



**KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPPO)**

**Transportation Planning Policy Board**

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

9:30 AM

**Regular Meeting**

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG)

2180 North Main Street

Belton, TX 76513

**Technical Advisory Committee Voting Members**

Chair Judge Roger Miller – Coryell County  
Vice Chair Councilmember Susan Long – City of Temple  
Councilmember David Leigh – City of Belton  
Ryan Haverlah for Mayor Dan Yancey – City of Copperas Cove  
Mayor Spencer Smith – City of Harker Heights  
Councilmember Riakos Adams – City of Killeen\*

Tim Davis – City of Temple  
Commissioner Bobby Whitson for Judge David Blackburn – Bell County  
Anthony Woolstrum – Bell County  
Darrell Burtner – Hill County Transit District  
Victor Goebel for Stan Swiatek – TxDOT Waco District  
Jason Scantling for Greg Cedillo – TxDOT Brownwood District\*

**Non-Voting Members**

Brian Dosa – Fort Hood  
Justin Morgan – FHWA

**Additional Attendees**

Bob van Til – City of Belton  
Andrew Zagars – City of Killeen\*  
Kara Escajeda – Nolanville  
Derek Czapnik – Hill Country Transit District  
Keith Sledd – HOTDA  
Michael Yates – TxDOT Belton Area Engineer  
Brigida Gonzalez – TxDOT TPP\*  
Brenton Lane – TxDOT Waco District\*  
Nicole Gray – TxDOT Waco District\*  
Amanda Mooney – TxDOT Waco District\*  
Melissa Durham – TxDOT Waco District\*

Daniel Davila – TxDOT Waco District\*  
Austin Valentine – TxDOT Waco District\*  
Janet Sheguit – MRB\*  
Dan Malsom – Kimley-Horn\*  
Sarah M – Citizen\*  
Connie Quinto – KTMPO Assistant Director  
James McGill – KTMPO  
Hope Davis – KTMPO  
Anita Janke – KTMPO

*\*Denotes online attendee*

### **Meeting Minutes:**

**1. Call to Order:** Judge Roger Miller called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

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

**3. Staff Update:** Meeting Schedule; Other Updates; Air Quality.

James McGill informed the TPPB of Uryan Nelsons absence, due to attending an AMPO meeting in Washington D.C. Mr. McGill informed the Policy Board of upcoming KTMPO meetings through June. Mr. McGill provided an update on information shared at the TEMPO Spring Meeting and stated there will be an upcoming UPWP update. Mr. McGill mentioned the workshop to follow the Policy Board meeting on Transportation Funding. Mr. McGill added that TxDOT has started the first round of public involvement for Connecting Texas 2050, an update to their long-range plan. Maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of March were 59 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 64 ppb at the Killeen station.

**4. Action Item:** Approve minutes from the February 15, 2023, meeting.

**Ryan Haverlah made a motion to approve the February 15, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Tim Davis; the motion passed unanimously.**

**5. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding 2050 MTP Update Timeline.

James McGill provided an update on the current timeline for the 2050 MTP Update Timeline. Mr. McGill highlighted the call for projects scheduled for this fall, the development of the TIP next spring, and the date of final adoption for the MTP.

**6. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of Resolution 2023-04 supporting April 2023 as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month.

James McGill presented Resolution 2023-04 supporting April 2023 as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Mr. McGill highlighted the statistics surrounding distracted driving in Texas and Mr. McGill added that some new statistics for 2022 were released the previous week.

**Councilmember David Leigh made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-04 supporting April 2023 as National Distracted Driving Awareness with updates to the data, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.**

**7. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of Resolution 2023-05 supporting May 2023 as National Bike Month.

James McGill presented Resolution 2023-05 supporting May 2023 as National Bike Month. Mr. McGill stated that this resolution is presented every year to support bicycling in the region and added that BPAC recommended approval of this resolution with the addition of a reference to the Nolanville Ride of Silence event happening May 17, 2023.

**Mayor Spencer Smith made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-05 supporting May 2023 as National Bike Month, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.**

**8. Discussion Item:** Regarding initiation of public involvement for amendments to the FY23-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for projects:

- a) B45-03 – 13th Ave Sidewalk Improvements
- b) H30-05b – Warriors Path Phase II
- c) S45-01 – Royal Street Improvements
- d) T40-13a – Georgetown Railroad Trail Phase 1

James McGill provided a brief overview of the TIP and MTP. Mr. McGill presented the proposed amendments which include three projects changing their let dates to FY2024 and one project revising the scope of work, project cost, and changing the let date. Mr. McGill shared the proposed amendment schedule with the Policy Board and stated that the time and location of the public meeting will be determined soon.

**Commissioner Bobby Whitson made a motion to initiate public involvement for amendments to the FY23-26 TIP and 2045 MTP, seconded by Councilmember David Leigh; the motion passed unanimously.**

**9. Discussion Item:** Regarding the new Carbon Reduction Program (CRP).

James McGill provided an overview of the new Carbon Reduction Program and the funding amounts KTMPO will be receiving under the program. Mr. McGill explained that since funds under the CRP will lapse if not used that TxDOT has encouraged all MPOs to reprogram currently funded projects with CRP dollars. Mr. McGill shared a proposed funding scenario staff developed that would transfer funding from Category 7 & 9 to CRP funding for several projects currently funded in the TIP.

The floor opened for discussion. Several Policy Board members asked about funding given to the Killeen/Temple urban areas. Policy Board members also asked about the possibility of funding some of Hill Country Transit District with CRP funds.

**Commissioner Bobby Whitson made a motion to recommend approval of the staff recommended funding scenario for the Carbon Reduction Program, seconded by Ryan Haverlah; the motion passed unanimously.**

**10. Discussion Item:** Regarding Category 7 & 9 Project Funding.

James McGill shared with Policy Board that TxDOT is requesting all MPOs to program 90% of available funding over the next 4 years. Mr. McGill showed the available funding balances for Categories 7 & 9 and presented 3 different funding alternatives based on the next projects in the MTP. Mr. McGill noted that TAC recommended the approval of funding scenarios alternative 3, with the understanding that this does not lock in those projects and could be changed in the future. Staff stated that the alternatives could and probably would be revised in the future, especially once the next project call was completed. Mr. McGill informed the Policy Board that these alternatives are intended to act as placeholder scenarios in response to TxDOT's request.

Bobby Whitson asked why the \$60 million in Category 2 changes was not shown in the funding scenarios. James McGill clarified that those funds were previously approved by Policy Board to cover Category 2 project cost increases due to inflation. Anthony Woolstrum asked clarifying questions on a project.

**Commissioner Bobby Whitson made a motion to recommend approval of project funding alternatives #3, seconded by Ryan Haverlah; the motion passed unanimously.**

**11. Discussion Item:** Regarding appointments to the Bylaws, Safety, and Project Scoring Workgroups.

James McGill briefed the Policy Board that staff are still trying to fill a few spots on the working groups and that hopefully they will be ready to start up in May.

**12. Discussion Item:** Regarding a Safe Street & Roads for All (SS4A) Grant update.

James McGill provided an update at the current standing of the SS4A Grant. Mr. McGill mentioned that a kickoff meeting with Federal Highways and Coryell County, on April 24, 2023. Mr. McGill informed the Policy Board that a class covering the SS4A grant will be hosted at the Central Texas Council of Governments building on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and that more information will be provided once details are confirmed.

**13. Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the possible MPO Boundary Expansion.

James McGill provided information about the possible MPO boundary expansion. KTMPO has met with both the TxDOT Waco and Brownwood Districts and while there is no opposition to expansion from a planning perspective there are some concerns on the financial side. Mr. McGill informed the Policy Board that Uryan Nelson has requested a funding scenario from TxDOT to see what changes would happen if the MPO decided to expand.

**14. Discussion Item:** Regarding FY2022 Annual Performance and Expenditure Report (APER).

James McGill provided a brief overview of the KTMPO FY2022 APER that is submitted to TxDOT every year.

**15. Discussion Item:** Regarding public input received through March 2023.

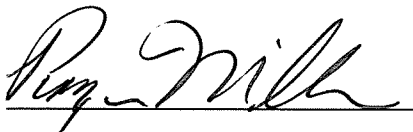
James McGill stated that staff have not received any new comments since the previous meeting.

**16. Member Comments:**

Victor Goebel announced the new Belton Area Engineer, Michael Yates. Judge Roger Miller asked Victor Goebel about the possibility of letting projects due to larger projects slipping through on project readiness. Victor Goebel said there is a good chance of this occurring.

**17. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the TPPB members at their meeting on May 17, 2023.



Judge Roger Miller, Chair



Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director