



### Traffic Engineering Introduction

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## Vision and Mission



## Our Agency's Vision and Mission

### Vision

### Mission

To provide safe and efficient movement of people and goods in an equitable and sustainable manner To provide the highest quality service for the common good of our residents and visitors

# Structure, Services, and Staff



## Structure: Office & Field Operations

### Traffic Engineering (TE) Office:

Madison Municipal Building, 215 MLK Jr. Blvd, Suite 109

### **TE Field Operations (TE Shop):**

1120 Sayle St (Signing, Marking, Signal, Lighting, Fiber Communications)

4151 Nakoosa Trail (Radio Communications)



## Structure: TE Office Org Chart



## Structure: TE Shop Org Chart



# 8 Major Services

- Pedestrian Bicycle Services
- Signing
- Pavement Markings
- Traffic Signals
- Streetlighting
- Fiber Communications
- Radio Communications
- Planning and Data Services



### Service 1: Pedestrian Bicycle Services



- Ped/bike issues are integral to other services we provide, such as transportation planning, traffic signals, signing, streetlighting, pavement markings and traffic control plans
- Manages pedestrian and bicyle infrastructure improvements and program administration
- Provides education and outreach
- Administers School Crossing Guard Program

# Service 2: Signing



- Fabricates, installs, repairs, and relocates signs in the City
- Maintains over 50,000 signs
- Revenue from making and maintaining signs for other agencies and surrounding municipalities

## Service 3: Pavement Markings





- Installs and maintains pavement markings throughout the City
- For example, each year:
  - 140 miles of street centerline
  - 850 school crosswalks
  - 1,500 regular crosswalks
- Increasing demand for additional and more complex pavement markings: the growing lower stress bike infrastructure and the public's demand for safer pedestrian crossings

## Service 4: Traffic Signals



- Designs, installs, repairs, and operates traffic signals and conduits in the City
- Revenue from installing and maintaining traffic signals for other agencies and surrounding municipalities
- Currently maintains:
  - Over 400 traffic signals
  - Dozens of traffic cameras located in the City's ROW and frequent assistance on other City cameras
  - Numerous other devices: RRFBs, DFBs, safety beacons and ped/bike counters. Demand is increasing rapidly.
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# Service 5: Streetlighting



- Installs, repairs, and relocates streetlights
- Over 18,000 Street lights in City of Madison
  - Over 9,000 maintained by TE electricians
  - Rest maintained by the utility companies

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 Also maintains streetlights for and receives revenue from the State and 10 other communities throughout Dane County

## Service 6: Fiber Communications





- Installs, repairs, and maintains the City's fiber communication and conduit systems
- Maintains Metropolitan Unified
   Fiber Network (MUFN) fiber system
- Responsible for over 340 miles of backbone fiber optic

## Service 7: Radio Communications



- Installs, repairs, calibrates, modifies and tests two-way radios and associated electronic equipment; and plans, designs and installs municipal communications systems
- Maintains the City's digital P25 Simulcast Radio System with 23 channels and 8 tower sites
- Serves approx. 5000 users including city employees (MFD, MPD, Metro, etc); and users from Dane county, the State and various Federal agencies
- Handles 8 million calls with 14,000 hours of air time every year

## Service 8: Planning and Data Services





- Assists on the overall transportation and traffic planning, design and transportation engineering for the City
- Provides overall leadership for traffic safety programs in the City
- Transportation review for private and public development projects
- Works with neighborhoods and other government entitles in planning transportation improvements
- Data, mapping and permitting services

# People

### Permanent Employees: 70 Hourly/Seasonal Employees: 74 Total # of Employees: 144



Section	# of Permanent Positions
signing	13
streetlighting	7
pavement markings	4
communications	10
traffic signals	13
special services	10
ped Bike	4.6
general admin	8
Total	69.6

# Key Staff

- Yang Tao, City Traffic Engineer
  - Agency head, overseeing all staff and operations
- Vacant, Assistant City Traffic Engineer
  - Deputy to agency head, transportation planning and design, development projects
- Vacant, Assistant City Traffic Engineer (New)
  - New position added 2023, administration, employee development, field operations support
- Keith Pollock, Transportation Operations Analyst
  - Budgets, billings, purchases, operations analysis, licensing such as taxicabs
- Renee Callaway, Pedestrian Bicycle Administrator
  - Pedestrian Bicycle programs, education and outreach
- Eric Halvorson, Development Coordinator
  - Development review, data, mapping, permits

- Tom Mohr, Traffic Engineer 4
  - Safety, signing and marking, currently also serving as the Interim Assistant City Traffic Engineer
- Vacant, Traffic Engineer 4
  - Traffic signals, streetlighting, fiber communications
- Phil Nehmer, Traffic Operations Manager
  - Overseeing all field operations in traffic, electrical and communications
- Vacant, Traffic Operations Supervisor
  - Signing and marking operations
- Chad Veinot, Electrical Operations Supervisor
  - Traffic signal, streetlighting, fiber optic, and other electronic equipment in field
- Andy Oliver, Communications Operations Lead Worker
  - Radio communications, currently also filling in as the Communications Supervisor Trainee



## **Common Citywide Collaborations**



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Staff in our agency most often collaborate with these agencies across TeamCity:

Agency	Topic(s)
Parking Division	Parking Regulations, Signing and Enforcement
Metro Transit	Transit Operations and Accommodations, Transit Signal Priority, Bus Stops
Engineering Division	Street, Sidewalk and Path Design and Construction
Planning Division	Comprehensive and neighborhood plans, Development Projects
Information Technology	Fiber Communication, Cameras, Smart City Technologies
Police Department	Traffic Safety and Enforcement, Major Event and Incident Management
Metropolitan Planning Organization	Regional and Long-Term Transportation Planning
Fire Department and Public Health	Public Safety and Health issues, Emergency Response and Vision Zero
Other Public Works Agencies such as Streets, Parks, Fleet and Water Utility	Street signing, Shared-Use paths, Work Zone Safety, Traffic Control, Vision Zero, Electrical Vehicle Infrastructure
Other DPCED Agencies such as Economic Development and Building Inspection	Streateries, Small Cell Co-Locates and other Infrastructure Leases, Safety and Building Code Enforcement

### Boards, Committees, Commissions

Our agency staffs the following City of Madison Boards, Committees and Commissions:

Board, Committee, Commission	Key Staff
Transportation Commission	Yang Tao (Inaugural Executive Secretary) Aidan Larson (Current Recording Secretary)
School Traffic Safety Committee (Not an Official City BCC)	Tom Mohr Renee Callaway Ali Heinritz

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## **Agency Resources**

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# Our Agency's Key Links

- Agency Website(s):
  - Traffic Engineering Division Main Site: <u>https://www.cityofmadison.com/trafficengineering/</u>
  - Vision Zero: https://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/initiatives/vision-zero
  - Complete Green Streets: <u>https://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/initiatives/complete-green-streets</u>

- Let's Talk Streets: <u>https://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/initiatives/lets-talk-streets</u>
- Key Report(s):
  - City of Madison Crash Facts Report, Annually
  - <u>City of Madison Traffic Volume Report</u>, Periodically
  - Traffic Signal Priority List and Report, Annually
  - Vision Zero Annual Report, first report to be released soon
- <u>Wisconsin State Statutes</u>
  - Most important Chapters are <u>Chapter 346</u> and <u>Chapter 349</u>
  - Numerous sections of other chapters apply too
- Madison General Ordinances
  - Numerous sections in Chapters 10, 11, 12, 16 and 33

### Our Agency's Acronyms: Initiatives

VZ	Vision Zero
SSM	<ul> <li>Safe Streets Madison</li> </ul>
CGS	Complete Green Street
TDM	<ul> <li>Transportation Demand Management</li> </ul>
BRT	• Bus Rapid Transit
TSP	Transit Signal Priority
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## Our Agency's Acronyms: Resident Requests

AWS	• All Way Stop
TSPL	Traffic Signal Priority List
NPA	<ul> <li>No Parking Anytime</li> </ul>
RRFB	<ul> <li>Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon</li> </ul>
DFB	Driver Feedback Board
APS	Accessible (Audible) Pedestrian Signal
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## Our Agency's Acronyms: Industry Technical Jargons

MUTCD	Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices
AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic
ROW	• Right of Way
ITS	Intelligent Transportation System
ATMS	Advanced Traffic Management System
TSMO	• Transportation System Management and Operations
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## Our Agency's Acronyms: Organizations

NACTO	National Association of City Transportation Officials
ITE	Institute of Transportation Engineers
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization
WisDOT	Wisconsin Department of Transportation
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
USDOT	United States Department of Transportation
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## Our Agency's Acronyms: City BCCs

ТС	Transportation Commission
TPPB	• Transportation Policy and Planning Board
BPW	Board of Public Works
PC	Plan Commission
FC	• Finance Committee
СС	• Common Council
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