

# KILLEEN TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPO) TRANSPORTATION PLANNING POLICY BOARD MEETING (TPPB)

Wednesday February 20, 2019 9:30 AM

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

## **Policy Board Voting Members Present**

Vice Chair Mayor Jose Segarra—City of Temple Mayor Marion Grayson—City of Belton Mayor Spencer Smith—City of Harker Heights Councilmember Susan Long—City of Temple Brian Chandler for Mayor Tim Davis—City of Temple

Mayor Tammy Cockrum—Bell County

Roger Miller—Coryell County
Victor Goebel for Stan Swiatek—Texas Dept.
of Transportation (TxDOT) Waco District
Carole Warlick—Hill Country Transit District
(HCTD)

Elias Rmeili-TxDOT Brownwood District

# **Policy Board Non-Voting Members Present**

Brian Dosa—Ft. Hood

## **Others Present**

Christi Bonham—TxDOT Waco District
Liz Bullock—TxDOT Waco District
Danielle Singh—City of Killeen
Solomon Thomas—TxDOT Bell County Area
Engineer
Kerry Fillip—CTCOG Area Agency on Aging
George Losoya—CTCOG Housing Dept.

Jason Deckman—City of Temple
Ryan Haverlah—City of Copperas Cove
Cheryl Maxwell—City of Belton
Uryan Nelson—KTMPO
Kendra Coufal—KTMPO
Sydnee Steelman—KTMPO
John Weber—KTMPO

#### **Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order: Vice Chair Mayor Jose Segarra called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.
- 2. Opportunity for Public Comment: No comments were made from the public.
- 3. Staff Update: KTMPO staff provided the following updates.

John Weber stated that the next Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting will be held on February 26 at 9:30 a.m. Ozone readings through the end of January were 46 parts per billion (ppb) at the Killeen station and 44 ppb at the Temple station.

4. Action Item: Approve minutes from January 16, 2019 meeting.

Mayor Spencer Smith made a motion to approve January 16, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Carole Warlick; the motion passed unanimously.

**5. Action Item:** Regarding approval of amendment to the FY18-19 Unified Planning Work Program regarding FY18 and FY19 Task 1 through Task 5.

Kendra Coufal stated that KTMPO budgeted \$995,322 for Tasks 1 through 5 in FY18, however, KTMPO's expenditures for FY18 were \$479,896. Ms. Coufal explained that an amendment is needed to reallocate the \$515,426 that were not utilized in FY18 to FY19 for Tasks 1 through Task 5. The proposed amendments are attached as Attachment A.

Councilmember Susan Long made a motion to approve the proposed FY18-19 amendment regarding FY18 and FY19 Task 1 through Task 5, seconded by Brian Chandler; the motion passed unanimously.

**6. Action Item:** Regarding approval of amendment to the FY18-FY19 UPWP regarding Task 5.7 through Task 5.10.

Kendra Coufal stated that an amendment is need to allocate funds for Task 5.7-FAST Act Performance Study, Task 5.8-Vulnerability & Resiliency Study, Task 5.9-Evaluation of 2045 MTP Projects, and Task 5.10-Future Growth Scenario Plan as recommended by TAC. Ms. Coufal explained the proposed amendments as shown in Attachment B.

Carole Warlick made a motion to approve the proposed FY18-19 UPWP regarding Task 5.7 through Task 5.10, seconded by Mayor Tammy Cockrum; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Action Item: Regarding Support of Texas National Highway System (NHS) Review recommendations.

John Weber stated that TxDOT TPP Corridor Planning Section is currently reviewing the Texas NHS system to evaluate the current system throughout the state. This process includes modifying the NHS based on criteria and the evaluation of the current NHS and its significant roadways, as well as feedback from MPO's throughout the state. Mr. Weber explained that scores were given to routes in the KTMPO region based on the number of criteria that scored "yes". Based on the total number of "yes", TxDOT outlined 12 roadways segments that were suggested as removal from NHS, downgrade functional classification, or further review. Mr. Weber explained that KTMPO staff conducted an in-house review and recommended removing FM 439 and Avenue H from the NHS system as proposed by TxDOT, add FM 2410, Trimmier Rd., FM 2305, and SH 317 to the NHS, keep S. W.S. Young, FM 1741, and SH 36 W on the NHS, and to keep the functional classification of SH 9 and FM 1741.

Mr. Weber explained that the NHS review of intermodal connectors is another component of this review. For the intermodal connectors review, TxDOT study team suggested to remove Skylark Field and Draughton-Miller Airport based on lack of data available that meet the criteria for that facility type. KTMPO staff agrees with the recommendation for the removal of these facilities, however, KTMPO staff proposes adding Killeen-Ft. Hood Regional Airport, the Temple Central Pointe Rail Park, and the Civilian-Military Joint Use Rail/Truck Multi-Modal Facility to the intermodal connectors. Mr. Weber explained that feedback from TAC as well as staff's supported recommendation of proposed changes will be forwarded to TxDOT.

The floor opened to discussion. Many TPPB members provided staff with questions and comments about the NHS review. Mayor Spencer Smith also discussed the importance of looking at FM 3481 and FM 2484. Regarding Draughton-Miller Airport, Brian Chandler and Councilmember Susan Long both discussed how lack of data for the Draughton-Miller Airport does not mean that there is no data to remove this data and that the City of Temple can provide data to KTMPO on Draughton-Miller Airport. Victor Goebel further discussed this review process and explained the relationship between the NHS and funding allocations. There were also further discussion on how to calculate data for future intermodal connectors. After discussion, Ms. Coufal stated that a motion is needed to support staff recommendations for the roadway NHS segments, keeping Skylark Field and Draughton-Miller Airport on the intermodal connectors and to provide TxDOT with available data for these two facilities, and to add staff recommendations on the new intermodal connectors.

Mayor Spencer Smith made a motion to support the Texas National Highway System review as stated above, seconded by Councilmember Susan Long; the motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion Item: Public input received through January 31, 2019.

Public comments received through January 31, 2019 were presented to the TPPB.

9. Member Comments.

Uryan Nelson stated that the KTMPO is planning to hire a new planner.

10. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

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

Mayor Tim Davis, Chair

Jim Reed, KTMPO Director