



City of Independence Meeting

Rep. Sam Graves

TBD

1. **Infrastructure** (Total funding request approximately \$72 million)
 - **5.8 miles of Widening of Missouri 7 Highway (\$40 million)**. U.S. Army willing to provide land.
 - **Independence Square Streetscapes. (\$12.5 million)** Will improve walkability & mobility use access to the historic Independence Square. National Parks Service Visitor Center to be constructed.
 - **Truman Connected (\$11.6 million)** A continuous network of sidewalks, multi-use trails/bike lanes to tie the Harry S. Truman Library to the Truman Sports Complex. This project connects the Independence Square and Englewood Arts District with US 24 Highway & US 40 Highway with over 7 miles of multi-modal infrastructure improvements.
 - **US 24 Highway Complete Streets & Safety Improvements. (\$8.1 million)**. Safety & multi-modal improvements along the US 24 Highway Corridor (from Missouri 291 Highway to Sterling). MoDOT has determined that this section of US 24 Highway has been the most accident prone in the Kansas City District. A March 2, 2022 Kansas City Star article called the intersection of US 24 Highway and Sterling Avenue one of the 13 most deadliest in the Kansas City area.
<https://www.kansascity.com/news/local/article258773618.html>

2. **Commercial Vehicle Unit Enforcement Funding.** The State of Missouri receives a Federal Grant designed to reduce the number of crashes involving commercial motor vehicles. This program is the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP).

<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/grants/mcsap-basic-incentive-grant/motor-carrier-safety-assistance-program-mcsap-grant>.

The City of Independence Police Department wishes to operate a Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit. Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (H.R. 3684) the State of Missouri is expected to receive approximately \$53.4 million in funding for this program. This is a 55% increase in funding through the FAST Act.

Currently the Transportation Department is considering a waiver of the local match for this program. The City of Independence supports this waiver.

3. **Lake City Contract Funding**

<https://www.examiner.net/2022/03/05/lake-city-awaits-spending-decisions/>