



# Board of Directors MEETING NOTICE

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October 26, 2021  
Board Member Meeting: 12:00 p.m.  
Remotely via Zoom

- Members of the public who wish to participate in this meeting: please email Karina Bielecki at [kbielecki@marc.org](mailto:kbielecki@marc.org) by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 for instructions to join the teleconference.

## AGENDA

1. Introductions and Board Sharing Time
2. REPORT: Update on Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Initiatives
  - Weekly Reports to Local Officials and Other Stakeholders
  - Food Challenges for Area School Districts
  - Recent Investments for the KC Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund
3. THRIVING OLDER ADULTS AND COMMUNITIES
  - a. REPORT: A Presentation on Swope Health's Launch of the PACE KC Program
4. QUALITY EARLY LEARNING
  - a. REPORT: An Update on the State of Early Learning and Care in the Region
5. EFFECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
  - a. VOTE: Approve 2022 State Legislative Agendas
6. HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT
  - a. REPORT: Overview of Regional Solid Waste Management Strategies
    - i. VOTE: Approve the FY2022 Memorandum of Understanding with the MARC Solid Waste Management District
7. BRIEF REPORTS:
  - a. REPORT and VOTE: Accept a Grant from the Health Forward Foundation to Support the Regional Housing Partnership
  - b. VOTE: Approve the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program
  - c. VOTE: Approve the Metropolitan Planning Organization Self-Certification Statement

## CONSENT AGENDA (ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS)

8. VOTE: Approve Consent Agenda
  - a. Approve Minutes of the September 28, 2021 Board Meeting
  - b. Approve Local Government Dues for 2022
  - c. Authorize a Grant Application to the Kansas Highway Patrol to Support Emergency Services Work



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- d. Authorize a Grant Application to the Missouri Department of Public Safety to Support Emergency Services Work
- e. Authorize the Purchase of a Gas Detector to Support Homeland Security
- f. Approve an Agreement with Surdex to Provide Services for the 2022 Aerial Imagery Project
- g. Authorize Applications to the Ewing Marion Kauffman and Kresge Foundations to Support Grant Preparation Services for American Rescue Plan Funds
- h. Authorize the Revision and Re-release of an Integrated Care Network Services RFP to Support Older Adults
- i. Approve Contract Extensions for Head Start and Early Head Start Support Services
- j. Authorize a Contract to Provide Support to University of Missouri Kansas City's "Strengthening the Missouri Early Childhood Workforce" Project

9. Other Business

10. Adjournment

## MARC Board of Directors — Members and Alternates

Name	Jurisdiction	Title
Allen, Perry**	MoDOT	Asst. District Engineer
Alvey, David	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	Mayor/CEO
Bacon, John	City of Olathe	Mayor
Baird, Bill	City of Lee's Summit	Mayor
Boehm, Mike	City of Lenexa	Mayor
Boley, Damien	City of Smithville	Mayor
Bunch, Eric	City of Kansas City	Councilmember
Burnett, Scott	Jackson County	Legislator
Culbertson, Jeff	Leavenworth County	Commissioner
Eilert, Ed	Johnson County	Commission Chairman
Ellington, Brandon	City of Kansas City	Councilmember
Fields, Vernon	City of Basehor	Councilmember
Gallagher, Danny	Miami County	Commissioner
Gerlach, Carl	City of Overland Park	Mayor
Hall, Heather	City of Kansas City	Councilmember
Hanzlick, Janeé	Johnson County	Commissioner
Harrington, Jeff	City of Bonner Springs	Mayor
Hobart, Dan	City of Independence	Councilmember
Huston, Bob	Cass County	Presiding Commissioner
Jarrold, Dick**	KCATA	Vice President
Johnson, Harold	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	Commissioner
Johnson, Ryan	Cass County	Commissioner
King, Bob	Ray County	Presiding Commissioner
Koehn, Leroy**	KDOT	District Engineer
Lucas, Quinton	City of Kansas City	Mayor
Lopez, Beto	City of Lee's Summit	Mayor Pro Tem
Makinen, Robbie**	KCATA	President/CEO
Markley, Angela	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	Commissioner
McDonough, Mike	City of Raytown	Mayor
McKiernan, Brian*	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	Commissioner
McTaggart, John	City of Edwardsville	Mayor
Moriarty, Michael**	KDOT	Chief of Transportation Planning
Nolte, Jerry	Clay County	Presiding Commissioner
Pogue, Randy	City of Kearney	Mayor
Preisinger, Mark	City of Leavenworth	City Commissioner
Roberts, Rob	Miami County	Commission Chairman
Ross, Carson	City of Blue Springs	Mayor
Schieber, Ron	Platte County	Presiding Commissioner
Schwach, Paula	City of Westwood Hills	Mayor
Shute, Steve	City of Gardner	Mayor
Silvester, David**	MoDOT	District Engineer
Skoog, Curt	City of Overland Park	Councilmember
Smith, Doug	Leavenworth County	Commission Chairman
Spears, Fred	City of Overland Park	Councilmember
Turnbow, Kristofer	City of Raymore	Mayor
Vogt, Marge	City of Olathe	Councilmember
Walker, Rick	City of De Soto	Mayor
Walters, Jim	Unified Government of WyCo/KCK	Commissioner
Weir, Eileen	City of Independence	Mayor
White, Frank	Jackson County	County Executive
Wood, Dagmar	Platte County	Commissioner

\*Public Transit Representatives (Voting)    \*\*Public Transit Advisory Representatives (Non-Voting)

## AGENDA REPORT

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 1

**ISSUE:**

Introductions and Board Sharing Time

**BACKGROUND:**

Time has been reserved on the agenda for introductions and items of interest to Board members. The Board Chair encourages board members to raise matters for discussion at future meetings or other issues of general concern or interest.

## AGENDA REPORT

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 2

**ISSUE:**

REPORT: Update on Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Initiatives

**BACKGROUND:**

MARC staff will give short updates on regional efforts in which we are engaged to support and coordinate regional response and recovery to the COVID-19 pandemic, including:

COVID-19 General Updates

- Weekly Reports to Local Officials and Other Stakeholders
- Food Challenges for Area School Districts
- Recent Investments for the KC Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund

**RECOMMENDATION:**

None; information only.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Marlene Nagel  
Jennifer Sutherlin

## AGENDA REPORT

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 3-a  
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

**ISSUE:**

REPORT: A Presentation on Swope Health's Launch of the PACE KC Program

**BACKGROUND:**

Recently, Swope Health launched a subsidiary organization, PACE KC, to bring a new model of aging care to Kansas City, MO. Heath Rath will present an overview of the mission and vision of PACE KC and detail Swope's plans for launch.

The Program for All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly (PACE) model has been tested and successful across the country for many years. Usually, community dwelling older adults (who are both eligible for Medicaid and Medicare) enroll in the program as a way to receive all needed supports to age successfully. Primary health care, specialty care, community services, and even end-of-life care are all provided and covered by the program. Multidisciplinary teams oversee the progression of participants through the program, help to manage care across the continuum, and build solutions for any barriers encountered by participants.

A physical site is a key feature of the model, and they usually offer adult day care, health care, and various other services in a central location.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

None, information only.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

James Stowe

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October 2021  
Item No. 4-a  
Quality Early Learning

**ISSUE:**

REPORT: An Update on the State of Early Learning and Care in the Region

**BACKGROUND:**

As parents and caregivers head back to the office or return to work, early learning and care needs are increasing. At the same time, early learning and care providers continue to recover from the impacts of COVID-19. MARC staff will give a brief update on the state of early learning and care in our region, as well as opportunities to support providers.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

None. Information only.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Jovanna Rohs

# AGENDA REPORT

## MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 5-a  
Effective Local Government

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Approve 2022 State Legislative Agendas

### BACKGROUND:

Each year, the MARC Board adopts a state legislative agenda for Missouri and Kansas focusing on issues of importance to the Kansas City region. The issues are identified through MARC committees, local governments, and other community partners. The following platforms are being recommended for adoption.

#### Missouri

##### Budget/Financial/Home Rule

- Address needs of the Kansas City region and local governments in the allocation of American Rescue Plan (ARP) and other Federal COVID Relief Funds
- Maintain home rule authority for local governments

##### Health and Human Services

- Provide funding for Local Public Health Systems - Build Capacities at State and Local Levels
- Protect state funding to Area Agencies on Aging to support home delivered meals and other services to vulnerable older adults
- Increase resources for community mental health centers and behavioral health programs for children and youth, strengthen peer support programs and require parity by insurance carriers for mental health services.
- Support legislation for EMS, including update of Time Critical Diagnosis (TCD) legislation and inclusion of PTSD in workmen's compensation for first responders

##### Transportation

- Maintain the existing motor fuel taxes and vehicle registration fees to address the state's growing transportation needs, including system maintenance, multi-modal transportation, and job access.
- Encourage adoption of fuel-efficient and zero-emission vehicles to improve air quality and increase climate resilience. (Recommendations from Connected KC 2050 and the Climate Action Plans)
- Support transportation safety legislation to restrict use of wireless phones to hands-free technology and broaden restrictions on texting while driving to apply to drivers of all ages. Consider support for other safety measures around primary seat belt law and safety for transit operators.
- Enable safe and effective deployment of autonomous and connected vehicles. Policies and regulations should promote local innovation, maintain the integrity of local transportation systems, and be compatible with adjoining states.

##### Early Learning

- Sustain the Child Care Subsidy sliding eligibility rates that have been put in place during the pandemic, increasing the child care reimbursement rate for child care subsidies to 75% of the current market rate for low-income working families.
- Support Home Visitation funding for high quality programs to increase access for more Missouri families

##### Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy

- Support legislation to encourage greater investment in energy conservation, renewable energy and energy efficient technologies.

##### Solid Waste and Recycling



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- Continue support for solid waste management districts in order to protect local government rights to develop and implement local and regional integrated solid waste management systems and strategies, including waste disposal and materials diversion facilities and services, which are designed to protect human health and the environment and to maximize waste reduction and diversion.
- Avoid legislation to preempt or erode the ability of local governments to address solid waste challenges such as plastic bag bans, bag fees, and other waste management policies without involvement by local governments in drafting legislation and when such legislation would create a more effective and beneficial statewide program.
- Product Stewardship - Ensure that those who manufacture, design, consume or sell products are also responsible for minimizing the product's environmental impact throughout all stages of the products' life cycle, including end of life management.

#### Climate Adaptation/Hazard Mitigation

- Encourage the development of state and local plans and support investments in infrastructure to ensure that residents and businesses are protected from the risk of loss of life or damage to property due to more extreme weather conditions.

#### Education and Workforce Development

- Maintain higher education resources in the Kansas City area, including programs at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, University of Central Missouri and Metropolitan Community College that support a skilled labor force for the region's employers
- Maintain funding for the region's K-12 system, and support state education policy that encourages school districts to adopt curriculum and teaching methods to help students be ready to enter the workforce, and develop career pathways, internships and apprenticeships aligned to local workforce needs.
- Support appropriations of Access Missouri and Missouri A+ Scholars programs to ensure all eligible students can receive meaningful tuition support.
- Support legislation to allow qualifying students to seek state financial aid for college courses taken prior to high school graduation, and support policy changes that would simplify the current process for certifying teachers to teach these dual credit courses and improve access by removing geographic restrictions.
- Support continued funding for the FastTrack program for adult learners.

#### Affordable Housing

- A sufficient supply of attainable and diverse housing types is critical for robust workforce and economic development
- Support policy and innovative strategies to achieve safe, stable and attainable housing
- Enable local jurisdictions to dedicate public funds to support the development, rehabilitation and preservation of attainable housing
- Support the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program for the acquisition, rehabilitation and construction of rental housing for lower-income households
- Support policy and innovative strategies that lower the cost of housing through energy efficiency and transportation improvements.

#### Broadband/Digital Access

- Support investments from federal funds to ensure that the Kansas City region, including urban, suburban and rural areas have high quality broadband infrastructure.
- Support investments from federal funds to support digital access to low-income households for education, employment, telehealth, civic engagement and social interaction through support for devices, internet connections, and digital training.

#### Kansas

##### Budget/Financial/Home Rule

- Address needs of the Kansas City region and local governments in the allocation of American Rescue Plan (ARP) and other Federal COVID Relief Funds

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- Maintain home rule authority for local governments

### Transportation

- Preserve and strengthen the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation program enacted in 2020 to address multi-modal needs, including regional priorities, by doubling the minimum funding dedicated to public transportation operations and capital expenses and providing full funding for the other elements of the program.
- Encourage adoption of fuel-efficient and zero-emission vehicles to improve air quality and increase climate resilience.
- Address safety issues, including restricting the use of wireless phones to hands-free technology; retain and do not increase the current 75 mph speed limit; amend current law to include liability protection for Child Passenger Safety Technicians and their agencies; support helmets for children under 18 years of age using ATVs; and encourage attentive driving.
- Develop state policies to enable and encourage safe and effective deployment of autonomous and connected vehicles. Policies and regulations should promote local innovation, maintain the integrity of local transportation systems, and be compatible with adjoining states

### Energy Conservation and Renewables

- Encourage greater investment in energy conservation, renewable energy and energy efficient technologies.

### Climate Adaptation/Hazard Mitigation

- Encourage the development of state and local plans and support investments in infrastructure to ensure that residents and businesses are protected from the risk of loss of life or damage to property due to more extreme weather conditions.

### Early Education

- Child Care Subsidy - decrease barriers to subsidy access by modifying eligibility requirements for families
- Children's Initiative Fund (CIF) and the Kansas Endowment for Youth (KEY) Fund -protect existing funding and work to secure future funding to protect these critical investments in early childhood programs across Kansas.
- Expand Access to Quality Home Visitation programs

### Health and Human Services

- Expand Medicaid to enable more Kansas residents to have access to affordable health care
- Establish funding programs that enable Medicaid payments for government-owned ambulances (Intergovernmental Transfer) and provide for an FRA Medicaid supplement funding program for all ambulance services.

### Education and Workforce Development

- Support state education policy that encourages school districts to adopt curriculum and teaching methods to help students be ready to enter the workforce, and develop career pathways, internships and apprenticeships aligned to local workforce needs.
- Support measures to expand career, technical, and trade education in the state including STEM education and workforce development initiatives.
- Support policy to enable high school students to gain college credit and/or postsecondary certifications and training at any public and not-for-profit institutions in the Kansas City area that offer appropriate programming to support their career interests

### Affordable Housing

- A sufficient supply of attainable and diverse housing types is critical for robust workforce and economic development
- Support policy and innovative strategies to achieve safe, stable and attainable housing
- Enable local jurisdictions to dedicate public funds to support the development, rehabilitation and preservation of attainable housing
- Implement a dedicated, sustainable funding source for the State Housing Trust Fund (SHTF) to serve Kansas families and communities

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- Support the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program for the acquisition, rehabilitation and construction of rental housing for lower-income households
- Support policy and innovative strategies that lower the cost of housing through energy efficiency and transportation improvements.

#### Broadband/Digital Access

- Support investments from federal funds to ensure that the Kansas City region, including urban, suburban and rural areas have high quality broadband infrastructure.
- Support investments from federal funds to support digital access to low-income households for education, employment, telehealth, civic engagement and social interaction through support for devices, internet connections, and digital training.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt the 2022 state legislative agendas as described above.

#### **STAFF CONTACT:**

Marlene Nagel

# AGENDA REPORT

## MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 6-a and 6-a-i  
Healthy Environment

### ISSUE:

REPORT: Overview of Regional Solid Waste Management Strategies  
and VOTE: Approve the FY2022 Memorandum of Understanding with the MARC Solid Waste Management District

### BACKGROUND:

The MARC Solid Waste Management District receives grant funds from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to support waste reduction and recycling efforts within Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte, and Ray counties. The district conducts planning, administers grants to encourage waste reduction and recycling, and promotes various initiatives to area residents, including the Regional Household Hazardous Waste Program (HHW) and RecycleSpot.org. MARC provides administrative, organizational, and planning support for district activities under an annual Memorandum of Understanding. The fiscal year begins January 1, 2022.

Several initiatives are underway regarding food waste, compost and recycling market development, illegal dumping, paint stewardship, and pharmaceuticals management.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

The MARC Solid Waste Management District will oversee a total of \$1,352,631 for its district grant activities in 2022, including carry-over funds, new grant dollars, and interest income. In addition, the district will coordinate and manage the Regional Household Hazardous Waste Program with projected revenues of \$365,000 for 2022. The Memorandum of Understanding provides \$588,032 in compensation to MARC for services provided to the district. The budget will support approximately 3.5 FTE MARC staff. MARC local funds estimated at \$11,000 will be used for fringe, indirect, and mileage costs that exceed MDNR's FY22 reimbursement rates.

REVENUES	
Amount	\$1,352,631
Source	Missouri Department of Natural Resources
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	\$420,042
Contractual	\$92,900
Pass-Through	\$764,599
Other (supplies, printing, etc.)	\$75,090

### District Operations and Planning

MARC serves as the fiscal agent for the district's grant, interest income, and HHW program funds. To utilize these funds, MARC will manage special projects as approved by the district's executive board, such as regional education and solid waste planning. MARC also administers the district grant program and the HHW program.

### District Grant Program

The district administers an annual grant program to encourage waste reduction and recycling. Below is a list of the pass-through grants that were awarded by the district's executive board to local communities and organizations during its open 2022 grant call. The district may conduct a second grant call in 2022 to encumber unused grant funds held by MDNR. MARC will serve as the fiscal administrator for the awarded grants:

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<u>FY22 Open Call Projects</u>		<u>Amount</u>
KC Dumpster	Construction & Demolition Debris Recycling Equipment	\$500,000
Missouri Recycling Association (MORA)	MORA Operations and Conference	\$ 69,692
Elm Dirt	Worm Farm Equipment	\$ 49,900
KC Library	KC Library Recyclable Materials Baler	\$ 42,000
KC Can Compost	Business Growth Manager	\$ 40,691
Sleepyhead Beds	Digital Marketing and Earned Media Campaign	\$ 31,500
Heartland Conservation Alliance	Illegal Dumping: A Collective Impact Approach	\$ 30,816
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Total Approved Open Call Grant Projects - First Round		\$764,599

#### Regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program

MARC will serve as the fiscal administrator for per capita fees collected from participating communities in the district's Regional Household Hazardous Waste Program. The district's executive board set the annual per capita fee at \$1.09 for communities joining the 2022 program. Based on anticipated participation of 31 communities for 2022, MARC will accept and administer approximately \$365,000 on behalf of the district to compensate the cities of Kansas City (approx. \$345,000) and Lee's Summit (approx. \$20,000) for HHW services rendered at the close of 2022.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION:**

The district's executive board approved the FY22 MARC SWMD Work Plan & Budget and Memorandum of Understanding at its meeting on October 13, 2021.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the executive director to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the MARC Solid Waste Management District, accept and administer funds, disperse payments, and provide local match as described above.

#### **STAFF CONTACT:**

Lisa McDaniel  
Tom Jacobs  
Ron Achelpohl

## AGENDA REPORT

MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 7-a  
Effective Local Government

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Accept a Grant from the Health Forward Foundation to Support the Regional Housing Partnership

### BACKGROUND:

MARC is partnering with Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) Greater Kansas City to organize the Regional Housing Partnership (RHP). The RHP will mobilize individuals and organizations to enact systems-level change to grow the supply of affordable housing for cost-burdened households. This will be accomplished through seven elements of an effective regional housing system: (1) data and analysis; (2) networked leadership; (3) financing tools; (4) production capacity; (5) rental & homeowner resources; (6) policy; and (7) education.

This award will supplement a previous grant of \$560,000 from the Marion and Henry Bloch Foundation. A portion of the Health Forward Foundation grant will be subcontracted to LISC to launch the Kansas City Regional Housing Connection in consultation with KC SourceLink. LISC will also assist with implementation of advocacy, financing, and capacity strategies of the Regional Housing Partnership. In addition, LISC and MARC will coordinate with other key stakeholders to identify gaps in existing local resources for community mobilization and advocacy. This information will be utilized to determine a plan and resources for future years to build capacity.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

REVENUES	
Amount	\$150,000
Source	Health Forward Foundation Grant
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	\$58,806
Contractual	\$91,194

### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize acceptance of a grant in the amount of \$150,000 from the Health Forward Foundation to support the Regional Housing Partnership.

### STAFF CONTACT:

Lauren Palmer

## AGENDA REPORT

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 7-b  
Efficient Transportation and Quality Places

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Approve the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program

### BACKGROUND:

MARC has prepared the Draft 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for public review and comment. The Draft TIP includes all federally funded surface transportation projects, and all regionally significant surface transportation projects regardless of funding source, planned for the Kansas City metropolitan area in Federal Fiscal Years 2022-2026.

The Draft 2022-2026 TIP has been developed by MARC in accordance with regulations contained in the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, the most recent legislation governing the federal transportation program. In accordance with these regulations the Draft 2022-2026 TIP includes:

- A financial plan that accounts for inflation and includes system-level estimates of operation & maintenance costs and revenues
- An environmental justice analysis that examines transportation investments and other considerations
- Discussion as to the effect of the programmed investments toward achieving performance targets
- Visualization techniques to help convey information

The complete Draft 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program is available for review at:

<http://marc.org/Transportation/Plans-Studies/Transportation-Plans-and-Studies/TIP/2022-2026-TIP.html>

MARC's Public Involvement Plan requires that the TIP be released for public review and comment prior to adoption. During the comment period, two comments from the public were received.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

None.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), including the Financial Plan and Environmental Justice analysis.

### STAFF CONTACT:

Marc Hansen

## AGENDA REPORT

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 7-c  
Efficient Transportation and Quality Places

**ISSUE:**

VOTE: Approve the Metropolitan Planning Organization Self-Certification Statement

**BACKGROUND:**

Federal transportation regulations require that MARC, as the region's metropolitan planning organization (MPO), certify that it is carrying out the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process outlined in federal law and regulation. The certification must occur at least every four years, concurrent with the submittal of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Included is a Self-Certification Checklist that has been developed by staff to assess MARC's compliance with federal requirements. The checklist demonstrates that the primary products of the metropolitan planning process have been completed and are current.

**BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Executive Director to sign the self-certification statement.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Marc Hansen



**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS  
SELF-CERTIFICATION CHECK LIST**

October 2021

The following products of the metropolitan planning process have been completed, adopted and/or approved and demonstrate that the Mid-America Regional Council is carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Kansas City metropolitan area.

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Date Completed, Adopted or Approved</b>
✓	Congestion Management Process (continuous)	Policy adopted: April 28, 2020
✓	Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan	May 25, 2021
✓	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Plan and Goal	June 22, 2021
✓	Environmental Justice Analysis/Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Long-Range Transportation Plan</li> <li>▪ Transportation Improvement Program 2020-2024 2022-2026</li> </ul>	June 23, 2020  October 22, 2019 Pending: (approval assumed October 26, 2021)
✓	Equal Employment Opportunity Filing (EEO Type 1)	Jackson County, Missouri: January 1, 2020 (filing for 2021 waived due to COVID-19)
✓	Federal Certification Review	October 2, 2017  August 2021 (Final report pending)
✓	Limited English Proficiency Plan 2019-2021	January 30, 2020
✓	Long-Range Transportation Plan	June 23, 2020

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Date Completed, Adopted or Approved</b>
✓	Performance Measure Targets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NHS Condition (PM2)</li> <li>• NHS Performance (PM3)</li> <li>• Safety</li> <li>• Transit State of Good Repair</li> </ul>	November 27, 2018 November 27, 2018 November 18, 2020 March 26, 2019
✓	Public Participation Plan	December 20, 2020
✓	Regional ITS Architecture	June 26, 2018
✓	Title VI Plan 2019-2021	January 30, 2020
✓	Transportation Improvement Program 2020-2024 2022-2026	October 22, 2019 Pending: (approval assumed October 26, 2021)
✓	Unified Planning Work Program 2021 2022	November 24, 2020 Pending: (approval assumed November 23, 2021)

## **AGENDA REPORT**

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-a

**ISSUE:**

**VOTE:** Approve minutes of the September 28, 2021 Board meeting

**BACKGROUND:**

The minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting are enclosed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

David Warm  
Karina Bielecki



BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING SUMMARY  
September 28, 2021  
12:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Harold Johnson, Jr., Unified Government of Wyandotte/Kansas City, Kan. - MARC Board Chair  
Commissioner Janeé Hanzlick, Johnson County, Kan. - MARC Board 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair  
Mayor Eileen Weir, Independence, Mo. - MARC Board Treasurer  
Mayor Pro Tem Beto Lopez, Lee's Summit, Mo. - MARC Board Secretary  
Commissioner Rob Roberts, Miami County, Kan.  
Councilmember Curt Skoog, Overland Park, Kan.  
Commissioner Doug Smith, Leavenworth County, Kan.  
Mayor Paula Schwach, Westwood Hills, Kan.  
Mayor Kristofer Turnbow, Raymore, Mo.  
Commissioner Jim Walters, Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kan.  
Councilmember Fred Spears, Overland Park, Kan.  
Mayor Randy Pogue, Kearney, Mo.  
Mayor Damien Boley, Smithville, Mo.  
Michael Moriarty, Chief of Transportation Planning, KDOT  
Mayor Mike McDonough, Raytown, Mo.  
Councilmember Brandon Ellington, Kansas City, Mo.  
Councilmember Vernon Fields, Basehor, Kan.  
Commission Chairman Ed Eilert, Johnson County, Kan.  
Commissioner Brian McKiernan, Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kan.  
Mayor Rick Walker, De Soto, Kan.  
Dick Jarrold, Vice President of Planning & Development, KCATA

STAFF PRESENT

Executive Director David Warm and other MARC staff

OTHERS

Chris Redline, MoDOT  
Krystal Jolly, MoDOT  
Mike Landvik, MoDOT

INTRODUCTIONS AND BOARD SHARING TIME

Commissioner Harold Johnson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and welcomed attendees. Due to the meeting being held remotely, Commissioner Johnson provided instructions for participation. He reported that staff would present on all the agenda items, provide an opportunity

for comments and questions after each item, and ask for approval of all agenda items, as well as the consent agenda, with one vote at the end of the meeting. Members will have an opportunity to abstain or object to any items necessary during the final vote.

Self-introductions were made, and members shared items of interest from their jurisdictions.

REPORT: Update on Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Initiatives and

VOTE: Accept Funds from the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund to Support Public Health

Ms. Marlene Nagel, Director of Community Development at MARC, provided an update on the COVID-19 Regional Response and Recovery Fund. The fund raised approximately \$18 million in its first year, dispersing over 300 grants to help ease the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. MARC received \$500,000 from this initial round of funding to support public health response to the pandemic. The fund's Advisory Board is raising new resources for investments in childcare, food insecurity, behavioral health, housing, and public health. Ms. Nagel requested authorization to receive a new grant of \$500,000 to continue public health work around the COVID-19 data dashboard, vaccination incentives, and assistance for impacted residents.

Ms. Nagel also shared that MARC has been working with the Health Care Coalition (HCC) to better understand and support pediatric data, testing needs, and staffing challenges within hospitals. There is a pilot program beginning October 4<sup>th</sup> to help direct ambulances to hospitals with capacity and low wait times. Monoclonal antibody sites in the state have been extended for an additional thirty days (until October 23<sup>rd</sup>), but FEMA ambulance strike teams in the region are set to demobilize on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Finally, Ms. Nagel noted that MARC has worked with area public health agencies to issue a press release aimed at helping individuals understand eligibility for booster shots of the Pfizer vaccine, which recently became available.

Mayor Kristofer Turnbow inquired about the monoclonal antibody infusion treatment and whether it was reserved for unvaccinated patients or available for breakthrough cases as well. Ms. Nagel replied that she expected treatment to be available for any patients regardless of vaccine status, but she would check to confirm. There were no further questions.

#### COMPETITIVE ECONOMY

REPORT and VOTE: Authorize an Application for the Economic Development Administration Build Back Better Program

Ms. Nagel reported that the US Economic Development Administration (EDA) announced several grant opportunities through the American Rescue Plan in August, including the Build Back Better (BBB) program. The BBB is intended to assist regions to invest in targeted industry clusters to recover from the pandemic and strengthen area economies. The application is two-phased, with the Phase One grant providing up to \$500,000 to support coalition building and project design, enabling regions to prepare for Phase Two. Between three and eight large projects may be identified in the Phase One application, and MARC or individual partners would apply for between \$25 and \$75 million for the large projects. MARC has worked with KC Rising, non-profits, colleges and universities, and other partners to draft an application for the biosciences industry cluster. The investments would be focused on research and development, commercialization, manufacturing and clinical trials, supply chain and logistics, and workforce development. The Phase One application is due October 19, 2021 and awards for approximately fifty-to-sixty applicants are expected by the end of the year. The Phase Two applications are due March 15, 2022 and up to thirty regions are expected to receive significant EDA funds. The initial \$500,000 would be used for MARC staff support for coalition building, convening, and project planning. Subcontracts would be awarded for architecture, engineering, planning, and other professional

services to further develop the projects identified for major investment. Ms. Nagel requested authorization to apply for the initial \$500,000 available in Phase One. She paused for questions, but there were none.

#### EFFECTIVE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

##### REPORT: Preview of 2022 State Legislative Agendas

Ms. Nagel shared a draft version of the 2022 state legislative agendas for Missouri and Kansas. Areas of focus include home rule authority for local governments, public health, safe and fuel-efficient transportation, childcare subsidies, climate adaptation and mitigation, education and workforce development, affordable housing, and digital access. Ms. Nagel encouraged Board members and other stakeholders to submit feedback for the final version of the agendas. There were no comments or questions.

#### EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION AND QUALITY PLACES

##### REPORT and VOTE: Approve Regional Priorities for Missouri Unfunded Transportation Needs

Mr. Martin Rivarola, Assistant Director of Transportation and Land Use Planning at MARC, shared that the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) seeks to update its unfunded transportation needs list by adding a third tier of road and bridge unfunded state system priorities and a new set of multimodal priorities. The goal of this unfunded needs list is to be able to react quickly with deliverable projects to any identified or secured funding and to provide a list of projects which represent where additional funding could be used. MoDOT has asked MARC to provide these prioritized project listings prior to September 30th. MoDOT district staff have worked with MARC to validate the previously approved listings for the first and second tiers for road and bridge projects and to develop an additional unfunded needs list for tier 3 (road and bridge) and multimodal projects. Mr. Rivarola reviewed the priority lists with the Board and paused for questions, but there were none.

#### BRIEF REPORTS

##### REPORT: Briefing on 2021 USDOT Certification Review

Mr. Ron Achelpohl, Director of Transportation and Environment at MARC, reminded the Board that federal planning regulations require the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transportation Administration to review and certify every region's metropolitan planning process every four years. He reviewed the findings from the 2021 Kansas City area certification review. MARC was fully certified with no corrective actions required. Mr. Achelpohl noted some of the administrative recommendations made in the course of the review, as well as the commendations that MARC received. He paused for questions, but there were none.

##### VOTE: Authorize a Federal Cost Share Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to Administer and Facilitate Phase One of the Little Blue River Watershed Feasibility Study

Mr. Tom Jacobs, Environmental Programs Director at MARC, shared that the Little Blue River Watershed is a 224 square-mile watershed, comprised of 12 jurisdictions including many substantial regional assets. Significant challenges in the watershed exist include flooding, water quality, sedimentation in the lakes, and erosion in the banks and bed of the main stem of the Little Blue and its tributaries.

Given the substantial historic federal investment in the watershed, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers received congressional authorization to launch a watershed feasibility study. The study will evaluate the causes and dynamics of identified problems, then evaluate and prioritize alternative solutions. Once the study is completed, the Corps would work with local communities

to implement solutions, with a cost share rate of 65% federal to 35% local. Study goals articulated to date include:

- Long-term viability of federal infrastructure investments
- Reliable flood protection along the Little Blue River and its tributaries
- Stable tributary channels, river banks, and bed elevation, and
- Natural habitat and ecosystem protection and restoration.

As the formal study sponsor, MARC will administer and manage the project, and facilitate discussions among the Corps and participating communities. Participating communities will contribute the required 50% of project costs through a formula based on the percentage of land area in the watershed attributable to each community. Participating communities at this time include Belton, Blue Springs, Independence, Jackson County, Kansas City, Missouri, Grandview, Lee's Summit and Raytown.

The overall project is estimated to cost between one and three million dollars. Given the uncertainty regarding the details of overall project scope and cost, communities agreed to collaborate in an initial process to clarify the project's scope and budget. Total phase one costs will be \$70,000. Local communities will contribute a total of \$45,000, and federal resources will provide a match of \$25,000. MARC will retain \$20,000 for administration, project management, and facilitation. This process is anticipated to be completed by the end of the first quarter of 2022. At the conclusion of Phase One, staff will report back to the Board about outcomes and next steps. Mr. Jacobs paused for questions, but there were none.

#### REPORT: 2021 Transportation Performance Measures Update

Mr. Chris Upchurch, Technical Project Manager at MARC, reviewed the 2021 Transportation Performance Measures Report and key findings. He noted the upward trend of fatality rates in our region over the last decade. Serious injuries in the region had been on the decline in recent years but saw a slight uptick in the most recent data set. Travel time reliability, which is examined to measure congestion, was high which indicates reliable travel times in the region. Travel time reliability saw large increases in 2020, as roads were less congested. The number of miles of streets with protected bike facilities continue to increase. Ozone levels in the region continue to fall just under federal standards. Finally, Mr. Upchurch reported that more than 70% of interstate highway pavement is in good condition, and only 0.20% of pavement is in poor condition. Non-interstate highways are not as good, with 50% of pavement in good condition and 3% in poor condition. The percent of bridges in good condition is on the decline, although the percent of bridges in poor condition has not changed much. Mr. Upchurch paused for questions, but there were none.

### CONSENT AGENDA (ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS)

#### VOTE: Approve Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes of the August 24, 2021 Board Meeting
- b. Authorize a Grant Application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development to Support Homelessness Management Information System Work
- c. Authorize Solicitation and Acceptance of Funds from the States of Kansas and Missouri to Support the Air Quality Program
- d. Approve Updates to the Functional Classification System
- e. Authorize a Contract to Provide Support to The Family Conservancy's Start Young Program
- f. Approve Actions Taken at the June 14, 2021 and September 13, 2021 Joint Head Start Policy

Council and Advisory Committee Meetings

- g. Authorize MARC Head Start to Implement a Retention Pay Plan for Direct Service Providers' Staff in Response to COVID-19

MOTION: Commissioner Janeé Hanzlick moved for approval of all agenda items and the consent agenda, and Mayor Pro Tem Beto Lopez seconded. Commissioner Johnson asked if any member wanted to abstain or object to any of the agenda items. Mayor Pro Tem Lopez has a standing disclosure of his conflict of interest in contractual matters between MARC and his employer, Guadalupe Center, and he is recorded as having abstained from a vote on agenda item 7-g. All others were in favor of approving agenda items 2-i through 7-g. The motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

MEETING SUMMARY APPROVED:

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Harold Johnson, Chair

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Date



# AGENDA REPORT

## MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-b  
Core Competencies

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Approve Local Government Dues for 2022

### BACKGROUND:

Counties and cities in the region participate in MARC programs in a number of ways. Programs like Operation Green Light and 9-1-1 have service-based fees. Dues and voluntary contributions provide general support to MARC operations. Although they are less than 2% of MARC's overall budget, they are unrestricted funds that provide a foundation for a broad range of regional programs and initiatives, and they can be used as matching funds to leverage federal, state, and private grants. MARC receives an annual allocation from the State of Missouri that is also used for general support. The base amount is \$10,670 but the timing and amount of that allocation varies from year to year.

The nine counties and six largest cities in the region (named as incorporating members in MARC's bylaws) pay annual dues calculated on a per-capita basis. The five counties on the Missouri side of the region and the cities of Independence and Kansas City, Missouri also pay an annual match (calculated per capita) as part of MARC's Area Agency on Aging. Other cities in the MARC region are asked to pay basic dues based on population. In addition, all communities are asked to make program-specific voluntary contributions to the Government Training Institute (based on number of employees) and the Government Innovations Forum (calculated per capita).

In order to provide enough time for agencies to include an accurate amount for MARC dues in their budget, normally staff brings modifications to the Board for consideration a year ahead. However, based on MARC's bylaws 2022 dues must be recalculated based on the 2020 census numbers. Those numbers were only recently released.

Since 2014, the Board has approved a 2% annual increase to help keep up with inflation, which is staff's recommendation for 2022. When doing the re-calibration for the new census, the total dues amount is increased by 2% and the percent changes in population are reallocated based on the amount. Because of a combination of the 2% increase and population changes, some agencies saw their dues decrease from 2021 to 2022.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

Attached is a detailed schedule showing the proposed amounts by agency and program, including the overall change from 2021 (which includes the impact of the census change and the 2% increase). Below is a chart that shows a five-year history of contributions to each program.

2022 MARC LOCAL DUES SUMMARY	Actual 2016	Actual 2017	Actual 2018	Actual 2019	Actual 2020	Actual 2021	Proposed 2022
Members' Dues	\$ 382,225	\$ 389,877	\$ 397,682	\$ 405,643	\$ 413,763	\$ 422,046	\$ 431,001
Aging Local Match - Missouri	70,886	71,785	72,703	73,637	76,731	78,265	79,830
Voluntary Dues	65,035	66,300	68,159	69,435	70,709	71,984	80,309
Government Innovations Forum	130,579	137,427	138,517	141,634	147,945	150,907	185,635
Government Training Institute	75,294	76,412	75,444	79,493	78,925	79,332	90,815
Total	\$ 724,019	\$ 741,801	\$ 752,505	\$ 769,842	\$ 788,073	\$ 802,534	\$ 867,590
Summary of Increases	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%

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In 2021, the amount invoiced was \$825,315. The overall increase for invoiced dues from 2021 to 2022 is \$42,275. In 2021, we had 100% payment of Member's Dues, the Aging Local Match, and Voluntary Dues. We received 92% of the amount invoiced for GIF and 89% for the GTI fees.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve a two percent increase in local government member and voluntary dues, GTI and GIF membership dues, and the Aging local match for 2022.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Carol Gonzales  
Darlene Pickett  
Katelyn Click

## Proposed 2022 MARC Local Dues – Combined

Entity Name	Basic Local Dues	Voluntary Dues	GIF Dues Requested	GTI Dues Requested	Aging Local Dues	2022 Combined Total	2021 Combined Total	Change
Cass County	20,306		5,766	776	1,600	28,448	26,907	1,541
Clay County	29,909		8,651	3,105	3,205	44,870	41,811	3,059
Independence	15,919		7,207	4,656	3,205	30,987	30,755	232
Platte County	12,306		5,766	1,551	1,600	21,223	19,667	1,556
Ray County	5,000		2,880	357	1,600	9,837	9,774	63
Jackson County	80,654		8,651	6,209	28,648	124,162	123,870	292
Kansas City, MO	62,651		10,813	15,524	38,407	127,395	126,879	516
Johnson County	87,602		8,651	7,760		104,013	103,691	322
Kansas City, KS	19,865					19,865	19,865	-
Wyandotte County	12,328		7,207	6,209		25,744	25,481	263
Leavenworth County	15,580		4,325	2,329		22,234	22,103	131
Miami County	6,701		2,880	1,551		11,132	11,046	86
Overland Park	23,624		7,207	3,881		34,712	34,495	217
Lee's Summit	12,449		7,207	3,105		22,761	21,146	1,615
Olathe	17,152		7,207	3,881		28,240	28,023	217
<b>Total Member's Dues</b>	<b>\$422,046</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$94,418</b>	<b>\$60,894</b>	<b>\$78,265</b>	<b>\$655,623</b>	<b>\$645,513</b>	<b>\$10,110</b>
Basehor		793	722	357		1,872	1,225	647
Belton		2,755	3,606	776		7,137	6,908	229
Blue Springs		6,739	5,766	1,551		14,056	11,702	2,354
Bonner Springs		901	722	357		1,980	1,884	96
Buckner		339	361	357		1,057	1,052	5
Claycomo		154	361	357		872	866	6
De Soto		704	722	357		1,783	1,704	79
Edgerton		201	361	357		919	893	26
Edwardsville		542	361	357		1,260	1,194	66
Excelsior Springs		1,214	2,162	357		3,733	3,722	11
Fairway		480	361	357		1,198	1,143	55
Garden City		187	361	357		905	890	15
Gardner		2,678	3,606	776		7,060	6,457	603
Gladstone		3,112	4,325	776		8,213	7,872	341
Grain Valley		1,797	3,606	357		5,760	3,923	1,837
Grandview		3,014	4,325	776		8,115	7,062	1,053
Greenwood		692	722	0		1,414	590	824
Harrisonville		1,164	2,162	776		4,102	2,601	1,501
Kearney		1,196	2,162	357		3,715	2,005	1,710
Lake Lotawana		266	361	357		984	923	61
Lansing		1,292	2,162	357		3,811	3,743	68
Lawson		292	361	357		1,010	983	27
Leavenworth		4,295	4,325	1,551		10,171	9,744	427
Leawood		3,899	4,325	1,551		9,775	9,362	413
Lenexa		6,605	5,766	2,329		14,700	11,968	2,732
Liberty		3,469	4,325	776		8,570	8,295	275
Louisburg		571	361	357		1,289	1,192	97
Merriam		1,276	2,162	776		4,214	4,124	90
Mission		1,145	722	357		2,224	2,111	113
Mission Hills		413	361	357		1,131	1,099	32
North Kansas City		514	361	776		1,651	1,591	60
Oak Grove		938	722	357		2,017	1,927	90
Osawatomie		489	361	357		1,207	1,207	-
Paola		663	722	357		1,742	1,691	51
Parkville		818	722	357		1,897	1,686	211
Peculiar		646	722	357		1,725	1,225	500
Platte City		550	361	357		1,268	1,234	34
Pleasant Hill		1,009	722	357		2,088	1,975	113
Pleasant Valley		315	361	357		1,033	1,039	(6)
Prairie Village		2,640	3,606	776		7,022	6,720	302
Raymore		2,638	3,606	776		7,020	6,466	554
Raytown		3,451	4,325	776		8,552	8,337	215
Richmond		691	722	357		1,770	1,713	57
Riverside		461	361	357		1,179	1,036	143
Roeland Park		790	722	357		1,869	1,819	50
Shawnee		7,741	5,766	1,551		15,058	14,204	854
Smithville		1,197	2,162	357		3,716	2,010	1,706
Spring Hill		914	722	357		1,993	1,672	321
Sugar Creek		376	361	357		1,094	1,082	12
Tonganoxie		641	722	357		1,720	1,269	451
Weatherby Lake		239	361	357		957	899	58
Weston		202	361	357		920	889	31
Westwood		201	361	357		919	874	45
<b>Total Voluntary Dues</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$80,309</b>	<b>\$91,217</b>	<b>\$29,921</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$201,447</b>	<b>\$179,802</b>	<b>\$21,645</b>
<b>Grand Total Local Dues</b>	<b>\$422,046</b>	<b>\$80,309</b>	<b>\$185,635</b>	<b>\$90,815</b>	<b>\$78,265</b>	<b>\$857,070</b>	<b>\$825,315</b>	<b>\$31,755</b>

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### MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-c  
Safe and Secure Communities

#### ISSUE:

VOTE: Authorize a Grant Application to the Kansas Highway Patrol to Support Emergency Services Work

#### BACKGROUND:

MARC's Emergency Services programs help ensure the region's ability to prepare, respond, and recover with coordinated plans and high-quality training, technology, and equipment. Since 2012, the Kansas City region has been eligible to apply to its two states for a portion of their annual State Homeland Security Grant funding. The following grant application supports the region's efforts to sustain protection, response, and recovery capabilities.

MARC's grant application to the Kansas Highway Patrol's State Homeland Security Grant program will provide \$437,011 of FY22 funds to support critical training and exercises; collaborative, strategic, and operational planning; community resilience programming; cybersecurity; a portion of KC Regional Fusion Center operations; and essential equipment replacement and sustainment for the Kansas side specialty teams (hazmat, tactical, EOD and technical rescue, fatality management, and the Kansas City Regional Mortuary Operational Response Group).

Project	KS FY22
Management & Administration - Planning and Regional Coordination. Prepare reports and communications tools; engage stakeholders in meetings; reporting. (MARC staff services)	\$21,851
INFO SYSTEMS - WebEOC Sustainment (EOC crisis management software licenses/maintenance and vendor fees/contractor support)	\$18,300
TRAINING - Sustain Regional Training Program - staff, contractors, supplies. Includes training for Tech Rescue, MEMC, MARCER, Public Health and Multi-discipline training & coordination.	\$79,075
EXERCISE - Sustain Regional Exercise Program - staff, contractors, supplies. 5 exercises and follow-up from previous ones.	\$87,252
TRAINING & EXERCISE - Sustaining Statewide IMT Capability - 3 training conferences, intrastate full-scale exercise, and equipment/MiFis	\$8,000
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Regional Hazmat Team Capabilities - equipment warranties, replacement sensors, instrument calibration, tubes and cartridges, data access fees.	\$31,148
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustain Regional Technical Rescue Teams - FirstLook 360 Search Camera and Matterhorn Boot replacements.	\$7,155
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Regional Law Enforcement Capability & Addressing Emerging Threats - Training for 2 officers to attend DARC; NTOA for six tactical team members representing six departments, training supplies (simunitions), and Kinetic breaching tool	\$36,478
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Mass Fatality Response Capabilities - Purchase digital Xray sensor and site license	\$8,305
KC Regional Fusion Center - Staffing Sustainment for Fire/Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Health, and Medical Analyst (.75 FTE). National Homeland Security Conference (1 participant); National Fusion Center Conference (1 participant)	\$56,275
Cybersecurity Task Force - This project will continue to help implement the Regional Strategic Framework for Local Government cybersecurity in the Kansas City Region to increase cyber protection efforts and reduce	\$83,172

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vulnerabilities. The City of Overland Park, Kansas has identified security deficiencies on its recent 2020 NCSR relating to the City's traffic signalization network. This project would help implement critical advanced threat protection (ATP) to the City of Overland Park's traffic signalization network via next-generation firewall (NGFW) equipment and may serve as a pilot program for the region.	
TOTAL	\$437,011

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize application and acceptance of \$437,011 in FY22 Kansas State Homeland Security Grants.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Erin Lynch  
John Davis

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### MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-d  
Safe and Secure Communities

#### ISSUE:

VOTE: Authorize a Grant Application to the Missouri Department of Public Safety to Support Emergency Services Work

#### BACKGROUND:

MARC's Emergency Services programs help ensure the region's ability to prepare, respond, and recover with coordinated plans and high-quality training, technology, and equipment. Since 2012, the Kansas City region has been eligible to apply to its two states for a portion of their annual State Homeland Security Grant funding. The following grant application supports the region's efforts to sustain protection, response, and recovery capabilities.

MARC's grant application to the Missouri Department of Public Safety/Office of Homeland Security program will provide \$604,064 of FY22 funds to support critical training and exercises; collaborative, strategic, and operational planning; community resilience programming; cybersecurity; and essential equipment replacement and sustainment for the Missouri side specialty teams (hazmat, tactical, EOD, and technical rescue).

Project	MO FY22
Regional Planning & Collaboration - Conduct Strategic and Operational Planning to facilitate collaborative cross-jurisdiction and multi-discipline public and private planning and maintain decision-making processes for increased regional readiness. Supports portion of 5 staff	\$149,022
Workplan - Each regional council in MO receives \$25,000 to support regional homeland security activities such as information gathering and developing reports and other communications for agencies involved in the regional homeland security effort to maintain awareness and engagement of critical partners and provide the capacity to represent the region in a variety of state forums and to report back to the leadership of the RHSCC.	\$25,000
Management & Administration - Planning and Regional Coordination. Prepare reports and communications tools; engage stakeholders in meetings; reporting. (MARC staff services)	\$30,553
INFO SYSTEMS - WebEOC Sustainment (EOC crisis management software licenses/maintenance and vendor fees/contractor support)	\$18,500
INFO SYSTEMS - Badging & Accountability - subscriptions, licenses & supplies	\$9,680
TRAINING - Sustain Regional Training Program - staff, contractors, supplies. Includes training for Tech Rescue, emergency management, MARCER, Public Health, and Multi-discipline training & coordination.	\$175,703
EXERCISE - Sustain Regional Exercise Program - staff, contractors, supplies. 3 exercises and follow-up from previous ones.	\$48,967
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Regional Hazmat Team Capabilities - equipment warranties, replacement sensors, instrument calibration, tubes and cartridges, data access fees.	\$44,665
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustain Regional Technical Rescue Teams - FirstLook 360 Search Camera and Matterhorn Boot replacements.	\$43,302
SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Regional Law Enforcement Capability & Addressing Emerging Threats - Training for 2 officers to attend DARC; NTOA for six tactical team members representing six departments, and training supplies (simunitions)	\$19,700

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SPECIALTY TEAM EQUIPMENT - Sustaining Mass Fatality Response Capabilities - Maintain and enhance the capabilities of KCRMORG to handle mass fatalities and fatality surge situations. Funds to support ongoing training, upkeep of the Mobile X-Ray unit, and funds for storage of the trailer and assets in a rental building/cave to prolong the life of the trailer/tires/etc. due to protection from weather-related degradation	\$9,800
Cybersecurity Task Force - The project will continue the implementation of the regional cybersecurity strategic framework's action step number three (creating collaborative training opportunities to build a high-quality workforce) and action step number four (create a shared service model to support local governments).	\$12,172
Medical Reserve Corp - Provide minimal contractual support for the MRC to continue recruitment and placement of volunteers, provide training and exercises and conduct needed planning to mature operations and preserve volunteers built during COVID.	\$17,000
TOTAL	\$604,064

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize application and acceptance of \$604,064 in FY22 Missouri Department of Public Safety/Office of Homeland Security Grants.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Erin Lynch  
John Davis

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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-e  
Safe and Secure Communities

**ISSUE:**

VOTE: Authorize the Purchase of a Gas Detector to Support Homeland Security

**BACKGROUND:**

A request was made by the Kansas City, Missouri Fire Department for funding of a gas detector for hazmat incidents. Funding was approved by the Missouri Homeland Security Grant, which MARC oversees. The original price estimate of the equipment was \$45,000, however due to the COVID-19 pandemic prices have substantially increased. A budget increase of \$15,055 was approved by the MO Homeland Security Program in August 2021.

Sole source purchase of the Hazmat Elite is necessary due to the compatibility with systems already in use within the KCMO Fire Department. In addition, MARC has received a letter from the manufacturer (Smiths Detection) that FarrWest Environmental Supply, Inc. is the only authorized dealer in Missouri.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

This expenditure is included in the Missouri Homeland Security Grant budget approved by the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the purchase of equipment as listed above for a total cost of \$55,055.

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Erin Lynch  
John Davis



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MARC Board of Directors

October 2021  
Item No. 8-f  
Effective Local Government

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Approve an Agreement with Surdex to Provide Services for the 2022 Aerial Imagery Project

### BACKGROUND:

Since approximately 2008, many of the region's local governments have collaborated to fly the region every other year to produce orthoimagery (top-down map quality aerial imagery) that meets ASPRS Class 1 standards and has a resolution of 6-inch pixels. These standards ensure that measurements taken off the aerial imagery are accurate enough to be used to estimate the size and dimensions of buildings, an essential component of estimating their value for property tax assessment.

By agreeing to a common flight specification and creating a joint project, local governments have been able to save thousands of dollars on each flight through economies of scale. Costs are apportioned based on each local government's portion of the project area. Local governments own the imagery. MARC manages this project and acts as fiscal agent on behalf of local governments. For this work, MARC receives a 2.5% administrative fee and access to the imagery for its planning and other purposes.

MARC's Aerials Working Group oversees the aerial imagery project. They agree to the specifications, select the vendor, provide the necessary data and input the vendor needs, provide input, and perform quality control checks. On behalf of the Working Group, MARC issued an RFP for the 2022 imagery project in July 2021. The RFP maintained the requirement for imagery that meets the ASPRS Class 1 standards to ensure historical consistency with prior imagery.

Recently, a new model for delivering aerial imagery has been developed by some vendors. Instead of flying each region under a separate contract, they fly most cities twice a year regardless and then offer to license those cities the resulting imagery. They typically don't use all the ground control that a traditional flight does, so the imagery does not meet ASPRS Class 1 standards. It is still very useful for other purposes, such as development tracking, and offers leaf-on and leaf-off imagery annually, as opposed to only leaf-off imagery bi-annually. They may also offer an option for increased resolution (e.g., 3-inch rather than the standard 6-inch pixel size).

Because of the increased frequency, some local governments have decided they don't need to own the imagery or for the imagery to meet ASPRS Class 1 standards and have entered into licensing agreements with one of these non-traditional vendors, Nearmap. Jackson County, Independence, and Raymore have, or will soon have, such agreements.

Additionally, Johnson County annually acquires oblique imagery. This is taken at an angle, rather than top-down, and so allows viewers to see the sides of buildings. Because the processing necessary to create this imagery also produces orthoimagery as a byproduct, they also do not intend to participate in the 2022 aerial project.

Still, many other local governments want to maintain the standard imagery that has historically been delivered and local ownership of it. The anticipated project area for the 2022 flight is about 1,940 square miles, compared to 2,500 in some prior flights.

Because of the attractiveness of more frequent imagery updates, the Aerials Working Group has agreed to evaluate the need to maintain the requirement for the imagery to meet ASPRS Class 1 specification during the course of 2022, in preparation for a 2023 RFP and 2024 project. If this

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requirement could be relaxed, there may be greater ability to regain participants and so create larger economies of scale in the future. For the 2022 flight, however, this requirement remains in place.

Four vendors responded to the RFP: Surdex, Kucera, Atlantic, and Nearmap. Because Nearmap acknowledged their imagery did not meet the RFP specifications, they were dropped from further consideration. The remaining three all scored similarly and were invited to make a presentation on September 20, 2021. After the interviews, Surdex emerged as the clear choice of the Aerials Working Group.

	Proposal Score	Post Interview Average Rank	Number of 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Votes	Project Cost	Cost/Sq. Mile
Surdex	78	1.6	4	\$125,200	\$63.00
Kucera	77.2	1.7	1	\$134,000	\$67.00
Atlantic	75.8	2.7	2	\$138,817	\$69.87

The costs in the table above were prepared based on meeting the specifications in the RFP. In the last few aerial projects, the Working Group has chosen to add additional flight lines to the project beyond what was specified. This allows the processing of raw imagery into orthoimagery to only use the center portions of each image where building lean is at its minimum. The Working Group voted unanimously to again incur this additional cost, which raises the price of Surdex's bid to \$71 per square mile. Total project cost is estimated at \$141,000.

#### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

REVENUES	
Amount	\$141,000 + 2.5% = \$144,525
Source	Local governments
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	\$3,525
Contractual	\$141,000

#### COMMITTEE ACTION:

The Aerials Working Group, a sub-committee of KC MetroGIS, recommended the selection of Surdex as the 2022 aerial vendor.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize an agreement with Surdex for aerial imagery services in an amount not to exceed \$141,000, and authorize the necessary agreements with local government participants to apportion the costs.

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October 2021  
Item No. 8-g  
Competitive Economy

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Authorize Applications to the Ewing Marion Kauffman and Kresge Foundations to Support Grant Preparation Services for American Rescue Plan Funds

### BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) announced a number of grant opportunities through the American Rescue Plan in August, including the Good Jobs Program. The Good Jobs Program is intended to assist regions to form industry sector partnerships and design interventions to strengthen our workforce development, training, and education systems to serve all residents, particularly those in historically underserved populations (such as communities of color, women, and other groups facing labor market barriers). The four industry clusters initially identified are health care, information technology, advanced manufacturing, and logistics. Equity Cities, a national consulting firm, has been identified by KC Rising and the Kauffman Foundation to assist with convening organization representatives and drafting an application, which is due late January. Once a proposal has been drafted, we will ask the MARC Board and MARC CSC Board to authorize submission of the application. The EDA expects to make 30-50 grant awards with \$3 billion available for this program.

Congress also appropriated sizable grants to states, local governments, and other organizations with the passage of the American Rescue Plan. Congress is considering additional legislation that could add more resources to support communities in recovering from the pandemic. The Kresge Foundation has offered funding to support efforts at convening stakeholders and outlining funding strategies and proposals for resources to support a broad range of initiatives for regional economic recovery and progress.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

REVENUES	
Amount	\$70,000
Source	Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation
Amount	\$75,000
Source	Kresge Foundation
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Staff time and consultant services	\$75,000
Contractual	\$70,000

### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize applications to the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation and the Kresge Foundation for \$70,000 and \$75,000, respectively, to support preparation of grant proposals for EDA and other ARP funding on behalf of the region. Authorize an agreement with Equity Cities to support the EDA grant application as described above for \$70,000.

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October 2021  
Item No. 8-h  
Thriving Older Adults and Communities

### **ISSUE:**

**VOTE:** Authorize the Revision and Re-release of an Integrated Care Network Services RFP to Support Older Adults

### **BACKGROUND:**

An RFP has been released on a rolling basis for services offered under MARC's Managed Services Network (MSN) model of integrated care. The rolling basis allows for expedient accrual of member organizations to meet the various needs of health care contracts or other integrated care initiatives.

The current RFP has several redlined clauses due to updates. Staff recommend revising and re-releasing an updated, rolling version of the RFP, including the opportunity to onboard other Network Lead Entities around technology, data sharing, cooperative purchasing, and integrated care strategy, without necessarily contracting for direct service provision. In addition, experience under current contracts suggest a need to add commodity foods as a service line for cases where individual home-delivered meals are inadequate to meet a client or family need.

### **BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:**

Costs associated with the implementation of service provision for all recommended service providers will be incorporated into the SFY 2022 and/or 2023 Area Plan Budget.

### **COMMITTEE ACTION:**

The Commission on Aging recommended authorization to revise and re-release Aging's Integrated Care Network Services RFP.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize revision and re-release of Aging's Integrated Care Network Services RFP.

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October 2021  
Item No. 8-i  
Quality Early Learning

**ISSUE:**

VOTE: Approve Contract Extensions for Head Start and Early Head Start Support Services

**BACKGROUND:**

As part of its new grant structure beginning in the fall of 2018, Mid-America Head Start (MAHS) has been supporting Head Start and Early Head Start programs through contracts with individuals/agencies who provide a variety of support services for fourteen Tier 1 and Tier 2 programs serving a total of 825 children. Each contractor/agency was selected through an individual Request for Qualifications process conducted in Spring 2018. MAHS is requesting to extend these contracts for another 12 months from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022.

Contracted services include education coaching services for Head Start and Early Head Start classrooms, mental health services for classrooms and therapeutic services for children and families, and early intervention services for children with special needs and diagnosed disabilities.

The attached chart indicates the name of the individual or agency, the type of service to be provided, the hourly rate of service, total hours for the total 12-month period and the total dollar amount not to be exceeded for each contract. The grand total amount of these 12-month contracts is not to exceed \$311,840.

**BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:**

REVENUES	
Amount	\$311,840
Source	HS - EHS Core Grant (FY 2021-2022)
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Contractual	\$311,840

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve individual and agency contracts for on-site support services at Mid-America Head Start programs, as outlined in the attachment, from November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022 for a total amount not to exceed \$311,840.00.

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**Detail of On-Site Contracted Support Services for Head Start and Early Head Start Programs 2021-2022**

**Education/coaching contractors:** these individuals provide weekly coaching and training for no more than 10 classroom teaching teams each and will ensure the Head Start program's compliance with the terms of its contract for education services.

	hourly rate	total hours	total mileage	12-month total
Ann Camey	45.00	1,152	N/A	51,840.00

**Mental Health Consultants:** individuals / agencies with licensed mental health professionals who provide on-site mental health support for teaching staff in Tier 1 and 2 programs as well as individual therapeutic mental health services for all children and families.

	hourly rate	total hours	total mileage	12-month total
Amy Thompson	100.00	860	N/A	86,000.00
The Family Conservancy	100.00	1200	N/A	120,000.00

**Early Intervention Contractor:** this individual provides support services for children with suspected or diagnosed disabilities that includes on site observation and support for teachers and parents along with referrals and support in the implementation of Individualized Education Plans and Individualized Family Service plans.

	hourly rate	total hours	total mileage	12-month total
Karen Osborn	45.00	1,200	N/A	54,000.00

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October 2021  
Item No. 8-j  
Quality Early Learning

### ISSUE:

VOTE: Authorize a Contract to Provide Support to University of Missouri Kansas City’s “Strengthening the Missouri Early Childhood Workforce” Project

### BACKGROUND:

MARC’s Department of Early Learning provides leadership and support for the development and implementation of a community-driven, outcomes-based plan for a comprehensive early childhood system. A key component of the system is the early childhood workforce.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City Institute for Human Development (UMKC-IHD) is completing a project on behalf of the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education focused on strengthening the early childhood workforce in Missouri. The goal of these workforce development activities is to create steps to transform Missouri’s early childhood profession into one where the workforce is paid a livable wage and has access to: (1) quality professional development, (2) information about what constitutes a career in early childhood, and (3) assistance in moving through his/her career in early childhood.

The specific purpose of this project is to strengthen Missouri’s early childhood system (ages birth to five) through the implementation of strategies to address alignment and data collection, program development, systems design, messaging, and operationalizing information in a manner that is user friendly. UMKC-IHD is contracting with MARC Early Learning to support activities taking place between August 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.

**Note:** As a matter of disclosure, Dr. Julie Warm, who is the spouse of MARC Executive Director David Warm, is employed by UMKC-IHD and is a member of the project team supported by this contract. He has assigned oversight of this contract to Carol Gonzales, MARC’s Director of Finance and Administration.

### BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

The funding from this contract was not included in the 2021 budget for MARC’s Department of Early Learning and supports personnel costs.

REVENUES	
Amount	\$66,000
Source	UMKC-IHD contract with MO Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
PROJECTED EXPENSES	
Personnel (salaries, fringe, rent)	\$51,848
Research Services TA	\$14,152

### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize a contract agreement with UMKC-IHD, in an amount not to exceed \$66,000 to provide support for the Strengthening the Missouri Early Childhood Workforce project.

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