



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

Tuesday, March 10, 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	Matt Bates – City of Belton
John Wiist – King of the Mountains Cyclery	Pete Vento – City of Killeen
Michael Love for Kristina Manning – Fort Hood	Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District
Mike Anderson for Chad Welch – Tri-City Bicycles	

Others Present

Luke Behrens – City of Killeen	Kendra Coufal – KTMPO
	James McGill – KTMPO

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order:** Kara Escajeda called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
- 2. Public Comment:** No comments were made from the public.
- 3. Staff Update:** James McGill presented the group with upcoming events in the region. Air quality readings through the end of February 2020 were shown to the BPAC. Ozone readings for the month of February were 47 parts per billion (ppb) at the Killeen station and 45 ppb at the Temple station.
- 4. Discussion Item:** Approval of January 14, 2020 BPAC Meeting Minutes.
Item was tabled due to quorum not being present.
- 5. Discussion Item:** Update on regional Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) awards.

James McGill informed the group about the Texas Transportation Commission's decision to award the City of Troy a SRTS grant for Mays Middle School. Mr. McGill stated that the project is currently undergoing the public involvement process to be added to the TIP and MTP. Chair Escajeda asked if there was something the BPAC could do to be a part of the groundbreaking for the project.

6. Discussion Item: Update on TxDOT Bicycle Advisory Committee.

Mr. McGill updated the group on TxDOT's Bicycle Advisory Committee January meeting. At their meeting the BAC discussed Bikeway design, the scope of the advisory committee, and bicycle/pedestrian counts. Erika Kunkel mentioned that Bonnie Sherman with TxDOT would have more information.

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

Chair Escajeda stated that involving the Boys and Girls club with bike rodeos would be a good idea. Other members continued the discussion about how to get the Boys and Girls club involved in National Bike Month events. Erika Kunkel stated that TxDOT has bike lights and books to put in bags to give out.

8. Discussion Item: Regional Trail of the Month Highlight Series.

Mr. McGill stated that staff does not have the current capacity to take the head of creating videos for the trail of the month. Chair Escajeda asked if there was funding available to attach to these videos. Pete Vento stated that the City of Killeen could take the lead on creating a drone video for the Heritage Oaks trail that is scheduled to open in June. Other members joined the discussion with recommendations for how to ensure a video series is done with high quality and good promotion.

9. Discussion Item: Centex Trails Application Update and Marketing Campaign.

James McGill stated that the app was presented at the 2019 Centex Race Series Banquet on January 16th. Mr. McGill also informed the group of the development of a flyer to promote the group. Chair Escajeda requested that a designated website be completed as a landing page for the trails information.

10. Member Comments.

None.

11. Discuss Date, Time, and Agenda Items for Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held May 12th at 9:30 a.m.

12. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 10:19 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