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Lincoln MPO 2050 LRTP Update & Lincoln Mobility Plan Project Oversight & Planning Committee (POP-C) Meeting #2

September 25, 2025 at 10:00
Virtual Meeting

Attendees:

Rachel Christopher, Paul Barnes, Andrew Thierolf, Ayden Johnson (Lincoln-Lancaster Planning); Thomas Shafer, Danae Garfield, Robert Partida (Lincoln Transportation & Utilities); Stephanie Rouse (Lincoln Urban Development); J.J. Yost (Lincoln Parks & Recreation); Gary Bergstrom (Lincoln-Lancaster Health Department); Carla Cosier (LTU-StarTran); Jarrod Walker (Nebraska DOT); Luke Pitts (FHWA-Nebraska); John Linbo (Lancaster County Engineering)

Consultant Team:

Greg Youell, Jenny Young, Amanda Denning, Jesse Poore (Felsburg Holt & Ullevig)

Not Present:

David Cary (Lincoln-Lancaster Planning); Justin Luther (FHWA-Nebraska); Sue Biltoft (City of Bennet); Curt Faust (Lincoln Fire & Rescue); Donald Scheinost, Duane Winkler (Lincoln Police Dept.); Chris Schroeder (Lincoln-Lancaster Health Dept.) Kim Morrow (Lincoln Sustainability); Larry Legg (Lancaster County Engineering; Gerri Doyle (Remote, FTA Region VII); Mitchel Sump (Aging Partners); Stephanie Fisher (City of Waverly); Kelly Oelke (City of Hickman); Jason Wesch (Lincoln Police Dept.)

Agenda:

1. Vision & Goals Discussion

Rachel Christopher welcomed the POPC Committee members and turned the meeting over to the Consultant Team.

Jenny Young presented the updated language proposed for the LRTP Goals

Roberto Partida asked if safety and security could be updated to be overt about the link to reducing fatalities and severe injury crashes that would link to the Vision Zero Action Plan. Roberto also asked for clarification about funding goal to embrace innovative funding approaches.

Jenny Young presented the updated language proposed for the LMP Goals

2. Lincoln MPO Transportation Changes Review & Initial Feedback
Greg Youell summarized input received and themes that reflect what significant changes have occurred since the last LRTP update. Greg shared the themes and data summary from three pop up events completed to date.
3. Public Engagement
Amanda Denning summarized the ongoing work and many hands involved with implementing the Public Engagement Plan. The website was presented. The password protected POP-C Stakeholder Hub was displayed and explained.
Amanda shared the list of remaining pop up events. The Public Meeting date for the Comprehensive Plan and LRTP was described. The content and engagement for the LRTP are similar to the pop up events.
A flyer for committee members was displayed that will be sent to the group for dissemination.
Jesse Poore shared the overview plan for Focus Groups, the 10 groups, over 185 individuals identified, and the anticipated outcomes from the meetings to be facilitated the week following the Public Meeting.
4. Existing Conditions
Greg Youell shared the update of LRTP Existing Conditions with the draft figures that are prepared for the plan. Current data has been used to update most of the Existing Conditions figures from the previous LRTP. The Demographics index that supports the goal of Access and Opportunity as well as the Bike Demand Index that supports the Goal of Healthy, Active Lifestyle and the Lincoln Mobility Plan are being updated with new data.
Greg shared the information from the Active Mobility Subcommittee that described the data analysis that can begin locating junctions or nodes of the mobility network.
5. Comprehensive Plan Update
Andrew Thierolf provided a summary of the three phases of the Lincoln Comprehensive Plan update. The City is currently in Phase 1 and collecting feedback on Future Land Use and Growth Tier maps. Like the LRTP, Phase 1 outreach for the Comprehensive Plan collects information about big picture concepts that should be considered as part of the update.
Andrew shared that the Updated maps and Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) will be prepared in November. This data will be used by the Consultant Team and reviewed with the Model Advisory Subcommittee.
6. Schedule and Next Steps
Greg Youell confirmed with the group that the next POP-C meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2025. The topic will focus on Performance Measures & Needs Assessment. Fall Public Input will be reviewed also. Other meetings and dates include:
 - Model Advisory Subcommittee, September 29
 - MPO Technical Committee, October 21 at 2pm
 - Public Meeting, October 23 at 5:30