING IN PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

DATE:

MAY 16, 2026

FROM:

ETHAN MAZZIO

Transportation Planner III - Mobility

INFORMATION

Communities and public utility providers have worked together for decades to enhance resident access to utilities through the installation of infrastructure like suspended electricity and telephone lines. Certain activities, such as the installation of underground natural gas line and fiber optic internet cable, require public utility providers to excavate land, bore into sidewalk pads or street pavement, or otherwise operate in the public right of way, in order to complete the installation. Such interventions carry the potential to disturb surface conditions, interrupt the provision of existing utility services, temporarily limit residents' freedom of travel along sidewalks and streets, and cause damage to existing underground structures, such as water or sewer lines, and other critical public infrastructure.

Oklahoma statute generally grants public utility providers lawfully operating in the State of Oklahoma the right to use public roads, highways, right-of-way, and pertinent easements for the purposes of erecting poles and posts, attaching equipment, connecting wires and fixtures; or laying pipes and conduits under the surface. Additionally, public utilities are obligated to completely repair or replace any damage, injury or other change to public rights of way of the state, counties, or municipalities that would inconvenience or endanger the public due to the installation of public utilities.

Local governments across Central Oklahoma attempt to track and manage these activities in a number of ways. Before working in the right-of-way in the City of El Reno or the City of Guthrie, for example, utility providers are required to apply for a right-of-way construction permit, wherein they must describe the intended activities, identify primary and subcontractors, submit technical drawings, and pay fees and bonds in proportion to the expected number of pavement cuts or other interventions. Similar permitting processes exist for activities to be conducted in ODOT and federal right-of-way. Additionally, municipalities often enter into direct agreements with individual utility companies – typically franchise or right of way agreements – for the provision of such services in a specific area.

A number of factors, including a significant population growth outlook for the Central Oklahoma region, state initiatives to expand broadband access, and the rising presence of data centers in the region underscore the importance of establishing and maintaining structured relationships between communities and public utility providers. At the May meeting, members are invited to discuss their experiences with public utility providers and installation of utilities in the public right-of-way.

For more information on public utility providers and operating in the public right-of-way, access the following resources:

- Oklahoma Statutes Title 69, Section 1401. Use of highways, rights-of-way and easements by public utility or cable television system: <https://law.justia.com/codes/oklahoma/title-69/section-69-1401/>
- Oklahoma Broadband Office (OBO) projects dashboard: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/6157d923846e4a199e4b88e515192cdf/>
- Federal Communications Commission (FCC) National Broadband Map: <https://broadbandmap.fcc.gov/home?version=jun2025>
- Local permit examples:
 - City of Guthrie Right-of-Way Construction Permit: <https://www.cityofguthrie.com/formsandpermits#occdrw>
 - City of El Reno Right-of-Way Construction Permit: <https://www.elrenook.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1066/Rights-of-Way-Construction-Permit-6-13-2025>

ACTION REQUESTED:

Review and comment.