



**KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPPO)
Transportation Planning Policy Board (TPPB)**

Wednesday, July 24, 2024
9:30 AM

Regular Meeting

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

Policy Board Voting Members

Chair Judge Roger Miller – Coryell County	Councilmember Ramon Alvarez – City of Killeen
Vice Chair Councilmember Susan Long – City of Temple	Mayor Tim Davis – City of Temple
Mayor David Leigh – City of Belton	Councilmember Mike Pilkington – City of Temple
Councilmember Fred Chavez – City of Copperas Cove	Darrell Burtner for Raymond Suarez – HCTD
Kristina Ramirez for Mayor Michael Blomquist – City of Harker Heights	Judge David Blackburn – Bell County
Councilmember Ramon Alvarez – City of Killeen	Commissioner Bobby Whitson - Bell County

Non-Voting Members

Gene Roberts for Brian Dosa – Fort Cavazos

Additional Attendees

Bobby Lewis – City of Copperas Cove*	Victor Goebel – TxDOT Waco*
Tammy Cockrum – City of Rogers*	Keith Sledd – HOTDA*
Mayor Bert Henry – Village of Salado	Uryan Nelson – KTMPPO, Director
Gina Pence – Village of Salado	James McGill – KTMPPO
Manuel DeLa Rosa – Village of Salado	Anita Janke – KTMPPO
Gary Smith – City of Troy*	Callie Tullos – KTMPPO
Michael Yates – TxDOT Belton Area Engineer	David Lopez – KTMPPO
Nicole Gray – TxDOT Waco	Sam Agha – KTMPPO
Allen Matthews – TxDOT Waco*	Anna Barge – KTMPPO *
Daniel Davila – TxDOT Waco*	Tay Floyd – KTMPPO*
Amanda Nava*	

**Denotes online attendee*

Meeting Minutes:

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:31am.

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

3. Action Item: Approve minutes from the May 15, 2024, meeting.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the May 15, 2024, meeting minutes, seconded by Councilmember Fred Chavez; the motion passed unanimously.

4. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding a change to the September TAC meeting date.

Uryan Nelson informed the TAC there is a TxDOT conference that staff will be attending during the previously scheduled TAC meeting on September 4, 2024. Mr. Nelson proposed that the TPPB approve moving the TAC meeting to the following week on September 11, 2024. Mr. Nelson informed the TPPB that the TAC recommended approval of the date change during their meeting on July 10, 2024.

Several Board members expressed concerns about the date falling on September 11 and requested that staff keep the meeting brief and allow for flexibility in the start time.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the change to the September TAC meeting date to September 11, 2024, seconded by Kirstina Ramirez; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding approval of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

James McGill updated the TPPB of the 2050 MTP development process. Mr. McGill informed the TPPB of the completion of the Public Comment Period. Anita Janke expressed gratitude for the contributions from the TPPB and various stakeholders in the KTMPO Region to the 2050 MTP. Ms. Janke also gave an in-depth report on public engagement efforts for the plan. Mr. McGill explained that the Public Comment Summary will be available to the public and contains all the comments received during the Public Comment Period. Mr. McGill also explained that the TPPB will need to approve Resolution 2024-06 regarding the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan in order to adopt the 2050 MTP.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the 2050 MTP and Resolution 2024-06 Regarding the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, seconded by Mayor David Leigh; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding approval of the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Project Listing.

James McGill provided an update on the 2050 MTP listing, explaining that the project listing is also included within the MTP. However, staff included the approval of the 2050 MTP listing as a separate item, as the MTP Project Listing involved funding. Mr. McGill explained that the 2050 MTP Listing is fiscally constrained and that the projects selected for funding in the

FY25-28 are included in the listing. Any projects selected for funding during this period that are not already in the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) will be added in the upcoming TIP amendment. Mr. McGill addressed a question from the TPPB regarding let dates listed for the projects on the listing. Mr. McGill explained that changes to let dates are administrative amendments and can be changed as needed. Uryan Nelson also emphasized that any cities receiving funding for additional project should accept the funding and let staff know so those new projects can be added to the MTP Project Listing.

Darrell Burtner made a motion to approve the 2050 MTP Project Listing, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding direction for Phase 2 of the Texas National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Plan implementation in the KTMPO region.

James McGill updated the TPPB of the NEVI Plan implementation process. Mr. McGill explained that staff recently met with TxDOT regarding Phase 2 of the NEVI Plan implementation which requires MPO coordination for study area and charger power levels. Mr. McGill presented the two study area options: 1) entire MPO Boundary or 2) specific area/corridors inside the MPO boundary and two charger power level options: 1) Direct Current (DC) Fast Charge or 2) Level II Chargers. Mr. McGill explained that staff's recommendation is to select the entire MPO boundary for the study area and the DC Fast Chargers for power level. Mr. McGill informed the TPPB that the TAC recommended staff's recommendation at their meeting on July 10, 2024.

Councilmember Fred Chavez made a motion to approve the entire MPO boundary as the study area and the DC Fast Chargers for power level, seconded by Councilmember Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding approval of a nominee for the Small and Rural Representative on the TAC.

Uryan Nelson provided an update on the Small and Rural Representative on the TAC, and explained the TPPB would need to select a new Small and Rural Representative as the previous representative, Ms. Cantu, is no longer able to serve the position. Mr. Nelson explained the new representative will serve the remainder of this year's term and the following term of FY25.

Commissioner Bobby Whitson made a motion to nominate Mayor Bert Henry as the Small and Rural Representative on the TAC, seconded by Judge David Blackburn; the motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion Item and Action Item: Regarding use of FY24 MPO safety planning funds.

Uryan Nelson provided an update on the FY24 MPO safety planning funds, explaining the State awarded the money for planning purposes after CTCOG and KTMPO were awarded the Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant. Mr. Nelson outlined two options for the funds. Option 1 would be to conduct 1-2 roadway safety audits (RSAs) in conjunction with ongoing SS4A work. Option 2 would be to purchase portable speed signs that could be used to log traffic

speeds and display feedback to drivers. Mr. Nelson explained the funds must be spent before December 31, 2024 and addressed questions from the TPPB.

Mayor David Leigh made a motion to approve the use of the FY24 MPO safety planning funds to purchase portable speed signs, seconded by Councilmember Fred Chavez, the motion passed unanimously.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding an update on the Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Grant.

James McGill provided an update on the SS4A Grant, noting that a quarterly report was recently submitted. Mr. McGill also updated the TPPB on the field visits for selected HSIP projects and reminded the Board of an upcoming revision to the SS4A project list.

11. Discussion Item: Regarding TxDOT updates on major construction projects in the KTMPO area.

Michael Yates provided an update on major construction projects in the KTMPO area and fielded questions from the TPPB.

12. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through June 2024.

Anita Janke provided an update on the public input received through June 2024 and noted that all comments received were addressed and sent to the appropriate jurisdiction.

13. Director's Update:

Uryan Nelson provided the schedule for the upcoming KTMPO meetings. Mr. Nelson updated the Board on recent discussion regarding the Texas MPO PL funding formula. Mr. Nelson explained that KTMPO is likely to receive some funding cuts due to these updates and the addition of one new MPO and two new TMAs. Mr. Nelson also updated the Board on TransPod efforts and new MPO Institute training courses. Mr. Nelson introduced two new staff members and reminded the TPPB that elections for officers will be held in September. Mr. Nelson mentioned that a Press Release from KTMPO regarding the SS4A Survey may be forthcoming. The maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of June were 67 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 70 ppb at the Killeen station.

14. Member Comments: No Comments.

15. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

These meeting minutes were approved by the TPPB members at their meeting on

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Judge Roger Miller, Chair

Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director