



Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting

**June 12, 2024
9:30 a.m.**

Agenda



**Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization
Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)**

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Central Texas Council of Governments Building
2180 North Main Street, Belton, Texas 76513

Regular Meeting: 9:30 A.M.

Virtual Meeting Link: [KTMPO BPAC Meeting](#)

Call in Number: [+1 \(872\) 240-3212](#)

Access Code: 756-809-085

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for Public Comment.
3. **Action Item:** Regarding approval of minutes from the March 27, 2024. (pg.)
4. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding BPAC Bylaw Revisions. (pg.)
5. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding Nomination for BPAC Membership, Ms. Teresa Chandler with the City of Nolanville. (pg.)
6. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding Officer Election for Vice Chair. (pg.)
7. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding review of the Draft 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Chapter 6, Bike and Pedestrian Network. (pg.)
8. **Discussion Item:** Regarding a Letter of Support for the City of Killeen's REPI application for the Westside Regional Park. (pg.)
9. **Discussion Item:** Regarding a presentation from Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. (pg.)
10. **Discussion Item:** Regarding revitalizing the Fitness Friendly Business Program. (pg.)
11. **Discussion Item:** Regarding local update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities. (pg.)
12. **Discussion Item:** Regarding public input received through May 2024. (pg.)
13. Staff Update: (pg.)
 - a) KTMPO Meetings;
 - b) Bicycle Network Analysis tool;
 - c) April National Distracted Driving Awareness Month;
 - d) May National Bike Month;
 - e) Air Quality.



14. Member Comments.

15. Next Meeting: September 11, 2024, at 9:30am.

16. Adjourn.

Item #3

Meeting Minutes



**KILLEEN TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPPO)
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)**

Wednesday, March 27, 2024
9:30 AM

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG)
2180 North Main Street
Belton, TX 76513

BPAC Voting Members

Chair Geary McCabe – Sun Country Cycling
Jason Deckman – City of Temple
Mike Anderson – Tri-City Bicycle

Joe Dyer – City of Belton
Gene Roberts – Fort Cavazos
Keller Matthews – BS&W Cycling Club

Additional Attendees

Jerri Jones – KOM Trails
Brett Jones – KOM Trails
Jesse Hennage - CTCOG
Brian O'Connor – Nolanville EDC
Callie Tullos – KTMPPO

Anita Janke – KTMPPO
*Hope Davis – KTMPPO
*Tane'ya Floyd – KTMPPO
*Alex Beaver – City of Harker Heights

**Denotes online attendee*

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Geary McCabe called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment: No comments were made by the public.

3. Staff Update: KTMPPO Meetings; Other Updates; Air Quality.

Hope Davis notified the committee of upcoming KTMPPO meetings through June. Ms. Davis provided updates from the January TxDOT BPAC meeting, noting that the draft Statewide Active Transportation Plan will be available in the summer of 2024, and the public ranked safety, connectivity, and accessibility as top priorities. The TxDOT BPAC meeting also featured presentations on the Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan and the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) on bicycle safety research. Ms. Davis encouraged BPAC members to regularly use the BNA and OpenStreetMap, as the data collected from these sources can help improve the bicycle and pedestrian network. Ms. Davis mentioned KTMPPO staff only received two scores from BPAC members for the Project Call Scoring, the future of BPAC's involvement in scoring projects is uncertain. She encouraged members to share any

recommendations to improve participation for the next Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Geary McCabe explained that during the Project Call Scoring workshop, the difference between BPAC's and TAC's scores sparked engaging discussions. Mr. McCabe also stressed the importance of boosting involvement for the next Project Call Scoring. Ms. Davis reported air quality for the month of February was 51 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 48 (ppb) at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from the December 13, 2023, meeting.

Joe Dyer made a motion to approve the December 13, 2023, meeting minutes seconded by Jason Deckman; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Item: Regarding Resolution 2024-04 April National Distracted Driving Awareness Month.

Anita Janke noted that the TPPB approved Resolution 2024-04 recognizing April as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Ms. Janke described the Distracted Driving Awareness campaign, including the videos featuring Judge Miller's #JustDrive message. Ms. Janke recommended bringing these resolutions to BPAC at the end of each calendar year to allow time to collaborate with community partners.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Resolution 2024-05 recognizing May 2024 as National Bike Month.

Keller Matthews and Jason Deckman explored the possibility of revitalizing the Fitness Friendly Business Program to boost pedestrian and cycling participation in BPAC. Anita Janke agreed to research funding options and assess the sustainability of the program and present information to the committee at the June 12, 2024, meeting. Ms. Janke explained the importance of Resolution 2024-05 recognizing May 2024 as National Bike Month. She placed an emphasis on the Ride of Silence being hosted by the City of Nolanville, on May 15, 2024.

Mr. Deckman made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-05 recognizing May 2024 as National Bike Month, seconded by Mike Anderson; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding Presentation on April 8, 2024, Solar Eclipse.

Jesse Hennage, the Assistant Director of Planning/Public Safety of Central Texas Council of Governments presented on the coordination of emergency services throughout the region during the Solar Eclipse.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding a presentation from King of the Mountain (KOM) Trails.

Brett Jones, President and founding partner of KOM Trails presented on designing and constructing high-quality, sustainable trails that integrate seamlessly with the natural environment, minimizing environmental impact.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding a presentation from Central Texas Master Naturalists.

Keller Matthews presented trail development principles supported by the Central Texas Master Naturalist program. Mr. Matthews detailed steps for volunteers to become Certified Texas Master Naturalists and maintain their certification. The presentation also highlighted the differences between KOM Trails and volunteer-built trails on public land.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities.

Anita Janke explained that the public and BPAC members can stay informed about local events by following KTMPO on social media. She also highlighted the SafeKids Mid Texas Coalition relaunch by McLane Children's Trauma Services and encouraged community involvement.

11. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through March 2024.

Anita Janke summarized eleven new public comments received since the December 2023 meeting.

12. Member Comments. Geary McCabe mentioned that an E-Bike company in Temple caught fire on March 23, 2024. Mr. McCabe encouraged all E-Bike users to follow the E-Bike battery warning labels. Also, Mr. McCabe discussed having the Corp of Engineers present on Dana Peak Trails at the June meeting. He also reminded the committee that the Vice Chair position will need to be filled at the June meeting.

13. Next Meeting: June 12, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

14. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the BPAC members at their meeting on _____.

Geary McCabe, BPAC Chair

Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director

Item #4

BPAC Bylaw Revisions

BPAC Bylaws Revisions

Background

In 2011, KTMPO recommended actions to promote pedestrian and bicycle improvements throughout the region. In 2016, the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was established to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the KTMPO region by identifying and recommending best practices and policies for cyclists and walkers.

The first bylaws were approved in 2016 and they were revised and approved amendments in 2019 and 2021.

Staff recommends reviewing the bylaws to include the following changes:

- Expand membership stakeholders to include citizen representatives for trails and equestrian interests.
- Review the nomination process.
- Review terms.
- Identify ex-officio members.
- Remove the “telephone” option as being considered “present”, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.
- Increase the quorum to 50% +1
- Clarify the procedure when the Chair or Vice Chair vacates their position before the term expires.
- Review the map.

Once BPAC has revised and approved the amendments, the bylaws must receive final approval from TPPB.

Action Needed: Consider forming a workgroup to update the bylaws or rely on staff to make recommended changes.

Item #5

Nomination for BPAC Membership

Nomination for BPAC Membership – City of Nolanville

Theresa Chander, Interim City Manager and City Secretary for the City of Nolanville, has requested to become a member of BPAC. She has an interest in Bicycle and Pedestrian activities in our region. Ms. Chandler will be filling the vacancy left by Kara Escajeda. The written statement is included in the packet.

Action Needed: Consider approval of new BPAC member.

From: Anita Janke <anita.janke@ctcog.org>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2024 4:28 PM
To: Teresa Chandler <tchandler@nolanvilletx.gov>
Cc: James McGill <james.mcgill@ctcog.org>; Callie Tullos <callie.tullos@ctcog.org>
Subject: RE: Representation for the City of Nolanville on Kileen-Temple Freight Advisory Committee

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Thank you, Teresa!

We look forward to working with you to improve the quality of life in our community.

Will Crystal Briggs continue to be the Nolanville proxy?

If not, is there someone you could appoint? It isn't a requirement, but if you can't attend the BPAC meeting, it adds value to our group to have a proxy that can vote on your behalf.

The proxy form is attached.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Anita Janke, PMP
Regional Planner/Public Engagement
CTCOG/KTMPO
Office 254-770-2364

From: Teresa Chandler <tchandler@nolanvilletx.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2024 9:25 AM
To: Anita Janke <anita.janke@ctcog.org>
Cc: James McGill <james.mcgill@ctcog.org>; Callie Tullos <callie.tullos@ctcog.org>
Subject: RE: Representation for the City of Nolanville on Kileen-Temple Freight Advisory Committee

Good morning, Anita,

I would like to submit my request to represent the City of Nolanville on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. If you need additional information from me, please feel free to reach out.

Thank you in advance!

Teresa Chandler

Interim City Manager

101 N. 5th Street | Nolanville, Texas 76559

Office: 254-698-6335 | tchandler@nolanvilletx.gov



From: Anita Janke <anita.janke@ctcog.org>

Sent: Friday, May 3, 2024 2:38 PM

To: Teresa Chandler <tchandler@nolanvilletx.gov>

Cc: James McGill <james.mcgill@ctcog.org>; Callie Tullos <callie.tullos@ctcog.org>

Subject: RE: Representation for the City of Nolanville on Kileen-Temple Freight Advisory Committee

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Thank you, Teresa!

Also, can you send an email requesting to represent Nolanville on the BPAC committee? It doesn't have to be as formal as the FAC request.

Thank you,

Respectfully,

Anita Janke, PMP
Regional Planner/Public Engagement
CTCOG/KTMPO
Office 254-770-2364

Item #6

Officer Election for Vice Chair

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Vice Chair Vacancy

The Vice Chair position became vacant when Kara Escajeda resigned in Spring 2024.

Election of Officers, Chair, and Vice Chair are held each year in September. The Bylaws state that officers shall serve a one-year term and may not succeed themselves in office more than once.

Office election options are:

- Nominate and elect Vice Chair to serve until September 2024 and hold new election.
- Nominate and elect Vice Chair to serve until September 2025.
- Hold nomination and election until September 2024.

Action Needed: Consider nomination and election of Vice Chair to serve until September 2025.

Item #7

Review of the Draft 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Chapter 6, Bike and Pedestrian Network

Draft 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)**Background**

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a 25-year document that outlines the state of current transportation, projects future needs, and offers projects and other methods for keeping the people and freight in the KTMP region moving efficiently. The MTP encompasses all aspects of transportation planning as well as transportation projects within the KTMP region. Each local entity submits projects within their jurisdiction for possible inclusion into the MTP, and the Transportation Planning Policy Board (TPPB) prioritizes these projects based on the needs of the region. This plan is required to be updated every five years.

Chapter Updates

During review of the existing 2045 MTP staff determined that some chapters are extremely out of date and needed to be fully rewritten while other chapters would be okay with only updated information.

Since Chapter 6 was significantly updated, staff wanted to provide BPAC with an opportunity to review and provide feedback as a committee.

Public Meeting & Comment Period Schedule

- Public Comment Period begins June 3, 2024, and ends July 17, 2024
- In-Person Public Meetings
 - In-person Meeting
 - Tuesday, June 18, 2024, from 4:00 – 6:00 pm
Harker Heights Public Library 400 Indian Trail
Harker Heights, TX 76548
 - Saturday, June 22, 2024, from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Copperas Cove Public Library 501 S. Main St.,
Copperas Cove, TX 76522
 - In-person Meeting with Live Virtual Option
 - Wednesday, June 26, 2024, from 12:00 – 1:00 pm
Central Texas Council of Governments 2180 N Main St
Belton, TX 76513
GoTo Meeting Link: <https://meet.goto.com/938515829>
Call in Number 1 (224) 501-3412 Access Code: 938-515-829

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item #8

**Letter of Support for the City of
Killeen's REPI Application for the
Westside Regional Park**

Letter of Support for the City of Killeen's REPI Application

Background

In 2023, the United States department of Defense (DoD) joined forces with Department of Interior (DOI) to preserve land around military installations and improve access to outdoor recreation through the Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program. The heavy and constant training load at Fort Cavazos creates a number of encroachment concerns with the city of Killeen, Copperas Cove, Gatesville, and other adjacent communities. Development pressures can lead to restrictions on training that causes noise, dust or smoke, uses pyrotechnics, or requires a dark-night sky. To alleviate these concerns, Fort Cavazos is partnering with the Compatible Lands Foundation to protect undeveloped and compatibly used lands, particularly near heavily used maneuver lanes and live-fire ranges. The Fort Cavazos project aims to protect the local agricultural heritage and maintain the military mission so important to the local economy. By preserving farms, ranches, and important natural resources in the area, while supporting recreational opportunities, the project is helping avoid potential conflicts with training activities and protecting military readiness. ([Link](#))

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.



Mr. Dan Reece, Local Park Grant Program Manager
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, TX 78744

June 7, 2024

Reference: Westside Regional Park, City of Killeen

Dear Mr. Reece,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed development of the Westside Regional Park. This regional park would a great benefit the community by preserving natural areas, and providing safe, accessible trails for bicyclists and pedestrians to enjoy. It would be a welcome addition to the area and improve recreation access for individuals and families of Killeen, Fort Cavazos, and neighboring cities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Uryan Nelson
Director, Killeen-Temple MPO

Item #9

**Presentation from Texas Parks and
Wildlife Department**

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Presentation

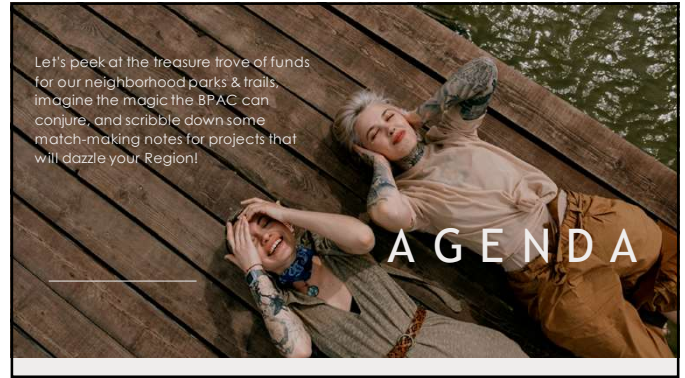
Kara Escajeda to present on the Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Kara Escajeda is the Local Park Grants Coordinator at Texas Parks & Wildlife. Kara was formerly the City Manager for Nolanville for nine years and retired as an Environmental Science and Engineering Officer from the military after 22 years. She was stationed at Fort Cavazos more times than not during her military career and considers Central Texas her home. She believes there is so much potential to link recreational amenities with greenway trails in the region and all it would take is a concerted effort led by the BPAC to fill the gaps between our amazing Cities.

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.



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Mission & Philosophy

Mission

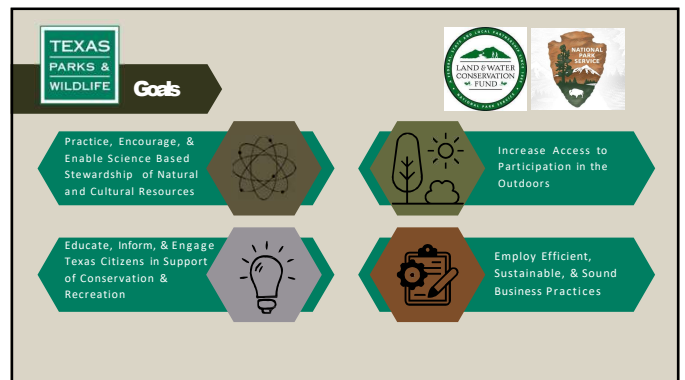
To manage and conserve the natural and cultural resources of Texas and to provide hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.

Philosophy

In fulfilling our mission, we will: Be a recognized national leader in implementing effective natural resources conservation and outdoor recreational programs; Serve Texans, visitors, and our employees with the highest standards of service, professionalism, fairness, courtesy, and respect; Rely on the best available science to guide our conservation decisions; Responsibly manage agency finances and appropriations to ensure the most efficient and effective use of tax-payer and user fee resources; Attract and retain the best, brightest, and most talented workforce to successfully execute our mission.

Goal 2
Increase access to and participation in the outdoors.

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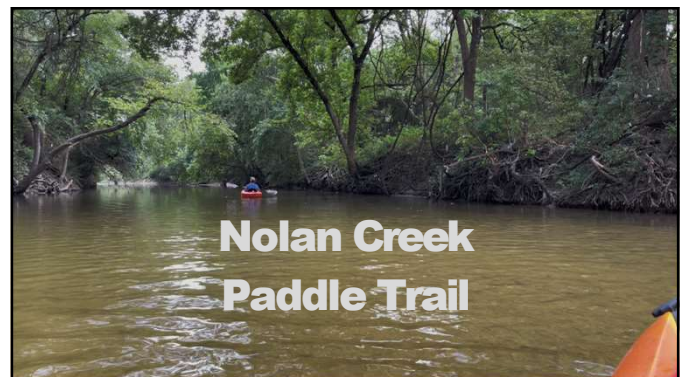


Recreational Trail Grants

The reimbursable grants can be up to 80% of project cost with a maximum of \$300,000 for non-motorized trail grants and a maximum award of \$500,000 for motorized (off-highway vehicle) trail grants (call 512-538-4427) for more information regarding potential motorized trail grants). Funds can be spent on both motorized and non-motorized recreational trail projects such as the construction of new recreational trails, to improve existing trails, to develop trailheads or trailside facilities, and to acquire trail corridors.

Grants are generally due Feb 1 each year.

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Accessibility

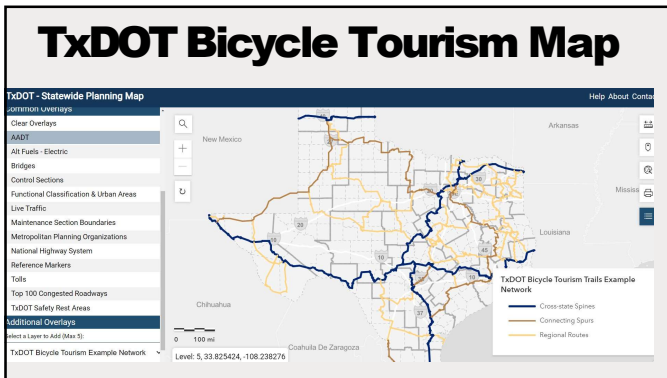
American Planning Association
Metrics for Planning Healthy Communities
May 2017

Providing easy access to public parks and open spaces is key to increasing recreational physical activity.

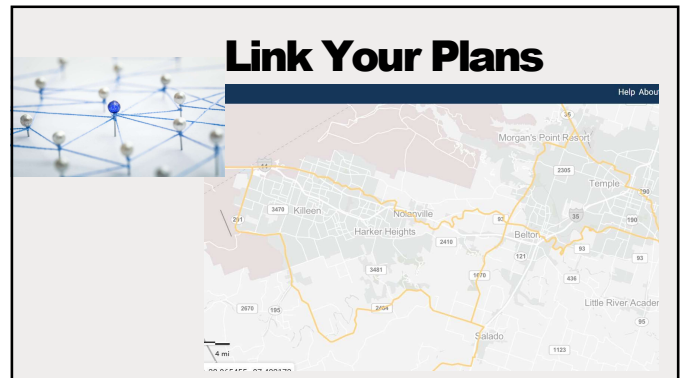
Access to parks is especially critical in urban areas because of the lack of open spaces, and efforts should be taken to preserve them.

Domain	Sub-domain	Both Environmental Assessment Indicators	Planning Policies
Active Transportation	Active Transportation	- Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a bicycle lane or path - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a multi-use trail - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a transit station	- Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation
Recreation	Recreation	- Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a park or open space - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a multi-use trail - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a transit station	- Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation
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Environmental Resilience	Environmental Resilience	- Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a park or open space - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a multi-use trail - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a transit station	- Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation
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Climate Resilience	Climate Resilience	- Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a park or open space - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a multi-use trail - Percentage of population living within 1/4 mile of a transit station	- Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation - Encourage development that supports active transportation
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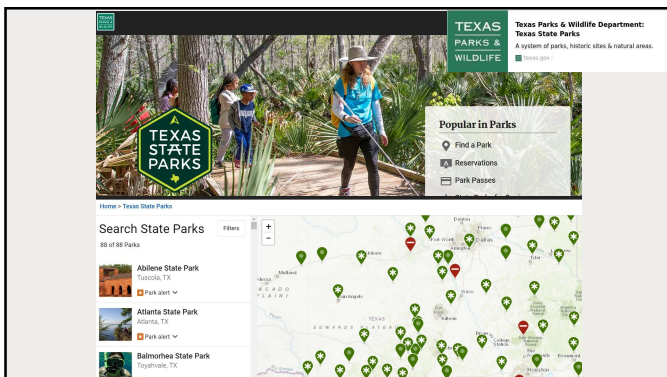
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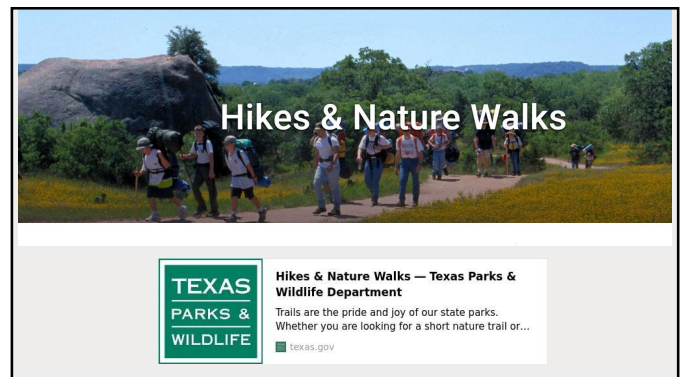
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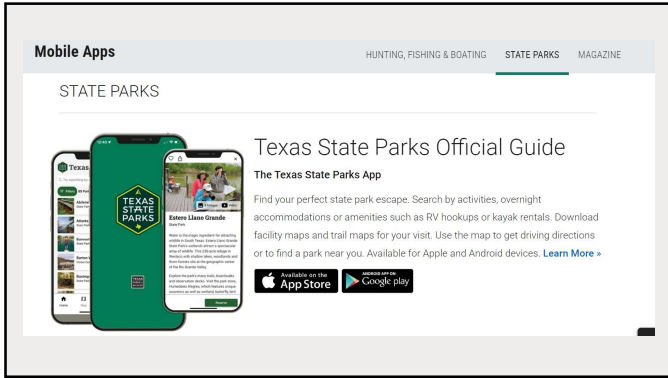
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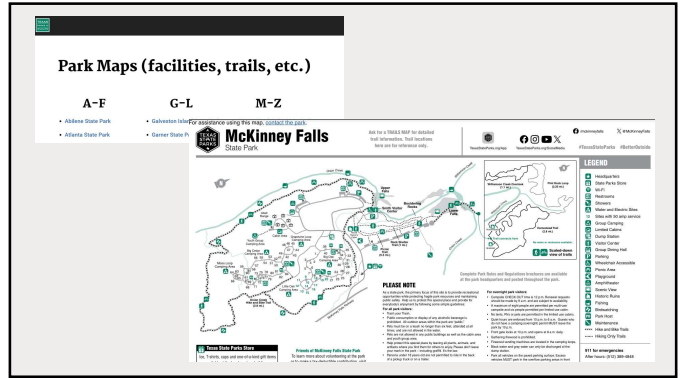
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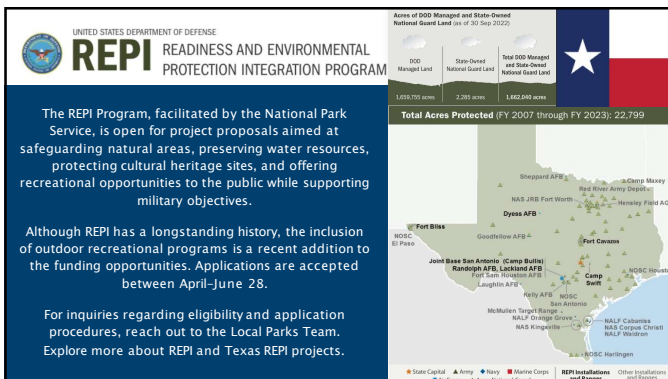
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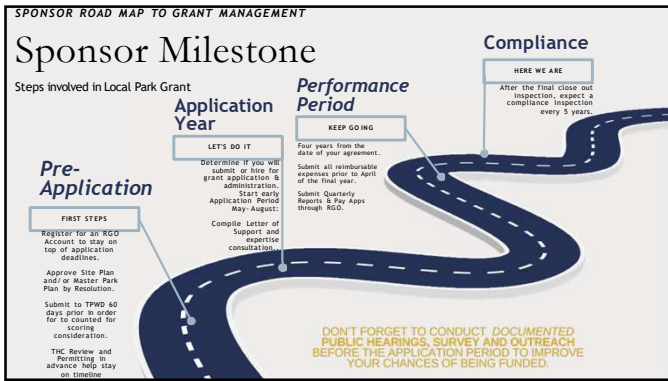
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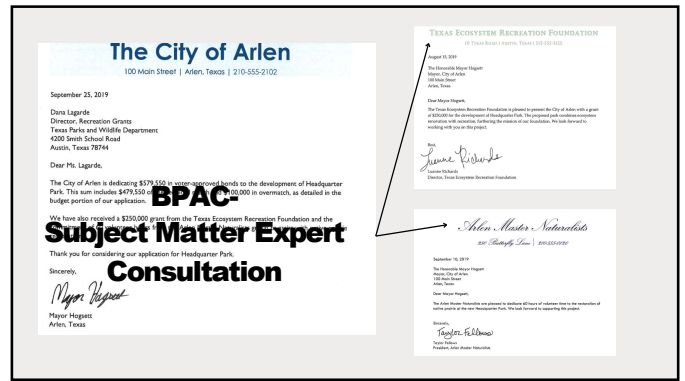
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PROJECTS

"Park investments provide health benefits by increasing the number of park users, influencing how users engage with parks, and increasing the amount of greenspace within an urban area to reduce the negative impacts from air pollutants, heat, noise, and climate-related health risks."

1. Open space
2. Habitat and bird blinds
3. Riparian area establishment or restoration
4. Butterfly/hummingbird gardens
5. Interpretive signage
6. Tree planting/seed stomps.
7. Bird Counts
8. City Nature Challenge - iNaturalist
9. Nature Centers

TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE

Wildscapes

Texas Wildscapes is a habitat restoration and conservation plan for rural and urban areas. It enables Texans to contribute to wildlife conservati...

Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

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Central Texas Master Naturalist April 2024 Newsletter

Passive and Planned Engagement

Nature based installation become of focal point that can educate passively and during reoccurring outreach events.

Our Chapter will be there with fun activities and maybe some butterflies!

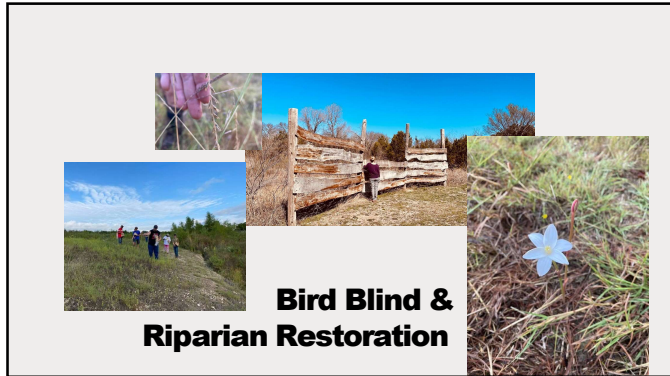
2024 MONARCH FESTIVAL

100 Gold Star Ave, Nolanville, April 20th 2024 9 AM-12 PM

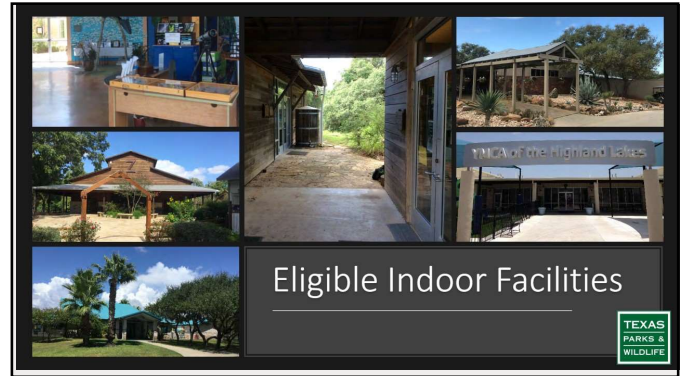
DJ, PETTING ZOO, FACE PAINTING, KITES, VENDORS.

Central Texas Master Naturalists love working with City of Nolanville on nature projects and events. We will be at the Monarch Fest with all sorts of pollinator activities for kids. Come to the Monarch Fest and find us!

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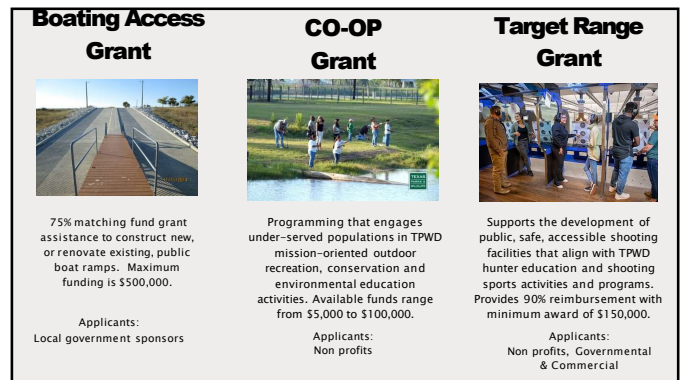
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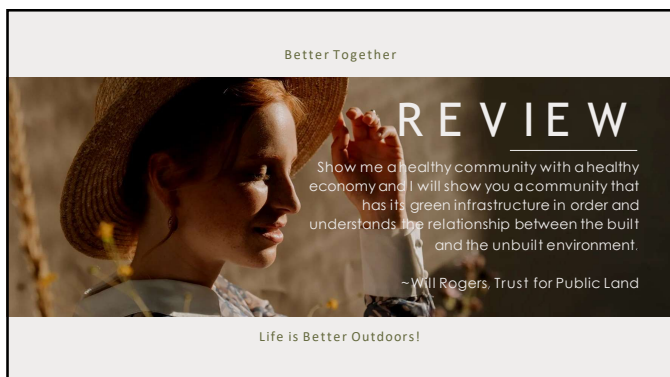
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Item #10

Revitalizing the Fitness Friendly Business Program

Update on the Fitness Friendly Business Program**Background**

The Fitness Friendly Business program recognizes local businesses as being bicycle and pedestrian friendly. This initiative can drive economic success, decrease congestion, promote healthy lifestyles, and increase quality of life. Businesses catering towards cyclists and pedestrians can provide several positive impacts, not only the community, but for the business. Non-motorized users can save on fuel and vehicle maintenance costs, allowing them to spend more on goods, hobbies and recreational activities. Bicyclists and pedestrians are more likely to notice businesses when biking and walking than traveling in an automobile, which can also drive economic success.

Update

At the March 2024, BPAC meeting members discussed the program and asked staff to research and provide an update.

Findings

This program has not been active since 2017, staff reviewed the application, brochure and financials and learned there was only one application processed that collected the \$25 fee. Also, the eligibility requirements appear to be barriers for our region. Staff has determined that the current rules and regulations hinder the program's goals of promoting bicycling and pedestrian activities. Although the program's intent is beneficial for the community, it is constrained by these regulations. To revitalize the program, staff recommend that BPAC form a work group and begin collaborating with District Development of Central Texas (DDCT) to explore city interest in promoting bicycle tourism. The next DDCT meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2024.

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item #11

Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities

Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities

Local updates on bicycle and pedestrian activities are a standing item for staff and BPAC members to discuss and share information regarding recent local and regional bicycle and pedestrian events, equestrian activities, outdoor news, and local and state parks, etc.

Due to the ever-evolving landscape of bicycling and pedestrian activities and to provide consistent, up-to-date information, KTMPO staff recommends utilizing various social media channels, primarily KTMPO Facebook ([Link](#)) to communicate local and events, activities, and news.

Date	Race	Location	Website
6/15/2024	Holland Corn Festival	Holland, TX	Link
6/15/2024	Viking 1M, 5K, 10K, 15K & Half Marathon	Temple, TX	Link
6/15/2024	IBCC Juneteenth 5K	Killeen, TX	Link
6/22/2024	F.I.R.E. Family & Friends	Killeen, TX	Link
7/13/2024	Toughest 10K in Texas 5K & 1-Mile Run	Lampasas, TX	Link
7/27/2024	Cops & Robbers	Salado, TX	Link
8/3/2024	HEB Plus Summer Run to Fun	Copperas Cove, TX	Link
10/19/2024	Volkssride	Salado, TX	Link

Safe Kids Coalition

Safe Kids Mid-Texas is led by McLane Children’s Baylor Scott & White Hospital injury prevention program. Based on the needs of the community, this coalition implements evidence-based programs, such as car-seat checkups, safety workshops and sports clinics, that help parents and caregivers prevent childhood injuries. ([Link](#))

Currently, injury prevention initiatives that impact the work of KTMPO are the Free Car Seat Program and the Annual SafeKids Day and Bike Rodeo.

Texas Trails and Active Transportation Conference 2024 ([Link](#))

September 4-6, 2024

Hyatt Regency Austin

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item #12

**Public Input Received through May
2024**



June 12, 2024

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Agenda Item # 12

Public Input Received

KTMP has been collecting public comments received online, via emails, public hearings, meetings, social media accounts, web maps and other forms of communication. Staff bring these to the TAC and TPPB on a regular basis to ensure the MPO boards are aware of public concerns and have the opportunity to respond accordingly. Public input received through the previous month is included in the meeting packet.

Public Comment Log				
Date	Means of Public Comment	Public Comment	Public Comment Topic	Jurisdiction
4/20/2024	Email	Establish a consistent speed limit of 65 MPH or higher (70 preferred) for all three lane portions of Interstate 14. There is no more of a discernible safety concern at the requested speed than there would be in any other one way three lane interstate or most FM and RM roads within the county and state. Turn FM 2484 into a 3 or 4 lane road from the Stillhouse Road turnoff heading east into Salado. If not, at a minimum repair the damage caused by 18 wheelers that creates lane changing potholes and bumps and/or restrict 18 wheeler, specifically rock haulers, from traveling this road. Review and adjust the road pathway, specifically the curvature on approach, of the intersection of Knights Way and Mountain Lion Road in Harker Heights. The positioning of the traffic lights makes the intersection appear closer upon approach although travelers still have to navigate the curve of the road. Imagine running a race where the finish line is straight ahead, however to get from point A to the finish line you have to run a “J” pattern. That is what occurs here. In the current configuration, this creates a safety hazard of red light runners and lack of visibility to pedestrians and other travelers. Area wide mandate of all cross walk intersections to comply to a countdown plus X seconds before light change. Using Harker Heights as an example, the pedestrian cross walk will count down when it hits zero, the light goes to a fast yellow and red. A 2-3 second delay here would allow for pedestrians to clear the roadway and not be a countdown for motorists to floor it to get to and through the intersection. Thanks for allowing us to give feedback. While I realize that this feedback is very specific to a set area of the county, I do hope that it is considered.	Safety	TxDOT / HH / Salado/ KTMP

Public Comment Log (cont..)				
Date	Means of Public Comment	Public Comment	Public Comment Topic	Jurisdiction
4/22/2024	Email	A citizen was asking if there are ride options for senior citizens or people with disabilities in the City of Troy area that need to go to Dr. visits or for shopping. One of the citizens is sight impaired. Currently there is a fixed route from Belton to Temple and plans for future routes with these programs? How much would the City of Troy have to subsidize this transportation service? How can I engage Troy citizens in this planning process?	Public Transit	HCTD

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

Item #13

Staff Update

Staff Update

a) Listed below are the upcoming KTMPO meetings:

- July 10, 2024 – Technical Advisory Committee
- July 24, 2024 - Transportation Planning Policy Board
- August 7, 2024 – Technical Advisory Committee
- August 21, 2024 – Transportation Planning Policy Board

All meetings are scheduled for 9:30am at the Central Texas Council of Governments offices in Belton, Texas, unless otherwise noted (i.e. – electronic meeting).

b) Bicycle Network Analysis Tool

During the December 2023 BPAC meeting, *People for Bikes* provided a comprehensive presentation about the regions’ bike infrastructure based on data from OpenStreetMap. OpenStreetMap emphasizes local knowledge and contributors range from GIS professionals to enthusiastic mappers who use aerial imagery, GPS devices and low-tech field maps. Staff are planning to schedule public education posts on social media. Encouraging the use of the BNA tool can contribute toward the improvement of the bicycle and pedestrian network.

c) April National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

d) May National Bike Month

e) Funding Opportunities

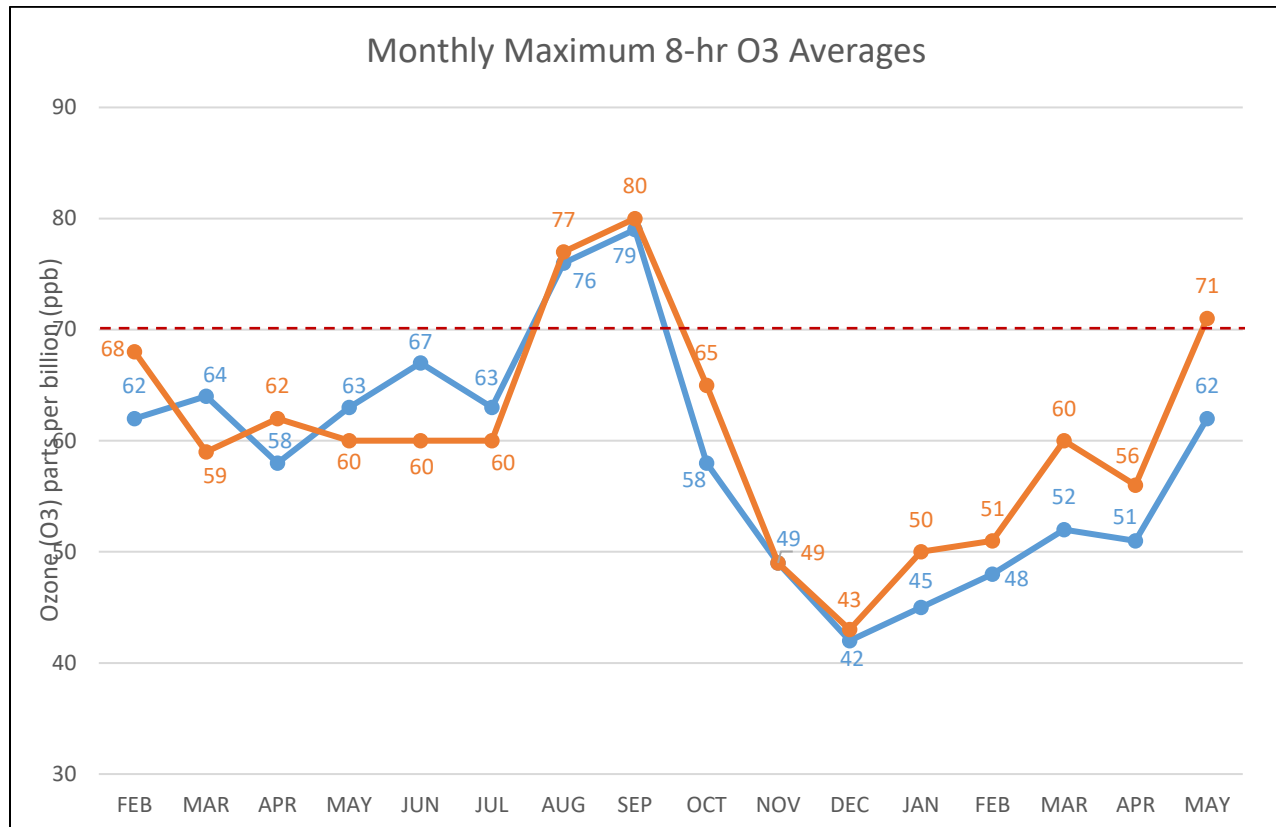
Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATTIP). The goal of the ATTIP grant is to integrate active transportation facilities with transit services, where available to improve public transportation. ([Link](#))

f) Webinars

Upcoming webinars regarding bicycle and pedestrian transportation are listed below. All of these webinars are free to the public.

- Learn How to Advocate for Trails Where You Live Webinar ([Link](#))
March 20, 2024
- Grants for Trails: Finding, Applying, and Managing ([Link](#))
July 18, 2024
- TPWD CO-OP Grants ([Link](#))
- People for Bikes Advocacy Academy ([Link](#))
Ongoing Webinars

e) Air Quality



Compliance with EPA Ozone				3-year average (Calculated on Feb 1, 2024)
Standard: 4th Highest Annual Value				
	2022	2023	2024*	
Temple	67	76	56	66
Killeen	69	76	59	68

Action Needed: No action needed; for discussion only.

KTMPO Contacts, Acronyms, and Terms



Commonly Used Transportation Related Acronyms and Terms

Organizations	Terms
KTMPPO	TMA
Killeen – Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization	Transportation Management Area
TPPB (KTMPPO)	MAP - 21
Transportation Planning Policy Board	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 st Century (legislation replaced SAFETEA-LU in July 2012)
TAC (KTMPPO)	SAFETEA – LU
Technical Advisory Committee	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act
FHWA	MPO
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration	Metropolitan Planning Organization
FTA	UPWP
U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration	Unified Planning Work Program
TxDOT	MTP
Texas Department of Transportation	Metropolitan Transportation Plan
TCEQ	TIP
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Transportation Improvement Program
TTI	STIP
Texas A&M Transportation Institute	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
CTCOG	STP-MM
Central Texas Council of Governments	Surface Transportation Program – Metropolitan Mobility
HCTD or “The HOP”	TAP
Hill Country Transit District	Transportation Alternatives Program
CTR TAG	UTP
Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group	Unified Transportation Program
BPAC	CMAQ
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program
	UA or UZA
	Urbanized Area
	EJ or “Title VI”
	Environmental Justice
	CMP
	Congestion Management Process
	ITS
	Intelligent Transportation Systems
	NAAQS
	National Ambient Air Quality Standards

A comprehensive listing with definitions is available under Transportation Planning Resources at www.ktmpo.org. Pages 61-65 of the publication “The Transportation Planning Process... is a great resource for commonly used Transportation terms.



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KTMPO Meeting Attendance

BPAC Meeting Attendance (FY24-25)						
Entity	Name	Date Appointed	12/13/2023	3/13/2024	6/12/2024	9/11/2024
City of Temple	Jason Deckman	Mar-21	M	M		
TxDOT Waco District	Daniel Davila	Dec-23	-	-		
City of Harker Heights	Alexandra Beaver	Mar-24	-	O		
City of Belton	Joe Dyer	Nov-23	M	M		
City of Killeen	Vacant			-		
City of Copperas Cove	Jeff Stoddard	Dec-23	-	-		
Fort Cavazos	Gene Roberts	Dec-23	M	M		
BSW Cycling Club Citizen Advocate	Keller Matthews	Dec-23	-	M		
Tri-City Bicycles Citizen Advocate	Chad Welch	Dec-23	-	P		
Sun Country Cycling Citizen Advocate	Geary McCabe	Dec-23	M	M		

Attendance Legend	
Member	M
Proxy	P
Online	O
Provided Advanced Notice	-
Not Present	-

End of Packet
