

**PRELIMINARY
MINUTES**

BUILD KANSAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 16, 2024
Room 548-S—Statehouse

Members Present

Senator Ty Masterson, Chairperson
Representative Troy Waymaster
Senator J.R. Claeys
Senator Usha Reddi
Senator Tim Shallenburger
Representative Shannon Francis
Representative Henry Helgerson
Representative Kyle Hoffman
Representative Lindsay Vaughn

Staff Present

Chardae Caine, Legislative Research Department
Dylan Dear, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Jill Wolters, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Nancy Fontaine, Committee Assistant

Conferees

Matthew Volz, Executive Director, Kansas Infrastructure Hub
Secretary Calvin Reed, Kansas Department of Transportation

**Tuesday, July 16
Afternoon Session**

Call to Order

Chairperson Waymaster called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Approval of June 12, 2024, Minutes

Representative Francis moved, and Representative Helgerson seconded, approval of the minutes for June 12, 2024. The motion carried.

Presentation on Applications to the Build Kansas Matching Grant Fund

The Chairperson recognized Matthew Volz, Kansas Infrastructure Hub, on behalf of the Build Kansas Steering Committee, to provide a brief review of the Build Kansas process and present the applications that are ready for review. ([Attachment 1](#))

Staff distributed a document displaying the status of projects already approved. ([Attachment 2](#))

The following 15 applications were reviewed:

1. #2024-051-GP is from the City of Dodge City to support a U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) grant through the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program to, in conjunction with BNSF, enable a study to evaluate and prioritize grade crossing investments along the La Junta Subdivision. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The City is seeking \$354,000 from the Build Kansas Fund, potentially unlocking \$1,416,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 3](#))

Senator Shallenburger moved, and Representative Francis seconded, to reject this application. The motion carried.

2. #2024-052-NoEDD is from Osage County to support a USDOT, CRISI grant for their Transload Facility Project. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The County is contributing \$49,544.70 and is seeking \$148,634.10, which potentially unlocks \$792,715.20 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 4](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

3. #2024-053-NoEDD is from the City of Sabetha to support a USDOT, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant for the design and construction of a taxiway extension and two taxilanes to an existing 6-place nested T-Hangar. The local match requirement is 10 percent. The City is seeking \$36,223 from the Build Kansas Fund, potentially unlocking \$326,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 5](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

4. #2024-054-NCRPC is from the City of Ellsworth to support a USDOT, FAA grant for the design and construction of a new snow removal equipment storage facility. There is a local match requirement of 10 percent. The City is seeking \$13,048, potentially unlocking \$117,429 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 6](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

5. #2024-055-NoEDD is from City of Topeka to support a USDOT grant to address seven projects outlined in the recent Bikeways Phase V circulation study. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The City is seeking \$3,328,030, potentially unlocking \$13,312,123 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 7](#))

Representative Hoffman moved, Senator Shallenburger seconded, to reject this application. The motion carried.

This item was subsequently revisited. Representative Hoffman moved, Representative Francis seconded, a conditional approval of this application if the applicant comes up with a 5 percent financial or in-kind match of the BIL amount. The motion carried.

6. #2024-056-SCKEDD is from the City of Goddard to support a USDOT grant for planning and design of the Goddard Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge and Active Transportation Network Project. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The City is contributing \$30,000 of its own funds and is seeking \$90,000, potentially unlocking \$380,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 8](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

7. #2024-057-NWKPCD is from Trego County to support a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to install a new generator at their hospital. The local match requirement is 25 percent. The County is contributing \$31,000 of its own funds and is seeking \$46,500, potentially unlocking \$232,500 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 9](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

8. #2024-058-NCRPC is from the City of Clay Center to support a FEMA grant to construct a 5,125 square-foot, dual purpose storm shelter within the new Clay Center Multi-Generational Life Center. The local match requirement is 25 percent. The City is seeking \$318,750, potentially unlocking \$956,250 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 10](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

9. #2024-059-NCRPC is from the City of Chapman to support a FEMA grant for the installation of two new warning sirens. The local match requirement is 25 percent. The City is seeking \$10,500, potentially unlocking \$31,500 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 11](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

10. #2024-060-SEKRPC is from the City of Coffeyville to support a USDOT grant to enhance accessibility and promoting healthy activities such as walking and biking throughout the town. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The City is seeking \$470,000, potentially unlocking \$1,880,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 12](#))

Representative Hoffman moved, Representative Francis seconded, to fund 95 percent of the request and have the City contribute the other 5 percent. The motion carried.

11. #2024-061-FHRC is from the Flint Hills Metro Planning Commission, Manhattan to support a USDOT grant to create and enhance mobility by providing a safe, connected and equitable multi-modal transportation system. The local match requirement is 20

percent. The Commission is seeking \$119,670.20, potentially unlocking \$478,680 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 13](#))

Representative Hoffman moved, Senator Shallenburger seconded, to fund 95 percent of the request and have the City contribute the other 5 percent. The motion failed.

There was consensus to approve this application.

12. #2024-062-GP is from Morton County to support an FAA grant to rehabilitate Runway 4-22 and the runway turnarounds and a portion of Midfield Connecting Taxiway C will be removed/abandoned with this project. The local match requirement is 10 percent. The County is seeking \$37,334, potentially unlocking \$336,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 14](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

13. #2024-063-GP is from Stanton County to support an FAA grant to reconstruct the southern two-thirds of the Runway 17-35 parallel taxiway and to replace the Medium Intensity Taxiway Lighting (MITL) system. The local match requirement is 10 percent. The County is seeking \$49,778, potentially unlocking \$448,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 15](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

14. #2024-064-SCKEDD is from the City of Hutchinson to support an FAA grant for the construction of the general aviation apron taxiway and the Hutchinson Regional Airport. The local match requirement is 10 percent. The City is seeking \$97,888, potentially unlocking \$881,000 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 16](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

15. #2024-065-FHRC is from the City of McFarland to support a FEMA grant for the installation of a new warning system. The local match requirement is 25 percent. The City is seeking \$7,587.50, potentially unlocking \$22,762 in federal funds. The Steering Committee recommended approval. ([Attachment 17](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

Chairperson Waymaster recognized Mr. Volz for a briefing on possible options for cost sharing by the requesting entities as most applicants are not providing any financial or in-kind match. Mr. Volz indicated that there are options to ask entities to provide what they can or the Advisory Committee members could determine a required percentage. Discussion followed, after which, Chairperson Waymaster clarified that, from this point on, the Committee will ask for some type of match, whether that be in-kind or financial. If it is in-kind, there must be an assessed value. If there is no match indicated, the Infrastructure Hub will contact the applicant to request a match. If the applicant cannot come up with a match, the applicant will need to provide a detailed explanation. The Chairperson also indicated that the questions on the application concerning efforts to find other available funding need to be improved.

Adjourn

Chairperson Waymaster adjourned the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

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Approved by the Committee on:

(Date)