

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

Wednesday, September 20, 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
Vice Chair Councilmember Susan Long – City of
Temple
Mayor David Leigh – City of Belton
Ryan Haverlah for Mayor Dan Yancey – City of

Mayor Michael Blomquist — City of Harker Heights Councilmember Riakos Adams — City of Killeen Jason Deckman for Mayor Tim Davis — City of Temple Darrell Burtner — Hill County Transit District Victor Goebel for Stan Swiatek — TxDOT Waco District

Non-Voting Members

Brian Dosa - Fort Cavazos

Additional Attendees

Kristina Ramirez – City of Harker Heights*
Keith Sledd – HOTDA*
Michael Yates – TxDOT Belton Area Engineer*
Brenton Lane – TxDOT Waco District*
Jodie Kelly – TxDOT Brownwood District*
Amanda Mooney – TxDOT Waco District*
Austin Valentine – TxDOT Waco District*
Rachael Perry – TxDOT Waco District*
Judit Alphonse – TxDOT*

Cindy S – General Public
Margarita Vasquez – General Public
Michael Boehme – General Public
Uryan Nelson – KTMPO Director
Connie Quinto – KTMPO
James McGill – KTMPO
Hope Davis – KTMPO
Anita Janke – KTMPO
Tane'ya Floyd – KTMPO
Kendra Coufal – KTMPO*

*Denotes online attendee

Copperas Cove

Meeting Minutes:

- 1. Call to Order: Judge Roger Miller called the meeting to order at 9:33 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 November. Mr. Nelson updated the board on TxDOT completion of the FY2024 Unified Transportation Plan (UTP). Mr. Nelson reminded the board that the KTMPO Project Call opened on September 1st and all applications are due Friday, October 27th. Mr. Nelson mentioned a TIP administrative amendment for Salado's Royal Street project to change the let date from FY24 to FY25 due to environmental clearance timeline concerns. Maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of August were 76 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 77 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Approve minutes from the August 16, 2023, meeting.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the August 16, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding the Nomination and Election of TPPB Chair and Vice Chair

Judge Roger Miller was nominated to serve a second term as TPPB Chair, no other nominations were made. Councilmember Susan Long was nominated to serve a second term as TPPB Vice Chair, no other nominations were made.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion for Judge Roger Miller and Susan Long to be Chair and Vice Chair for FY2024, seconded by Mayor David Leigh; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion Item: Regarding the KTMPO TAC and Policy Board Meeting Schedule for FY2024.

James McGill presented the FY2024 meeting calendar to the Policy Board. Mr. Nelson noted the two TAC meeting date changes from the usual first Wednesday of the month and the three Policy Board meeting date changes from the usual third Wednesday of the month.

Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the KTMPO Meeting Schedule for FY2024, seconded by Darrell Burtner; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Resolution 2023-08 supporting October 2023 as Walk to School Month

James McGill provided a history of October being walk to school month. Mr. McGill commented that KTMPO wants to support any events for walk to school day, creating an awareness for pedestrian infrastructure and safety.

Ryan Haverlah made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-08 supporting October 2023 as Walk to School Month, seconded by Mayor David Leigh; the motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding initiation of public involvement for an amendment to the Congestion Management Process (CMP)

James McGill provided the Policy Board with the background on the amendment for the Congestion Management Process (CMP). Mr. McGill shared that KTMPO staff have been working with the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) to gather appropriate data for 10 added capacity projects that have been constructed since 2016 and provide an analysis of those projects' effects on the regional transportation system. Mr. McGill stated that the analysis has been compiled into a draft appendix to be added to the current CMP, and that since the CMP is being amended a 15-day public comment period with a public meeting is required.

Mayor Michael Blomquist made a motion to initiate public involvement for the amendment to the Congestion Management Process, seconded by Councilmember Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding revisions to the KTMPO Bylaws.

Uryan Nelson highlighted proposed revisions to the KTMPO Bylaws including one additional Policy Board member from Temple, not including incarcerated persons in population counts in case the MPO boundary is expanded, and the addition of a Small and Rural representative to the Technical Advisory Committee for entities without a current voting member. Mr. Nelson also noted that the current bylaws do not specify who the Chair of the TAC is and then opened the floor for discussion.

Discussion was held about whether a chair should be elected from the TAC body or if staff should continue to act as the chair for the committee. A consensus was reached that the bylaws should have language to state that staff will preside over the TAC meetings as chair for that committee.

Ryan Haverlah mentioned one more proposed change that would require a regular review of the Bylaws at least once every 5 years.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding the Bylaws, Safety, and Project Scoring Working Groups.

James McGill shared that the Safety working group is meeting following the Policy Board meeting today.

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

Uryan Nelson shared that KTMPO met with Kimley-Horn to review the scope of work for the project and discuss next steps for the project. Mr. Nelson mentioned that a Safety Task Force associated with this project was going to be set up and that if any Policy Board members were interested in serving on it to contact staff.

12. Discussion Item: Regarding possible MPO Boundary Expansion Update.

Uryan Nelson shared that there are currently no new updates on the possible MPO Boundary Expansion. Mr. Nelson stated that KTMPO would be getting a new TxDOT MPO coordinator in October, so this conversation will be brought to their attention.

13. Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through August 2023.

James McGill shared a comment on the August Policy Board meeting recording regarding the hyperloop discussion that happened.

14. Member Comments:

Darrell Burtner announced HCTD's partnership with Fort Cavazos to provide service between the base and the rest of HCTD's micro transit system.

15. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

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

Judge Roger Miller, Chair

Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director