

KILLEEN TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPO) FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday November 28, 2017 11:30 AM

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) 2180 North Main Street Belton, TX 76513

Meeting Attendees

Michael Bolin—Texas Dept. of Transportation Courtney Jones—

(TxDOT) Waco District
Kale Driemeier—TxDOT
Casey Wells—TxDOT

Kara Escajeda—City of Nolanville Don Bond—City of Temple James Mulheron—Ft. Hood CRSP Liz Bullock—TxDOT Waco District Courtney Jones—TxDOT Waco District

Ginger Watkins—Cameron Industrial Foundation

Jim Butler—Fikes Wholesale
Jim VonAchen—McLane Co. Inc.

John Weber—KTMPO Cheryl Maxwell—KTMPO Kendra Coufal—KTMPO Jason Deckman—KTMPO

Meeting Notes

- 1. Call to Order: Kendra Coufal called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. and introductions were made.
- **2. Public Comment:** No comments were made by the public.
- 3. Staff Update: Air Quality.

John Weber presented FAC the region's air quality readings.

4. Discussion Item: Regarding review of meeting notes from August 16, 2017 meeting.

Kendra Coufal presented the meeting notes from August 16, 2017 meeting. No comments were made.

5. Presentation: TxDOT Freight Mobility Plan Update by Casey Wells.

Kale Driemeier and Casey Wells from TxDOT provided an update on the TxDOT Freight Mobility Plan. The Plan includes TxDOT's Texas Highway Freight Network and FHWA's Primary Freight System which includes interstate highways and highways leading up to ports and border crossings. The Plan also identifies critical urban corridors in the MPO areas and critical freight corridors, along with freight projects for highways, rail and ports of entry.

Future recommendations based off of the Plan include a truck parking needs assessment study in 2018, developing freight design guidelines, creating a statewide commercial vehicle traffic center and incident management program, and pursuit a 24 hr/off-peak hour program for businesses. TxDOT plans on reaching out to MPOs statewide to discuss and how to implement the plan.

6. Discussion Item: Freight needs, issues, and problem areas.

FAC members were given the opportunity to discuss freight needs, issues and problems. These issues are listed below.

- Sparta Rd Roundabout—Difficult to see the red brick and curb on the traffic circle.
- I-35—Barriers are close together and the lanes are narrow in the construction zones.
- Lack of signage/restrictions for wide load permitting.
- **7. Discussion Item:** Ways to collaborate with and solicit the freight community.

Ways to collaborate with and solicit the freight community include speaking with brokers with Ft. Hood, American Truck Association, Texas Tank Truck Carriers, Texas Trucking Association, Owner Operator Independent Drivers Association and local Economic Development Corporations.

- 8. Discussion & Possible Action Item: Guidance on the following.
 - a. Committee guidelines;
 - b. Established Membership and attendance and quorum;
 - c. Mission statement, vision and goals.

Kendra Coufal asked for feedback regarding how the FAC should be structured. FAC consensus was to adopt the proposed guidelines.

Kara Escajeda made a motion to approve the proposed guidelines, seconded by James Mulheron; the motion passed unanimously.

9. Member Comments, Question & Answer.

No comments were made.

10. Discuss date, time and possible agenda items for next meeting.

The next FAC meeting will be held in February.

11. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

These meeting notes were presented to the FAC at their meeting on _______.

Cheryl Maxwell, KTMPO Director