

MPO Policy Committee Summary Minutes June 24, 2025 Meeting

City Commission Chambers (City Hall, 1001 College Street)

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bowling Green Mayor Todd Alcott Warren County Judge-Executive Doug Gorman Ben Hunt, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet District 3

MPO STAFF PRESENT

Ben Peterson Rachel Hurt Carroll Duckworth

Warren County Judge-Executive Doug Gorman called the MPO Policy Committee to order.

- 1. Roll Call A roll call was conducted in order to determine a quorum; quorum was determined with all members present.
- 2. Approval of Summary Minutes There was no discussion regarding the April 29, 2025 meeting minutes. Mayor Todd Alcott made a motion, seconded by Ben Hunt, to approve the April 29, 2025 minutes. All in favor, so approved.
- 3. New Business Carroll Duckworth presented the following items for approval:
 - a) <u>Approved:</u> Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Amendment #3 This amendment reflects the addition of two projects to build EV charging stations. Pending approval, submission to be made to KYTC for processing. https://www.warrenpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/BWG-2024-2028-TIP-Admin-3-DRAFT-6-3-25.pdf Mayor Todd Alcott made a motion to approve, seconded by Ben Hunt, to approve the April 29, 2025 minutes. All in favor, so approved.
 - b) <u>Approved:</u> Release of 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Draft for 30 day public review and comment period. https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/237e069900624f41b2be709ad2dbc0bd Mayor Todd Alcott made a motion to approve, seconded by Ben Hunt, to approve the April 29, 2025 minutes. All in favor, so approved.
 - c) <u>Approved:</u> 2025 Transportation Asset Plan (TAM) Resolution TAM targets are provided and proposed by the City through the city's transit contractor, RATP Dev. Mayor Todd Alcott made a motion to approve, seconded by Ben Hunt, to approve the April 29, 2025 minutes. All in favor, so approved.
- 4. Working Items Carroll Duckworth provided the following updates:
 - a) SHIFT Nine (9) projects determined at the 3/24/25 TAC meeting were submitted for sponsorship. Projects are now being scored and will be returned to TAC for boosting which is planned for the next TAC meeting. KYTC D3 will have made the boosting picks before the meeting so double boost can be made if desired.
 - b) City of Bowling Green and WKU transit merger study has been extended for additional tasks.
 - c) The League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly applications:
 - i) Business CCPC name a silver level Bicycle Friendly Business (11th in Kentucky)
 - ii) Community (Bowling Green) Progress continues on application (due 6/25/25).
 - d) BG2050 Vision -over 7,890 residents weighed in 1,034,868 times. Results were revealed on 04/14/25. See https://report.whatcouldbgbe.com/ for results and next steps.
 - e) The next MPO quarterly newsletter publishes on 7/11/25.
 - f) Title VI Plan
 - i) 2025 Title VI plan draft submitted to Office of Civil Rights and Small Business Development

- ii) Update submitted to KYTC planning for inclusion in state summary.
- iii) Title VI training completed for CCPC staff
- g) Smart Growth America Complete Streets Academy Kentucky has been picked to participate to work with Smart Growth America for a Complete Streets Academy Program. Bowling Green is one of three cities selected to participate in quick build projects (around \$22,000/city). Two projects targeted: 1.) Smallhouse/Covington and Broadway/Scottsville Intersection 2.) Morgantown Rd. on inbound side from Wal-Mart entrance (Festival Drive) to where sidewalk begins. More information: https://www.warrenpc.org/mpo/resources/#Quick Build. Work is on pending arrival of funds.
- h) A decision was made not to proceed with the Safe Street For All (SS4A) grant opportunity. Deadline is 6/26/25.
- i) BikeWalkBG participating in a Study Advisory Committee for a Kentucky Transportation Ctr. research project to study collecting bike/ped data counts. Counting devices are being tested in another market. If successful, Bowling Green may be a future recipient of counting devices.
- j) BikeWalkBG Marketing Campaign being conducted by CrowdSouth to increase social media reach and improve website.
- k) AARP Community Challenge Grant MPO in conjunction with the City of Bowling Green and GoBG Transit applied for approx. \$20K in funding to place seats at select bus stop locations. Award Denied.
- I) Adopt-A-Trail greenway sponsors update; Approximately 20 trials have been adopted.
- m) Conducted School Bike Education Program at four (4) area schools last fall and four (4) this spring. Reaching approx. 1,000 students. Gearing up for the fall.
- n) Participated in Duncan Hines days planning. Organized and hosted three (3) BikeWalkBG events: Ride n' Dine Community Bike Ride; Stoll & Roll Parade; Noon Cake Walk
- o) Conducted BikeWalkBG Community Bike Rodeo at Summer Reading Kickoff held at Ephraim White Park, over 200 children participated. Thanks to CCPC staff, County Parks, and volunteers.
- p) Upcoming Events:
 - Every Friday Walking Club, 12 Noon, Fountain Square
 - Tuesday, 6/24/25 International Communities Advisory Council Bike Rodeo
 - Thursday, 6/26/25 (Rain Date 6/27/25) BikeWalkBG info booth at Stand for Children, Hotrod Stadium
 - Wednesday, 7/9/25 Jr. Police Academy, BikeWalkBG Bike Rodeo, 10-10:45 a.m.
 - Wednesday, 7/23/25 Jr. Police Academy, BikeWalkBG Bike Rodeo, 10-10:45 a.m.
 - Thursday, 7/27/25 BikeWalkBG Bike Rodeo Thrive Camp, Jennings Creek
 - Week of 9/21-9/25 TBA BikeWalkBG School Bike Education Program, Jennings Creek
 - Friday, 11/7/25 and Saturday, 11/8/25 Kentucky Bicycle and Bikeway Commission (KBBC) annual meeting, Bowling Green, More details to come.
- 5. Old Business— Carroll Duckworth provided the following updates:
 - a) Received Spark Grant (available in cities with GM plants) \$2,000 award. Funds spent to purchase helmets and bicycles for School Bike Education Program.
 - b) Awarded \$10,000 through the 2024 Paula Nye Memorial grant submission. Funds spent to purchase education, promotion, helmets, and supplies for School Bike Education Program and other BikeWalkBG activities.
 - c) Transit Management Agreement between City of Bowling Green and MPO included in FY2026 UPWP submission to KYTC. This Transit Management Agreement replaced the agreement signed in 2017.
 - d) FY2026 Unified Planning Work Plan (UPWP) document submitted to KYTC.
 - e) 2025 Safety Performance Measure Targets is being included in 2050 MTP.

6. Announcements & Information

a) KYTC D3 – Ben Hunt gave updates on KY185 and 31W projects, I 165 vegetation trimming, Cemetery Road

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- turn lanes bid status, R-cut at Rockfield, Morgantown Rd./ I 165 / Exit improvements, plans for roundabout at Brookwood and Morgantown Rd., Us 31 Bypass improvements, Nashville Rd. from Potters to roundabout, and Three Springs Rd. Sidewalk projects.
- b) Warren County Public Works Josh Moore provided updates on tree removal, Smallhouse paving project, fiscal paving budget for upcoming year, and grant for two box culvert replacements.
- c) City Public Works Andy Souza provided updates on the following: overlay projects, acquisition of four houses related to flooding, Bluegrass Farms asphalt paving, Freeport Rd. widening, warning lights to be install at Fairview Plaza to alert drivers when flooding occurs, printed greenway map updates, storm cleanup, Scottsville Rd. multi-use path.
- d) Inquiry was made by Mayor Todd Alcott regarding the Veteran's Memorial Blvd. between Victoria and Clay St. Josh Moore provided update as funding is on hold at this time.
- e) Mayor Todd Alcott stated that \$90K has been included in budget for this upcoming year to install three transit bus stop shelters

7. Adjournment - With no further discussion, a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Alcott, seconded by Ben Hunt. The meeting was adjourned.

CHAIRMAN

Next Meetings: MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) – August 11, 2025, 3:00 p.m.

MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) – August 25, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

MPO Policy Committee (PC) - August 26, 2025, 3:30 p.m.

Meeting materials, maps, studies, plans and additional information online: www.bgareampo.org