

**PRELIMINARY  
MINUTES**

**BUILD KANSAS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

September 18, 2024  
Room 548-S—Statehouse

**Members Present**

Representative Troy Waymaster, Chairperson  
Senator Rick Billinger (appointed substitute member for this meeting)  
Senator J.R. Claeys  
Senator Usha Reddi  
Senator Tim Shallenburger  
Representative Shannon Francis  
Representative Henry Helgerson  
Representative Kyle Hoffman  
Representative Lindsay Vaughn

**Members Absent**

**Staff Present**

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

**Conferees**

Matthew Volz, Executive Director, Kansas Infrastructure Hub

**Wednesday, September 18  
Afternoon Session**

**Call to Order**

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

**Approval of August 21, 2024 Minutes**

*Representative Hoffman moved, and Representative Helgeson seconded, approval of the minutes for August 21, 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, who provided a brief review of the Build Kansas process and the status of approved projects. ([Attachment 1](#))

Mr. Volz briefly reviewed the following applications that have been amended:

- #2024-026-NoEDD ([Attachment 2](#))
- #2024-027-MARC ([Attachment 3](#))
- #2024-055-NoEDD ([Attachment 4](#))
- #2024-060-SEKRPC ([Attachment 5](#))

The following new applications were reviewed:

1. #2025-069-SEKRPC is from the City of Spring Hill to support a U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Federal Railroad Administration Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) grant for the Eastern Kansas Communities Rail Corridor At-Grade Crossing Elimination Plan. The match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is contributing \$107,000 and is requesting \$107,000, which has the potential to allow for \$1.7 million of federal funding. BNSF is contributing \$215,000. ([Attachment 6](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

2. # 2025-070-GPDA is from the City of Dodge City to support a USDOT RCE grant for its Connecting Dodge City—Corridor Planning and Design Project. The match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is contributing \$100,000, BNSF is contributing \$100,000, and the city is requesting \$154,000, which has the potential to allow for \$1.4 million of federal funding. ([Attachment 7](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

3. # 2025-071-MARC is from the City of Spring Hill to support a USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program. The match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is contributing \$22,843 and is requesting \$434,016, which has the potential to allow for \$1.8 million of federal funding. ([Attachment 8](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

4. # 2025-072-GPDA is from the City of Liberal to support a USDOT RCE grant for the Liberal Crossing Analysis for Routes Enhancing Safety project. The local match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is contributing \$50,800 cash and \$54,080 of in-kind match, and it is requesting \$305,000, which has the potential to allow for \$1.6 million of federal funding. ([Attachment 9](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

5. # 2025-073-NoEDD is from Osage County to support a USDOT SS4A grant for its Comprehensive Safety Action Plan. The local match requirement is 20 percent. The County is requesting \$525,000, which has the potential to allow for \$2.1 million of federal funding. ([Attachment 10](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

6. #2025-074 is from the City of Ogden to support a USDOT SS4A grant for its Odgen Kansas Safety Action Plan project. The local match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is contributing \$3,000 cash and \$4,500 of in-kind match, and is requesting \$22,500, which has the potential to allow for \$120,000 of federal funding. ([Attachment 11](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

7. # 2025-075 is from the City of Osawatomie to support a Reconnecting Communities Pilot grant. The local match requirement is 20.0 percent. The City is providing \$4,500 and is seeking \$85,500, which has the potential to allow for \$360,000 of federal funding. ([Attachment 12](#))

There was consensus to approve this application.

## **Committee Discussion, Advice, and Recommendations**

Chairperson Waymaster opened discussion regarding applications for conducting studies as opposed to completing projects. Committee members discussed future federal funding that may be available, requirements to receive federal funding, and how each project and community varies.

## **Adjourn**

Chairperson Waymaster adjourned the meeting at 1:57 pm.

Edited by Chardae Caine

Approved by the Committee on:

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(Date)

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