

Sept. 30, 2008  
Transportation subcommittee meeting

Present:

Todd Girdler, Charles Gruber, Carey Maynard-Moody, Bart Rudolph, Steve Stewart, Maryanne Hukle

Absent:

Kyle Schneweis, Lisa Pool, & Karen Clawson. Marc Epard has had to remove himself from the work group due to a new job.

Bart will research walking/biking as transportation options in our city/county. He will send his information to the work group for review and discussion. This was Marc's task before he had to step down from the work group.

Charles will research fuel efficiency-a low hanging fruit – as an avenue for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector of our city.

Discussion re traffic flow in the community

Re: Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS): Todd will apprise us of ITS in use and pending in the City as well as the congestion areas that exacerbate GHG emissions in Lawrence. Operational and geometrical concerns pose special challenges in this area.

Lisa and Karen's report on Land Use planning may need further condensing to fit within the chapter. All members of the transportation work group will take a look at it and share their thoughts with the group.

T-LINK: Kyle Schneweis offered to present to the group as he has been actively involved with this campaign at KDOT. Carey will consider drafting a letter from our group to send to Mayor Dever. The letter will suggest that the CPTF would like to see an environmental representative on the T-LINK (task force) and for the reason of advocating for controlling rapid climate change as a result of burning fossil fuel by cars and trucks.

Carey Will contact Richard Ziesenis, of Douglas County Health dept for reporting about measures the county is taking to stay within air quality compliance.

Kyle will submit his condensed version of his findings on carpooling and ride sharing before next meeting.

Carey will explore smallest city that has successful ZIP car programs as well as best source of public information on the true (hidden) cost of owning and operating a car.

Bart will report on current City Bike/Walk policies and programs with an eye for best practices not covered. Bart is taking up the slack left by Marc Epard's departure from the work group.

**Next Meeting: October 21, 2008**