



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

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

9:30 AM

Electronic Meeting

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

Voting Members Present

Vice Chair Brian Chandler—City of Temple
Matt Bates – City of Belton
Michael Love – Fort Hood

Keller Matthews – BS&W Cycling Club
Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District

Others Present

Jeff Achee – City of Harker Heights
Jason Deckman – City of Temple
Brigida Gonzalez – TxDOT TPP

Justin Morgan – FHWA
Kendra Coufal – KTMP
James McGill – KTMP

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Brian Chandler called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

2. Public Comment: No comments were made from the public.

3. Staff Update: James McGill presented the group with upcoming KTMP meetings through April. Mr. McGill also provided an update on the approval of rule changes to the TA Program discussed at the December meeting and notified the group that TxDOT's 2021 Call for Projects opened on January 15th with a deadline of March 1st. Air quality for the month of January was 49 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 47 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from the December 8, 2020 meeting.

Keller Matthews made a motion to approve the December 8, 2020 meeting minutes, seconded by Brian Chandler; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Item: Regarding update on TxDOT Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC).

James McGill provided an update to the group on TxDOT's Bicycle Advisory Committee's January meeting. Mr. McGill briefly shared a presentation from the meeting about the economic and health benefits of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Active Transportation Plan.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding KTMPO's 2045 MTP Call for Projects – BPAC Priority Ranking of Livability Track.

James McGill informed the Committee that scoring for the KTMPO 2020 Call for Projects had been completed and explained the purpose for the discussion regarding priority ranking of livability projects. Various members asked questions about how much funding was available and how that funding was distributed across different projects. Members also asked questions regarding how projects were scored and why the projects scored the way they did. The committee discussed the financial cost of Belton's 6th Avenue project and whether that could be mitigated somehow to allow for more projects to be funded. The committee agreed that each entity should have at least their top project represented and decided to move Salado's project up the list for that reason.

Keller Matthews made a motion to recommend a priority ranking of the top 10 ranked projects and Salado's number 1 project (Williams Rd sidewalks) to number 11, seconded by Matt Bates; the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding Local Update on Bicycle and Pedestrian Activities.

James McGill shared some upcoming bicycle and running events happening in the region and requested that members share any additional events not listed. Keller Matthews asked if these events were displayed on city websites. Jeff Achee shared that Harker Heights had a 5k happening on Memorial Day and Jason Deckman reminded the group of the Rucks on Main event also happening on Memorial Day.

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

James McGill brought the Trail of Month Highlight Series item back to the Committee to form an action plan for proceeding. Mr. McGill requested that the cities share trails they could start highlighting, while KTMPO worked on contacting the TV stations for hosting the series.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding Update on the Centex Trails Application.

James McGill stated that staff is still evaluating and considering the options for moving forward with app development. Mr. McGill requested recommendations from the committee for potential developers KTMPO could consider.

10. Discussion Item: Regarding May Bike Month Activities:

James McGill stated that May Bike Month was coming up and requested the sharing of ideas to promote biking activities that BPAC could initiate or support. Various committee members shared ideas and stated that encouraging biking activities may be the best form of connection given the current pandemic.

11. Member Comments.

Keller Matthews informed the group that the Army Corp of Engineers was releasing the updated Master Plan for Stillhouse Hollow Lake use this week. Kendra Coufal requested ideas from the BPAC for FY21 Special Studies.

12. Next Meeting: April 13, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

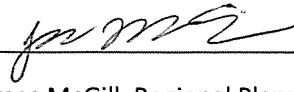
13. Adjourned: The meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the BPAC members at their meeting on April 23, 2021.

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Kara Escajeda, BPAC Chair

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James McGill, Regional Planner