



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

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

9:30 AM

Electronic Meeting

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

Voting Members Present

Chair Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville
Vice Chair Jason Deckman—City of Temple
Heather Buller – City of Killeen

Keller Matthews – BS&W Cycling Club
Erika Kunkel – TxDOT Waco District
Michael Love – Fort Hood

Others Present

Jeff Achee – City of Harker Heights
Brigida Gonzalez – TxDOT TPP
Allen Duncan – TxDOT Waco District

Dean Huard – Fort Hood
Kendra Coufal – KTMP O
James McGill – KTMP O

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Kara Escajeda 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 informed the group of upcoming KTMP O meetings through June. Mr. McGill provided an update on the 2045 MTP Reprioritization process and stated that a revised schedule was available for review in the packet. Mr. McGill shared that Temple and Bartlett both submitted projects to the 2021 TxDOT TA program call. Air quality for the month of March was 63 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 64 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Regarding approval of minutes from the February 23, 2021 meeting.

Jason Deckman made a motion to approve the February 23, 2021 meeting minutes, seconded by Keller Matthews; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Item: Regarding BPAC Membership.

James McGill shared that the KTMP O BPAC committee currently only has 12 of its possible 20 spots filled. Mr. McGill requested BPAC members assistance with trying to fill some of those spots. Kara Escajeda

recommended looking at Economic Development groups and School Health Advisory Boards for new members. Brigida Gonzalez recommended looking at local community wellness groups for new members.

6. 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 April meeting. Mr. McGill shared a presentation from the BAC regarding their next activity/project and asked if there were any ideas that the committee could explore implementing in the KTMPO region. Several members discussed different ideas from the meeting packet. Brigida Gonzalez asked if KTMPO had explored participating in TxDOT's program for sharing bike count equipment.

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.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding May Bike Month Activities:

James McGill stated that May Bike Month was just around the corner and that Nolanville was hosting a Ride of Silence during the month. Kara Escajeda shared more details about the Ride of Silence. Keller Matthews asked if the committee knew how many cyclists have been killed in the region during the last year.

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

James McGill updated the committee on the Trail of the Month Highlight Series. Jason Deckman and Heather Buller both offered to provide media materials from their regional trails to KTMPO for compilation. Various members discussed how best to distribute the media materials once they were put together.

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

James McGill informed the committee that the cost to create a brand new app was going to be too high for KTMPO to justify. Mr. McGill shared that staff discovered an existing app called All Trails that staff thinks could be utilized instead to house regional trail data. Keller Matthews shared that he has used the app before, and it is a good resource, especially if photos are uploaded for a trail. Other members made comments in favor of the decision while also cautioning KTMPO endorsement of the app as it is developed by a third party.

11. Discussion Item: Regarding the FHWA's revision of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways (MUTCD).

James McGill shared with the committee information regarding the MUTCD and its current revision process. Mr. McGill explained how the Manual is important for bicyclist and pedestrian safety and encouraged committee members to provide comments on the proposed revisions.

12. Discussion Item: Regarding the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP).

James McGill shared information on this association for professionals involved with bicycle and pedestrian transportation with the committee for their awareness and possible benefit.


13. Member Comments.

Kara Escajeda suggested a future agenda item discussing how to better promote regional events using one or a couple centralized locations so citizens know where to go for information. Jason Deckman shared with the committee information on Temple's Mobility Master Plan first public meeting happening on May 19th. James McGill shared that KTMPO's web map is back up and running and that the BPAC's recommended Bike Share Study was selected for funding by the Policy Board at their April meeting. Keller Matthews asked about how funding KTMPO projects works. Kendra Coufal said that staff would give a presentation at the June BPAC meeting explaining the whole project selection process.

14. Next Meeting: June 22, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

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

These meeting minutes were approved by the BPAC members at their meeting on August 24, 2021.



Kara Escajeda, BPAC Chair
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James McGill, Regional Planner