

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

Wednesday, November 19, 2014

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

Policy Board Voting Members Present

Chair Danny Dunn—City of Temple	Commissioner Tim Brown—Bell County
Councilmember Tim Davis—City of Temple	Commissioner Robert Vincent—Lampasas Co.
Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Blackstone—City of Killeen	Carole Warlick—Hill Country Transit District (HCTD)
Jose Segarra—City of Killeen	Bobby Littlefield—TxDOT Waco District
Mayor Marion Grayson— City of Belton	Elias Rmeili—TxDOT Brownwood District
Mayor John Hull—City of Copperas Cove	George Lueck for Vice Chair Scott Cosper—City of Killeen
Judge John Firth—Coryell County	

Others Present

Erin Newcomer—City of Belton	Kevin Dickey—TxDOT Waco District
Mark Peterson—City of Copperas Cove	Ed Kabobel—TxDOT Waco District
Brian Chandler—City of Temple	Page Scott—KTMPO
Keith Gogas—Fort Hood	Cheryl Maxwell—KTMPO
Robert Ator—HCTD	Mark Collier—KTMPO

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Danny Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.
2. **Opportunity for Public Comment:** No comments were made by the public.
3. **Director's Report:**

KTMPO Director Page Scott informed the board members that there were no December meetings planned for the Technical Advisory Committee or the Transportation Planning Policy Board.

She provided an update on Proposition 1 status noting that it had been passed by the voters. The Sufficient Balance Committee will meet next month to determine the actual funding that will be available for dispersion. Then the Texas Transportation Commission will determine how to distribute the funds. The goal is to get projects underway in 2015. She directed the board members to the TxDOT website for more information on Proposition 1.

Ms. Scott advised the board members of changes that have occurred in the US Congress as a result of the November elections and pointed out that many committees are involved with surface transportation issues. These changes could have an impact on important legislation that will come up, such as the trust fund, MAP-21 extension, FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) Reauthorization, etc.

Ms. Scott provided an update on the Ozone levels for the two monitoring stations and informed the board members that the “ozone season” generally ends with the close of October. She reported that our region’s 3 year average would likely remain 72 parts per billion (ppb), which is below the required 75 ppb. Ms. Scott informed the members that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality was contracting with Environ to develop a conceptual model for our region; the study should begin at the first of the year and wrap up in August, 2015. She also reminded the members that the Environmental Protection Agency was releasing proposed revised ozone standards next month.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from October 22, 2014 TPPB meeting.

Commissioner Tim Brown made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Carole Warlick; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Action Item: Regarding Category 9 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding.

--Approval of Project Selection

--Approval of MTP/TIP Public Involvement

Mark Collier provided an overview of the TAP project selection process and noted projects had been submitted by the Cities of Copperas Cove, Killeen, Temple, and Village of Salado. He provided the project ranking recommended by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) at their November 5, 2014 meeting where they scored the projects. He clarified that the TAC recommendation was to fully fund the #1 and #2 ranked projects submitted by the City of Temple and City of Copperas Cove, respectively, with the remaining funding of \$250,025 going toward the #3 ranked project submitted by the City of Killeen. The City of Killeen revised their project (still within the original scope) to utilize the \$250,025 that was available to them. Mr. Collier stated the three recommended projects will fully obligate the \$624,000 TAP federal funds available for FY13 and FY14.

Mr. Collier provided a tentative schedule and stated staff was requesting approval of the projects selected for TAP funding and approval to initiate the public involvement process for the corresponding Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments.

Commissioner Brown noted that the project submitted by Salado was not within the Village limits. Bobby Littlefield questioned whether the Salado project could be submitted for the Statewide TAP funding. Mr. Collier responded that this project could be submitted for the Statewide FY15 or FY16 project call but could not be submitted for the Statewide FY13 or FY14 call since it had been submitted for the MPO’s FY13/14 call. He stated they could also submit a different project for the Statewide FY13 or FY14 project call, just not the same one they did for the MPO’s call.

Mayor Marion Grayson made a motion to approve the projects selected for TAP funding, seconded by Mayor John Hull; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Grayson made a motion to initiate the public involvement process for the MTP and TIP amendments for the Category 9 projects, seconded by Commissioner Brown; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Action Item: Regarding approval of proposed amendment to the FY2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Chair Dunn asked for a motion to table this item until January. Ms. Scott clarified that although Proposition 1 had passed, decisions had not yet been made regarding the amount of funding available and how it would be dispersed, so it was recommended that this item be tabled until this information is known.

Commissioner Brown made a motion to table this item, seconded by Ms. Warlick; the motion passed unanimously.

7. **Action Item:** Regarding FY2014 Annual Performance and Expenditure Report (APER).

Cheryl Maxwell provided a summary of accomplishments the MPO achieved during FY14, based upon tasks identified in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). She informed the board members that approximately 72% of the FY14 budget had been expended; the remaining funds budgeted for FY14 would roll into the MPO's reserve account. Ms. Maxwell stated the TAC recommended approval of the FY14 APER at their November 5, 2014 meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Blackstone made a motion to approve the FY14 APER, seconded by Mayor Hull; the motion passed unanimously.

8. **Action Item:** Regarding FY2014 Annual Project Listing (APL).

Ms. Maxwell provided a summary of transportation projects that were "let" by TxDOT during FY14, noting there were a total of 21 projects with a total cost of approximately \$19.4 million. Ms. Maxwell stated the TAC recommended approval of the FY14 APL at their November 5, 2014 meeting.

Councilmember Tim Davis made a motion to approve the FY14 APL seconded by Councilmember Jose Segarra; the motion passed unanimously.

9. **Staff Update:** Regarding Congestion Management Process (CMP) FY2014 Annual Performance Report.

Ms. Maxwell provided a summary of accomplishments the MPO achieved during FY14 with regard to the CMP Action Plan. She noted that MPO staff will continue to implement elements of the Action Plan and that no revisions to the CMP are proposed at this time.

This item was presented for informational purposes only; no action was needed or taken by the board members.

10. **Roundtable:** Board members provided updates summarized below:
Mayor Grayson—Nolan Creek Hike and Bike Trail extension to University of Mary Hardin-Baylor now open.
Bobby Littlefield—Thanks to everyone for supporting Proposition 1; US 190 Copperas Cove Bypass ribbon cutting will occur early in 2015; US 190 designation as an interstate moving forward, waiting for action from the Federal Highway Administration at this point.
George Lueck—Thanks to TxDOT technical staff for assisting city staff in developing and processing various projects in Killeen.
No other comments were made by the board members.

11. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Mayor Danny Dunn, Chair

J. Page Scott, MPO Director