

**KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMP)
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY BOARD (TPPB) MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

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

Policy Board Voting Members Present

Chair Danny Dunn—City of Temple	Asst. Superintendent Joe Craig—Bell Co.
Vice Chair Dan Corbin—City of Killeen	Brian Chandler for Councilmember Tim Davis— City of Temple
Mayor Scott Cospers—City of Killeen	Erin Newcomer for Mayor Marion Grayson— City of Belton
Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Blackstone—City of Killeen	Robert Ator for Carole Warlick—Hill Country Transit District
Mayor John Hull—City of Copperas Cove	Bobby Littlefield/Kevin Dickey—TxDOT Waco District
Councilmember Spencer Smith— City of Harker Heights	
Judge John Firth— Coryell County	
Commissioner Robert Vincent—Lampasas Co.	

Others Present

Andrea Gardner—City of Copperas Cove	Vicky Joseph—Fort Hood
Frank Seffrood—City of Copperas Cove	Gladys Yoshinaka—Fort Hood
David Mitchell—City of Harker Heights	Hector Rios—Fort Hood
George Lueck—City of Killeen	Keith Gogas—Fort Hood
Caroline Mays—TxDOT TPP	Page Scott—KTMP
Tim Juarez—TxDOT TPP	Angela Smith—KTMP
Edward Kabobel, Jr.—TxDOT Waco District	Cheryl Maxwell—KTMP
Ralph Ford—Central TX College	Zac Craig—CTCOG
Ralph Gauer—Senator Troy Fraser's Office	

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Danny Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
2. **Opportunity for Public Comment:** No comments were made by the public.
3. **Director's Report:**
 - a. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)
Page Scott informed the board members that the Texas Transportation Commission was meeting to take action on proposed rules for the statewide TAP funds. She stated several entities had provided comments regarding eligibility requirements that prohibited entities within a Transportation Management Area (TMA) from applying for the statewide TAP funds. These entities included Copperas Cove, Killeen, Harker Heights, and Belton. As a result, the proposed language has been changed to allow entities within a TMA to apply for either the MPO's TAP funds OR the statewide TAP funds. Ms. Scott went over the schedule for the MPO TAP funds noting the deadline for applications is October 15th, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) scoring on November 5th, and TPPB approval on November 19th.

b. Air Quality—Ozone Levels

Cheryl Maxwell provided an update of the August ozone readings for the region from the Killeen and Temple monitoring sites noting that if the three year average (2012, 2013 and 2014) was calculated using the 2014 figures to date, the average would be 72 parts per billion (ppb), which is below the NAAQS (National Ambient Air Quality Standards) for ozone currently set at 75 ppb.

Chair Dunn took this opportunity to thank Dan Corbin and Joe Craig for their service on the KTMPO TPPB noting that this would be their last meeting since they were going off the board.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from July 16, 2014 TPPB meeting.

Mayor Scott Cospers made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Blackstone; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Special Presentation: Texas Freight Mobility Plan, Caroline Mays, TxDOT.

Ms. Mays presented an overview of the Texas Freight Mobility Plan including its purpose, development process, and adoption schedule. She discussed freight needs and gaps and provided current and projected figures regarding freight volume. Major warehousing and distribution facilities were identified. Ms. Mays discussed key challenges identified in the plan along with recommendations, and the proposed highway and rail/waterway freight networks.

Ms. Mays answered questions posed by Mayor Cospers and Judge Firth regarding military traffic associated with Fort Hood; Frank Seffrood regarding use of other highway corridors as possible alternate routes to I35, such as US 281 and US 190; Page Scott regarding timing of the implementation plan and pointers for establishing a freight advisory committee.

6. Action Item: Regarding initiation of public involvement process for proposed amendments to the Public Participation Plan.

Ms. Maxwell identified proposed changes to the KTMPO Public Participation Plan, which included cooperative efforts between KTMPO and Hill Country Transit District regarding public involvement requirements, and changes to the Environmental Justice Communities of Concern (EJCOC). Ms. Maxwell presented maps showing the EJCOC in the current Public Participation Plan in comparison with the proposed EJCOC, as recommended by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). She also presented the proposed schedule for public comments and adoption and informed the board members the TAC recommended initiation of the public involvement process.

Dan Corbin made a motion to initiate the public involvement process, seconded by Mayor John Hull; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Action Item: Regarding approval of KTMPO Title VI Plan.

Page Scott advised the board members that any entity receiving federal funds was required to have a Title VI Plan which outlines a policy to protect individuals from discrimination. The Plan includes a Discrimination Complaint Form and identifies a Title VI Coordinator. The TAC recommended approval of the proposed Title VI Plan.

Mr. Corbin made a motion to adopt the Title VI Plan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Blackstone; the motion passed unanimously.

8. Action Item: Nomination and election of TPPB Chair for FY2015.

Ms. Scott informed the board members that Chair Dunn was eligible to serve another term as Chair and was willing to serve.

Mayor Cospers nominated Mayor Dunn for a second term as Chair. No other nominations were made.

Mayor Cospers made a motion to approve Mayor Dunn as Chair, seconded by Erin Newcomer; the motion passed unanimously.

9. Action Item: Nomination and election of TPPB Vice Chair for FY2015.

Chair Dunn asked for nominations for the Vice Chair. Mayor Cospers was nominated by Mr. Corbin, and Councilmember Spencer Smith was nominated by Mayor Hull. Councilmember Smith asked that his name be withdrawn since his term on the Harker Heights City Council would be ending in May of 2015.

Judge John Firth made a motion to approve Mayor Cospers as Vice Chair, seconded by Joe Craig; the motion passed unanimously.

10. Action Item: Approve meeting schedule for FY2015.

Ms. Maxwell asked the board members to review the proposed FY2015 schedule and note if any dates presented a conflict with their schedule. She pointed out that the October TAC meeting date had been moved to October 8th. Andrea Gardner identified a conflict with the October 15th TPPB date; the TPPB October meeting date was moved to the 22nd.

Mayor Cospers made a motion to approve the revised calendar for FY2015, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Blackstone; the motion passed unanimously.

11. Roundtable: TPPB members went around the table and shared information.

12. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Ms. Scott announced that KTMPO staff member Angela Smith was leaving to accept a new position in Austin. The board members thanked Ms. Smith for her work with the MPO and wished her well.

Mayor Danny Dunn, Chair

J. Page Scott, MPO Director