



**KILLEEN TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMP)  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)**

Tuesday, January 14, 2020  
9:30 AM

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

**Voting Members Present**

Chair Kara Escajeda—City of Nolanville	Joseph Molis for Courtney Peres – City of Harker Heights
Jason Deckman for Brian Chandler—City of Temple	Carlos Santiago – Citizen
John Wiist – King of the Mountains Cyclery	Pete Vento – City of Killeen
Michael Love for Kristina Manning – Fort Hood	Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District

**Others Present**

Jason Deckman – City of Temple	Sydnee Steelman—KTMP
Amanda Cook – Texas App Team	James McGill – KTMP
	Helen Owens - KTMP

**Meeting Minutes**

- 1. Call to Order:** Sydnee Steelman called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.
- 2. Public Comment:** No comments were made from the public.
- 3. Staff Update:** Sydnee Steelman updated the group about the Complete Streets resolution. She also presented the group with upcoming events in the region. Air quality readings through the end of December 2019 were shown to the BPAC. Ozone readings for the month of August were 55 parts per billion (ppb) at the Killeen station and 55 ppb at the Temple station.
- 4. Discussion Item:** Approval of November 5, 2019 BPAC Meeting Minutes.  
**Jason Deckman made a motion to approve November 5, 2019 BPAC meeting minutes, seconded by Joseph Molis; the motion passed unanimously.**
- 5. Action Item:** 2020 Texas Trails and Active Transportation Conference.  
Sydnee Steelman informed the committee about the upcoming Texas Trails and Active Transportation Conference that will take place in March. The conference will provide seminars and presentation regarding trail development and innovation. Chair Kara Escajeda mentioned KTMP possibly sponsoring a BPAC member to attend the conference.
- 6. Discussion Item:** Update and discussion on Texas Proposition 5 vote.

Ms. Steelman informed the committee of the passage of Proposition 5 back in November. Proposition 5 dedicated revenue from the sales tax on sporting goods to the state Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Historical Commission. Ms. Steelman asked the group how the extra funding could potentially affect entities within the region. Chair Escajeda stated that more grant funding will become available for cities and counties.

**7. Discussion and Action Item:** Update on regional Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) awards.

Erika Kunkel stated that smaller entities that applied to the program will receive a funding announcement in the coming weeks. Larger entities will find out in late February. Ms. Kunkel will provide another update at the next BPAC meeting.

**8. Discussion Item:** Update on other transportation alternative grant opportunities.

Ms. Steelman told the group about various grant funding opportunities that are currently available.

**9. Discussion Item:** Discuss potential projects or initiatives for May 2020 as National Bike Month and May 6, 2020 as Bike to School Day.

Chair Escajeda stated that member entities can send their various initiatives for KTMPO to promote during Bike Month. Ms. Steelman also presented preliminary ideas for projects to the group.

**10. Discussion Item:** NCTCOG Regional Trail of the Month Video Series.

Ms. Steelman informed the committee that the North Central Texas Council of Governments creates "Trail of the Month" videos highlighting a regional trail each month. She also stated that if committee members were interested, the committee could start selecting a regional trail to highlight each month. The trail could be featured on the Centex Trails app and promoted other places as well. Various members expressed interest in starting the video series. Ms. Steelman stated that KTMPO staff will further discuss logistics and present more information at the March meeting.

**11. Discussion Item:** Centex Trails Application Update.

Mandie Cook from the Texas App Team stated that most of the app is complete with the exception of QR codes and some individual trail information. Ms. Steelman stated that the app will be presented at the 2019 Centex Race Series Banquet on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

**12. Member Comments.**

None.

**13. Discuss Date, Time, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be held March 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

**14. Adjourned:** The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the BPAC members at their meeting on December 8, 2020.

  
Kara Escajeda, BPAC Chair

  
James McGill, Regional Planner