



KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMP)
Transportation Planning Policy Board (TPPB)
Wednesday, May 17, 2023
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 Davis Leigh – City of Belton	Derek Czapnik for Darrell Burtner – Hill County Transit District
Ryan Haverlah for Mayor Dan Yancey – City of Copperas Cove	Commissioner Bobby Whitson for Judge David Blackburn – Bell County
Kristina Ramirez for Mayor Spencer Smith – City of Harker Heights	

Non-Voting Members

Brian Dosa – Fort Cavazos*

Additional Attendees

Mayor Michael Blomquist – City of Harker Heights	Dan Malsom – Kimley -Horn
David Mitchell – City of Harker Heights	Janet Sheguit – MRB Group*
Don Ferguson – Village of Salado*	Wynstan Larsen – Citizen*
Dalton Rice – City of Morgan’s Point Resort	David Shaw – TDEM
Brigida Gonzalez – TxDOT TPP*	Uryan Nelson – KTMPD Director
Daniel Davila – TxDOT Waco District*	James McGill – KTMPD
Keith Sledd – HOTDA	Hope Davis – KTMPD
	Anita Janke – KTMPD

**Denotes online attendee*

Meeting Minutes:

- 1. Call to Order:** Judge Roger Miller 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: Meeting Schedule; Other Updates; Air Quality.

Uryan Nelson informed the Policy Board of upcoming KTMPO meetings through August. Mr. Nelson provided an update on information with the upcoming UPWP update. Mr. Nelson mentioned the cancellation of the workshop on Transportation Funding that was scheduled for April 19, 2023, and that if interest arises for the workshop, it will be rescheduled. Mr. Nelson mentioned that TxDOT is still seeking public comments on Connecting Texas 2050, their long-range plan update through the end of May. Mr. Nelson mentioned that staff is still working on the last stages of the Bell County Thoroughfare Plan and just hosted a public hearing on May 15, 2023, for the last round of public comment for the final plan. The last day for public comment is June 1, 2023, and KTMPO plans to have the plan ready for the Commissioners court on June 12, 2023. Mr. Nelson mentioned the 2024 solar eclipse coming through Central Texas and that KTMPO is starting to talk with local entities and surrounding counties on plans to mitigate traffic congestion. Maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of March were 58 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 62 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Approve minutes from the April 19, 2023, meeting.

Mayor David Leigh made a motion to approve the April 19, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action 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. Mr. McGill notified the Board that the Village of Salado submitted a request on Monday to withdraw the requested amendment to project S45-01. Mr. McGill explained that the Village originally requested the change due to concerns about the match amount since inflation doubled the project estimate, but that they have now found a source to cover the match and will be submitting a new request for additional funds to cover the higher cost estimate in the future. Mr. McGill shared that no public comments were received during the 15 day comment period. Mr. McGill clarified that TAC recommend approving all 4 amendments because the withdrawal request came after the TAC meeting and that staff's recommendation is for the Board to only approve the amendments for projects B45-03, H30-05b, and T40-13a.

Commissioner Bobby Whitson made a motion to approve the amendments to projects B45-03, H30-05b, and T40-13a in the FY23-26 TIP and 2045 MTP, seconded by Ryan Haverlah; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding the FY22 Annual Project Listing (APL) report.

James McGill presented the FY22 Annual Project Listing (APL) Report to the Policy Board. Mr. McGill mentioned that this year TxDOT informed all MPOs that the APL Report must undergo public involvement

according to federal legislation. Mr. McGill presented the public involvement schedule with comment period May 22, 2023 – June 5, 2023, and a public meeting on May 25, 2023, at 5:30 pm at the CTCOG Office Building. Mr. McGill mentioned that TAC made a recommendation to initiate public involvement at their meeting on May 3, 2023.

Mayor Tim Davis made a motion to initiate public involvement for FY22 Annual Project Listing (APL) Report, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding update from the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) on the 2024 Solar Eclipse.

David Shaw from the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) presented to the Policy Board ways the state is starting to prepare for the 2024 Solar Eclipse.

Several board members shared how they are preparing for the increase in tourism and traffic management for the event.

8. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding appointments to the Bylaws, Safety, and Project Scoring Workgroups.

Uryan Nelson updated the Policy Board on the status of the working groups. Mr. Nelson mentioned that appointment letters will be sent out soon.

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

Uryan Nelson provided an update on the current standing of the SS4A Grant. Mr. Nelson mentioned that staff had a kickoff meeting with Federal Highways (FHWA). Mr. Nelson provided details on submitting the draft agreement with Coryell County to the Federal Highway Administration. Mr. Nelson mentioned that staff have been working on the request for proposal (RFP) and once it is complete will be sent out and the selection process for the consultant can begin. Mr. Nelson informed the Policy Board of meetings with the county judges to discuss the funding match for the grant and that the current plan is to meet that match with in-kind contributions.

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

Uryan Nelson provided information about the possible MPO boundary expansion. Mr. Nelson mentioned that staff is still waiting to hear back from TxDOT on the request for a funding scenario.

Mayor Tim Davis asked if the expansion was only into TxDOT Brownwood district or both TxDOT Waco District and Brownwood District. Mr. Nelson responded that the expansion would be TxDOT Brownwood District for Lampasas County Expansion and TxDOT Waco District for the Coryell County Expansion.

11. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through April 2023.

James McGill informed the Policy Board of the one new comment KTMPO has received through email about safety concerns surrounding an intersection in Killeen, where FM 2484 meets SH 195. Mr. McGill stated that KTMPO has passed this comment onto the City of Killeen.

12. Member Comments:

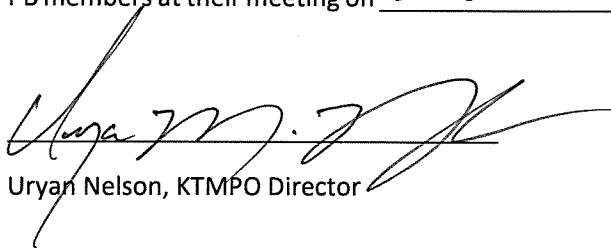
Brian Dosa commented on his appreciation of TxDOT in helping with the rededication to Fort Cavazos, in getting transportation location signage switched over in a swift and timely manner.

13. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the TPPB members at their meeting on 21 June 2023.



Judge Roger Miller, Chair



Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director