Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (KTMPO)
Transportation Planning Policy Board
Wednesday, September 10, 2025
9:30 AM

Regular Meeting
2180 North Main Street
Belton, TX 76513

Representing	Member	Attended	Alternate Attended
City of Belton	Mayor David Leigh	Y/A	Matthew Bates
City of Copperas Cove	Councilmember Dale Treadway	Y	
City of Harker Heights	Mayor Michael Blomquist	Y	
City of Killeen	Councilmember Ramon Alvarez	N	
City of Killeen	Vice Chair, Riakos Adams	Y	
City of Killeen	Councilmember Joseph Solomon	N	
City of Temple	Mayor Tim Davis	Y/A	Jason Deckman
City of Temple	Councilmember Karl Kuykendall	Y	
City of Temple	Councilmember Mike Pilkington	Y	
HCTD	Raymond Suarez	Y/A	Darrell Burtner
Bell County	Judge David Blackburn	N	
Bell County	Chair, Commissioner Bobby Whitson	Y	
Coryell County	Judge Roger Miller	N	
Lampasas County	Commissioner Bobby Carroll	N	
TxDOT – Waco	Stan Swiatek, PE	Y/A	
TxDOT – Brownwood	Greg Cedillo, PE	N	

Y= Attended Y/A= Alternate Attended N=Did not attend
**denotes online attendance*

Meeting Minutes:

1. **Call to Order:** Commissioner Bobby Whiston called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment: There were no public comments.

3. **Action Item:** Regarding approval of minutes from the July 16, 2025, meeting.

   Mayor David Leigh made a motion to approve the July 16, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.

4. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of Resolution 2025-11 proclaiming October 2025 as National Pedestrian Safety Month in the KTMPO Region.

   Anita Janke reported that October, traditionally observed as National Walk to School Month, will now be recognized as National Pedestrian Safety Month. She noted that there were 39 pedestrian-involved crashes in the KTMPO region in both 2020 and 2023, which prompted the shift in focus. Ms. Janke also reported that ATAC's last meeting included a pedestrian safety presentation and handouts.

   Mayor Michael Blomquist made a motion to approve the Resolution 2025-11, seconded by Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.

5. **Discussion and Action Item**: Regarding nomination and election of TPPB Chair and Vice Chair for FY2026.

   Commissioner Bobby Whitson noted that he currently serves as Chair and Councilmember Riakos Adams as Vice Chair, and both were willing to continue if no other members wished to seek the positions. Commissioner Whitson reminded the members that nominations were required for the Chair and Vice Chair roles. Mayor David Leigh nominated Commissioner Whitson for Chair, with Mayor Tim Davis seconding. Mayor Leigh also nominated Councilmember Adams for Vice Chair, and Mayor Michael Blomquist nominated himself. Each candidate provided a statement on their interest in serving. Commissioner Whitson ran unopposed for the position of KTMPO Policy Board chair.

   Mayor David Leigh made a motion to nominate Commissioner Bobby Whitson for TPPB Chair, seconded by Tim Davis; the motion passed unanimously. The Vice Chair position was put to a vote, resulting in four votes for Adams (Councilmember Adams, Councilmember Pilkington, Mayor Davis, and Mayor Leigh) and three votes for Blomquist (Mayor Blomquist, Councilmember Kuykendall, and Councilmember Treadway). Councilmember Adams remains in the Vice Chair Position.

6. **Discussion and Action Item**: Regarding approval of the KTMPO TAC and Policy Board Meeting Schedule for CY2026.

   Uryan Nelson presented the meeting calendar for the remainder of 2025 and for 2026. He noted that adjustments were made to the 2026 calendar, including moving the September Policy Board meeting to avoid conflict. TAC recommended approval of the calendars with a special request to move the September meeting to September 23rd. Mr. Nelson also reminded members that no meetings are scheduled for August, November, and December unless a special meeting is needed.

   Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the KTMPO TAC and Policy Board Meeting Schedule for CY2026, including adjusting the calendar to move the September meeting to the 23rd, seconded by Dale Treadway; the motion passed unanimously.

7. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of KTMPO Logo and Seal redesign.

Uryan Nelson clarified that the proposed logo update was not a rebranding effort but intended to better align the KTMPO logo with the CTCOG logo. He noted that the primary changes involved color and font adjustments. Kylee, CTCOG, explained that the color adjustment maintains the same color scheme, but the deeper blue supports ADA accessibility compliance as part of the new government accessibility requirements. She also noted that all text would be updated to uppercase. Ms. Young added that, while these updates bring the organization into alignment, further logo changes could be considered in the future if members expressed interest.

Mayor David Leigh made a motion to approve option one and let staff explore a full logo redesign at a later date, seconded by Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.

8. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of vendor for KTMPO website redesign.

Uryan Nelson provided a brief overview of last year's discussion regarding the website redesign. He noted that CTCOG contacted multiple vendors and obtained quotes to compare pricing and quality. Mr. Nelson stated that staff recommended Golden Shovel as the preferred vendor. Kylee Young explained that the hosting platform was a key factor, noting challenges with multiple users editing simultaneously, and highlighted that Golden Shovel's platform supports concurrent users. Another key factor in the recommendation was Golden Shovel's strong security measures, including dual cloud backups, along with free ongoing training and onboarding for new employees. Jason Deckman added that the onboarding features are especially beneficial during staffing transitions.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the vendor for the KTMPO website redesign, seconded by Dale Treadway; the motion passed unanimously.

9. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of vendor for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Management Software.

Uryan Nelson noted that staff has been exploring options over the past year to improve TIP management, as the current manual process increases the risk of errors. He explained that staff met with two vendors and determined that Tetra Tech best fit KTMPO's needs. Mr. Nelson Explaind the UPWP already has funding allocated for purchasing TIP Management Software. Commissioner Whitson added that the TAC recommended Tetra Tech as well, citing its high level of customization compared to the limited, module-based approach offered by Eco Interactive.

Mayor David Leigh made a motion to approve the vendor for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Management Software, seconded by Michael Blomquist; the motion passed unanimously.

10. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of solicitation for Consultant Services for MTP Project Scoring components to include Congestion Management Process (CMP), Regional Vulnerability & Resilience Framework (RVRF), Travel Demand Model demographics, and Objective Scoring.

Kendra Coufal stated that the MTP scoring process will take place within the next 6–9 months, and consultant services need to be in place by that time. She noted that staff drafted task orders for each effort, which were included in the meeting packet. Ms. Coufal requested that any changes be communicated to staff so they can be made; otherwise, the task orders will be issued within the next 30 days.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve solicitation for Consultant Services for MTP Project Scoring components, seconded by Dale Treadway; the motion passed unanimously.

11. **Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding the ratification of KTMPO's submission of comments to USDOT's Request for Information on the Next Surface Transportation Reauthorization, Docket No. DOT–OST–2025–0468.

    Uryan Nelson reported that, following the last TAC meeting, he submitted a response to USDOT's request for information into the Surface Transportation Reauthorization docket. He noted that only minor changes were made and that the Template was provided by AMPO.

    Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve solicitation for Consultant Services for MTP Project Scoring components, seconded by Raymond Suarez; the motion passed unanimously.

12. **Discussion Item:** Regarding an invitation to KTMPO's 50th Anniversary Celebration on October 15, 2025.

    Uryan Nelson announced that KTMPO will celebrate its 50th anniversary next month during the October Policy Board meeting. He noted that the invitation is open to TAC members as well as other committees. Mr. Nelson also mentioned that staff is preparing a presentation to be shown during the meeting.

13. **Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the FY2026 Unified Transportation Program (UTP) Funding.

    Callie Tullos explained that the UTP serves as a statewide funding allocations for transportation for the next 10 years. Ms. Tullos reviewed the historical funding amounts from 2020 to 2025 and shared projections for the 2026–2029 plan, highlighting KTMPO's allocated funding across each category.

14. **Discussion Item:** Regarding Amendments to the FY2025-2028 TIP and 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

    Callie Tullos reported that the November TIP will include eight transit projects undergoing formal amendments. She noted that HCTD will add four projects and remove four. Additionally, one highway project will be added to the TIP, as it was recently included in the 2026 UTP. A NEVI project will also be added in Belton near the Expo Center, which will feature electric vehicle charging stations. Ms. Tullos provided a brief overview of the projects undergoing administrative amendments, noting that two will be moved to the grouped project list and one project has a let date change.

Anita Janke gave an overview of the public comment period, stating that it will run from September 15–29. She noted that a meet-and-greet, open house–style event will be held at the Copperas Cove Library on September 19. Ms. Janke also listed the other outreach events and their corresponding dates.

15. **Discussion Item:** Regarding possible updates to funding and scoring methodology.

    Uryan Nelson reported that following the last Policy Board meeting, staff met with NCTCOG and CAMPO to review their project scoring processes. He noted that after those meetings, staff identified several areas that could be adjusted in KTMPO's scoring process. Mr. Nelson explained that NCTCOG is a much larger organization with greater funding resources, which has made direct comparisons difficult. He then provided an overview of CAMPO's scoring process, highlighting that their primary emphasis is on project readiness. He proposed holding a workshop with TAC and the Policy Board to further discuss potential adjustments or to gather additional information from CAMPO.

16. **Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the ATAC Active Transportation Plan.

    Anita Janke explained that the Active Transportation Plan aims to demonstrate planning readiness. She noted that staff has been working on the plan for about nine months and has faced some GIS limitations. Ms. Janke described the map developed by staff, which includes layers for schools, public comments, and the SS4A Safety Action Plan, along with pedestrian and bicycle input. She outlined the plan's four main goals: connectivity, general comments, HOP/public transit, and healthy communities and safety. Ms. Janke also provided an update on the delayed timeline.

17. **Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the FY22 and FY25 Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Grants.

    Callie Tullos provided a brief overview of the completed SS4A Plan, noting that one of the key accomplishments was achieving the required in-kind match for the grant. She stated that staff is currently finalizing the grant closeout documentation. Ms. Tullos mentioned that staff is awaiting notification on the status of the FY2025 Implementation and Demonstration grant application.

18. **Discussion Item:** Regarding public input received through August 2025.

    Anita Janke provided an overview of public comments received, noting that 30 comments were submitted in July and 40 in June, bringing the total for the year so far to 111. She highlighted a few questions from the public and explained how each city assisted in researching the answers. Ms. Janke also mentioned receiving 70 comments from the 2-1 survey and noted the challenge of organizing which comments corresponded to which survey.

19. **Director's Update:**

Uryan Nelson provided several updates for the group. He reminded everyone that there will be no meetings in November and December and noted that some staff will be out next week attending the AMPO conference. He mentioned an AMPO policy meeting on Monday to discuss reauthorization efforts and that the TEMPO meeting will be held the following week. Mr. Nelson also gave an overview of the USDOT SAFEROADS initiative and the speed sign loaner program, encouraging members to take advantage of the program as no one has signed up yet. He concluded with an air quality update, reporting levels of 59 parts per billion for Temple and 53 parts per billion for Killeen.

20. **Member Comments:**

Riakos Adams made it known to the members that the National League of Cities is submitting comments participating in the rule making process and invites MPOs to participate and provide input.

21. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 10:55am.

These meeting minutes were approved by TPPB at their meeting on 10/15/2025.

ATTEST:

Commissioner Bobby Whitson, Chair

Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director