

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

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

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

Policy Board Voting Members Present

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

Others Present

Frank Seffrood—City of Copperas Cove	Ralph Gauer—Sen. Fraser’s Office
Robert Ator—HCTD	Alex Wukman—Temple Daily Telegram
Keith Gogas—Fort Hood	Page Scott—KTMPO
Mary Himic—Fort Hood	Cheryl Maxwell—KTMPO
Kevin Dickey—TxDOT Waco District	Trevor Barrington--KTMPO
Ed Kabobel—TxDOT Waco District	

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order:** In the absence of Chair Dunn and Vice Chair Cosper, Judge Firth was asked to preside over the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.
- 2. Opportunity for Public Comment:** No comments were made by the public.
- 3. Director’s Report:**

KTMPO Director Page Scott reported on the following items:

- Federal Certification Review—February 24 - 26; Policy Board interviews—February 24th, 1:00 p.m; Public Listening Session—February 25th, 5:00 p.m., CTCOG Bldg., city staff asked to attend to answer questions on projects.
- New KTMPO website is up; “MPO 101” good source of info.
- Statewide TAP (Transportation Alternatives Program) call for projects underway.
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY16 & 17—MPO staff seeking input on projects, studies, data needs, etc.
- APA Workshop for Elected & Appointed Officials—March 6th, CTCOG Bldg.
- Town Hall meeting on public transportation—February 19th, CTCOG Bldg.

Cheryl Maxwell announced new Fort Hood representative Mary Himic was present; the Board members welcomed her.

Ms. Maxwell provided an update on air quality, providing ozone concentrations for the two monitoring stations within KTMPO. She noted comments on proposed revisions to the NAAQS (National Ambient Air Quality Standards) for ozone were being accepted through March 17th.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from January 21, 2015 TPPB meeting.

Mr. Littlefield made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Blackstone; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Action Item: Regarding approval of proposed amendment to the FY2015-2018 TIP to reflect change in funding sources for Project ID T25-06 (Loop 363/Spur 290 Interchange).

Ms. Maxwell informed the board members the source of funding for this project was changing from a 50/50 split of state and local funds to 50% local with the remaining 50% divided between 80% federal and 20% state. The project cost was also reduced from \$9,984,000 to \$9,640,000.

Ms. Maxwell stated the public involvement process for a TIP amendment includes a 15 day public comment period and a public hearing, both of which have been completed. Only one public comment was received and it was in support of the project. Ms. Maxwell informed the Board members the Technical Advisory Committee recommended approval of the TIP amendment at their February 4th meeting, subject to any comments received during the remainder of the public comment period. Staff is seeking Policy Board approval of the TIP amendment.

Ms. Warlick made a motion to approve the TIP amendment, seconded by Councilmember Segarra; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Presentation: Hill Country Transit District—Carole Warlick and Robert Ator.

Carole Warlick, Hill Country Transit District (HCTD) General Manager, and Robert Ator, Director of Urban Operations, provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting The HOP public transit system to include operations, facilities, and passenger amenities; ridership and fleet numbers for their urban fixed route service, special transit service (STS), and rural service; local funding contributions; triennial review results; and service needs to include expansion of geographic coverage, extended operating hours, and more frequent fixed route trips.

The Board members acknowledged the need for the public transit system and expressed their appreciation of The HOP's accomplishments noting it is a well-run system.

7. Roundtable: Board members commented on local projects and issues.

8. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Mayor Danny Dunn, Chair

J. Page Scott, MPO Director