



KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
Wednesday, July 6, 2022
9:30 AM

Regular Meeting

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

Technical Advisory Committee Voting Members

Bob van Til – City of Belton	Bryan Neaves – Bell County
Bobby Lewis – City of Copperas Cove	David Williams for Bobby Carroll – Lampasas County
Jason Deckman – City of Temple	Darrell Burtner – Hill Country Transit District
Yvonne Spell for Kristina Ramirez – City of Harker Heights	Victor Goebel – TxDOT Waco District

Additional Attendees

Andrew Zagars – City of Killeen*	Katerina Dittmore – GDS*
Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville*	Gandolf Burrows – GDS*
Derek Czapnik – HCTD	Dan Malsom – Kimley Horn
Stephen Kasberg – TxDOT	Kaitlyn Ng – Kimley Horn
Amanda Mooney – TxDOT*	Uryan Nelson – KTMO
Gary Rushing – TxDOT*	Connie Quinto – KTMO
Brigida Gonzalez – TxDOT TPP*	Dominic Elizondo – KTMO*
Rachael Perry – TxDOT*	Hope Geiger – CTCOG

**Denotes online attendee*

Meeting Minutes:

- 1. Call to Order:** Uryan Nelson called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.
- 2. Opportunity for Public Comment:** No comments were made by the public.
- 3. Staff Update:** Meeting Schedule; Other Updates; Air Quality.

Uryan Nelson informed the TAC of upcoming KTMO meetings through September and updated the group on KTMO's Federal Certification Review that was conducted in May. Mr. Nelson stated that projects for the FY23-26 TIP have not yet been submitted due to delays with approving the February and May revision of the FY21-24 TIP. Mr. Nelson announced that Officer elections for Policy Board would be conducted at the TPPB meeting on September 21st, 2022. Mr. Nelson provided updates on the Safe Street for All (SS4A)

Program and national Electric Vehicle Program, noting that KTMPO would like to apply for funding under the SS4A as a multi-regional application. Uryan Nelson presented the Maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of June were 62 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 60 ppb at the Killeen station.

4. Action Item: Approve minutes from the May 11, 2022, meeting.

David Williams made a motion to approve the May 11, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded by Robert Lewis; the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding Resolution 2022-07 supporting KTMPO's application for a Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Action Plan Grant.

Uryan Nelson provided a brief review of the CTCOG staff efforts to apply for the Safe Street for All Grant. Mr. Nelson stated that KTMPO intends to apply for an Action Plan Grant this year with the support of the CTCOG and our local government partners. No further discussion by the board was held on the topic.

Bob van Til made a motion to recommend approval of the Resolution 2022-07 supporting KTMPO's application for a Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Action Plan Grant, seconded by Jason Deckman; the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding amendments to Project N40-05, FM 439 Spur Connectivity in the FY21-24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Kara Escajeda from the City of Nolanville spoke on how the increase of inflation is affecting the city. That the city is responsible for their 20% match and the overruns of the project, however with inflation the overruns have increase to an extent that the city cannot support, without effecting the let date and potential other approved projects.

Uryan Nelson mentioned that there is available money in the Cat 9 fund, however there is not enough to bring a new project to the committee. A majority of the discussion was around setting a precedent for future requests, with the rising inflation cost that will be hitting all projects. The group agreed that future requests for additional funding will need to be evaluated by the TAC on a case-by-case basis and approved for possible recommendation to the Policy Board.

Robert Lewis made a motion to table the agenda item until after agenda item #9, seconded by Victor Goebel; the motion passed unanimously.

Jason Deckman stated that he is comfortable applying new money to already existing projects. Bob van Til noted the need for a strategy to mitigate hyperinflation and asked how KTMPO is going to utilize funding for this issue.

Robert Lewis made a motion to recommend approval of the amendments to Project N40-05, FM 439 Spur Connectivity in the FY21-24 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), seconded by David Williams; the motion passed with 7 yeas and 1 nay by Bryan Neaves.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding amending the UPWP to shift dedicated Special Study funds to Administration so KTMPO can hire additional staff.

Uryan Nelson presented the topic of shifting dedicated Special Studies funds to Administration so KTMPO can hire additional staff. Uryan explained that Task 5, Special Studies has several placeholders subtasks with unused planning dollars. KTMPO is interested in transferring those dollars to Task 1, Administration to allow for more staff to be hired. Mr. Nelson added that additional staff will help the MPO be better able to respond to the large amounts of funding coming down the pipeline from the recently passed IJA/BIL. No further discussion by the board was held on the topic.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding presentation on Public Involvement Dashboard Tool and project updates.

Dan Malsom with Kimley Horn gave a brief presentation for the KTMPO Public Involvement Dashboard tool to the committee. Mr. Malsom showed an overview of the way the data collection and tracking sheets work and the way the public will view the comment webpage. Uryan Nelson commented on the auto script running in the background after the public submit the form, and it automatically generating the data spreadsheets.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding update from TxDOT on major construction in the KTMPO area and project planning/development updates.

Stephen Kasberg and Victor Goebel gave a brief update on various road and construction projects around bell county and the KTMPO area within the Waco District. Both Mr. Kasberg and Mr. Goebel highlighted two things effecting the industry is inflation and supply chain shortages. Victor Goebel commented a way to fight against inflation is by getting projects ready to let sooner. Mr. Goebel mentioned that this will being to hit our smaller communities. Mr. Goebel highlighted the available opportunity of Cat 7 fund project within the TIP and if it is ready to go, that the TPP division might allow you to let it as soon as possible to account for other MPOs not spending their Cat 7 funds.

10 Discussion Item: Regarding public input received through June 2022.

Public input received through June 2022 was presented to the TAC. Public comment received on May 13 about disliking construction on US 190, in Copperas Cove.

11. Member Comments:

No member comments.

12. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by TAC at their 08/03/2022 meeting.


Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director