

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

Wednesday, September 14, 2022
9:30 AM

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

BPAC Voting Members Present

Chair Jason Deckman – City of Temple
James Grant for Vice Chair Matt Bates – City of
Belton*
Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville

Yvonne Spell – City of Harker Heights
Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District*
Gene Roberts – Fort Hood
Mike Anderson – Tri-City Bicycles

Others Present

Noah Heath – TxDOT Bike & Pedestrian
Rachael Perry – TxDOT Waco District*
Connie Quinto – KTMPO
James McGill – KTMPO

Hope Geiger – KTMPO
Anita Janke – KTMPO
Dominic Elizondo – KTMPO
Kolin Yancey – CTCOG

**Denotes online attendee*

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Jason Deckman called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. Public Comment:

Kara Escajeda received a public comment about Nolanville Road and Nolanville Elementary for congestion on the road for biking and pedestrian.

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

James McGill notified the group of upcoming KTMPO meetings through December. Mr. McGill provided an update on the FY23-26 TIP. Mr. McGill shared information from the July TxDOT BPAC meeting highlighting their Strategic Direction Report and other links to various FHWA and TxDOT resources. Mr. McGill also noted that TxDOT FY23 Transportation Alternative Call for Projects opening in October. Air quality for the month of August was 70 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 71 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from the June 8, 2022 meeting.

Kara Escajeda made a motion to approve the June 8, 2022 meeting minutes, seconded by Mike Anderson the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Item: Regarding election of officers for FY23

James McGill informed the board of the term limits of both chair and vice chair. Jason Deckman and Matt Bates are both available to do another term in those positions.

Jason Deckman agreed to another term as chair of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. Matt Bates declined to serve another term as vice chair. Kara Escajeda was nominated by Jason Deckman. Kara Escajeda agreed to serve as vice chair.

Mike Anderson made a motion to approve Jason Deckman as Chair and Kara Escajeda as Vice Chair, seconded by Kara Escajeda the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion Item: Regarding update on the Trail Highlight Series project.

Hope Geiger updated the committee on work done on the website since the last meeting to improve the design. KTMPO staff has worked to update the trail of the month and will continue to do so as advised from the committee at previous meetings. Heritage Oaks was selected as the trail of the month for September. Hope Geiger commented on staff working on a strategy to move hike and bike highlights to Facebook and posting trail of the month on the Facebook page as well. Ms. Geiger noted the continued effort being made to add more trails to the website and that more pictures are needed.

Kara Escajeda asked about creating a submission link or google folder on the website for individuals to submit photos and videos to KTMPO.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding Input on the Bell County Thoroughfare Plan Update.

James McGill introduced the project update and an overview of the project. Mr. McGill suggested we look at the maps and annotate them at the end of the meeting.

Jason Deckman gave an update on the City of Temple's process of completing an update on their Thoroughfare Plan. Mr. Deckman also commented on the importance of a county wide thoroughfare plan to link all the major projects and future goals for transportation between each city entity. Hope Geiger received comments from Keller Matthews on two places in Temple that need critical improvement, Shallowford Road between the west entrance to Lions Park and the west end at I-35, and on Kegley Road north of I-35.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects.

Noah Heath presented to the BPAC about the TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects.

Jason Deckman asked about common application mistakes and things that get you ranked higher. Kara asked about preliminary engineering cost and when those could be covered with this funding.

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

Hope Geiger gave an update on local bicycle and pedestrian activities happening until December.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through August 2022.

The KTMPO staff received two public comments since the last meeting. One regarding construction happening in Copperas Cove on Business 190. One regarding safety concerns on Chaparral Road.

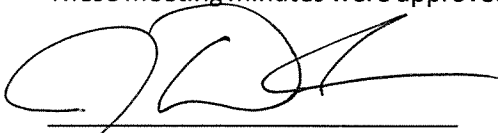
11. Member Comments.

Yvonne Spell mentioned Harker Heights working on their Thoroughfare Plan Update.

12. Next Meeting: December 14, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

13. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the BPAC members at their meeting on 14 Dec 2022.



Jason Deckman, BPAC Chair



Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director

