



**KILLEEN-TEMPLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (KTMPPO)**

**Transportation Planning Policy Board (TPPB)**

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

9:30 AM

**Regular Meeting**

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG)

2180 North Main Street

Belton, TX 76513

**Policy Board Voting Members**

Vice Chair Councilmember Susan Long – City of Temple	Councilmember Mike Pilkington – City of Temple
Mayor David Leigh – City of Belton	Raymond Suarez – Hill Country Transit District
Councilmember Fred Chavez – City of Copperas Cove	Brenton Lane for Stan Swiatek – TxDOT Waco District*
Mayor Michael Blomquist – City of Harker Heights	Jason Scantling for Greg Cedillo – TxDOT Brownwood District*
Councilmember Riakos Adams – City of Killeen	
Mayor Tim Davis – City of Temple	

**Non-Voting Members**

Kristina Manning – Fort Cavazos  
Justin P. Morgan – Federal Highway Administration Texas Division

**Additional Attendees**

Bob van Til – City of Belton	Daniel Davila – TxDOT Waco District*
Ryan Haverlah – City of Copperas Cove	Allen Matthews – TxDOT Waco District*
Kristina Ramirez – City of Harker Heights	Todd Gibson – TxDOT TPP*
Jason Deckman – City of Temple	Uryan Nelson – KTMPPO Director
Kara Escajeda – City of Nolanville	James McGill – KTMPPO
Keith Sledd – HOTDA	Anita Janke – KTMPPO
Nicole Gray – TxDOT Waco District*	Callie Tullos – KTMPPO
Austin Valentine – TxDOT Waco District*	Hope Davis – KTMPPO*
Christopher Cole – Killeen Airport*	Kendra Coufal – KTMPPO*

*\*Denotes online attendee*

**Meeting Minutes:**

- 1. Call to Order:** Councilmember Susan Long called the meeting to order at 9:32 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 reminded the Policy Board of upcoming KTMPO meetings through April and reported that KTMPO had received the final audit report from TxDOT. Mr. Nelson also shared that staff have had further conversations with TransPod about a potential hyperloop test track and received a template letter of support that local entities can sign. The Policy Board discussed the merits and potential drawbacks of TransPod installing a test track in the KTMPO region. Mr. Nelson also updated the Policy Board on the greenhouse gas performance measures, informing all that KTMPO will no longer be able to adopt the state's performance targets, but that further discussions are happening nationally. The maximum ozone air quality readings for the month of January were 60 parts per billion (ppb) at the Temple station and 62 ppb at the Killeen station.

### **4. Action Item:** Approve minutes from the January 24, 2024, meeting.

**Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the January 24, 2024, meeting minutes, seconded by Mayor Michael Blomquist; the motion passed unanimously.**

### **5. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of Resolution 2024-02 supporting the 2024 Transit Asset Management (TAM) performance targets established by Hill Country Transit District (HCTD).

Jame McGill presented the Policy Board with the yearly approval of HCTD's annual Asset Management (TAM) performance targets. Raymond Suarez added that HCTD is planning to hold an auction soon to sell off over 80% of current assets, which along with the transition to microtransit will bring the percentage of total assets within their performance target.

**Councilmember Fred Chavez made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-02 supporting the 2024 Transit Asset Management (TAM) performance targets established by Hill Country Transit District, seconded by Councilmember Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.**

### **6. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of Resolution 2024-03 supporting the 2024 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) performance targets established by Hill Country Transit District (HCTD).

James McGill informed the Policy Board of HCTD's 2024 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) performance targets and reminded the Policy Board that KTMPO is federally required to adopt these targets annually.

**Mayor Tim Davis made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-03 supporting the 2024 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) performance targets established by Hill Country Transit District, seconded by Councilmember Riakos Adams; the motion passed unanimously.**

### **7. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding approval of the 2023 Public Engagement Plan (PEP) update.

James McGill updated the Policy Board on the new 2023 Public Engagement Plan and provided a summary of KTMPO's required public engagement activities including several public meetings and a 45-day public comment period. Uryan Nelson expressed gratitude towards KTMPO staff for their efforts in creating the 2023 PEP.

**Mayor Michael Blomquist made a motion to approve the 2023 Public Engagement Plan (PEP) update, seconded by Raymond Suarez; the motion passed unanimously.**

**8. Discussion and Action Item:** Regarding initiation of public involvement for amendments to the FY23-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

James McGill presented the Policy Board with the FY23-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) amendments. Mr. McGill informed the Policy Board that the proposed amendments will have no fiscal impact on KTMPO's budget. Uryan Nelson mentioned that the Killeen NEVI Project is a state project which KTMPO is adding to the TIP as a formality.

**Councilmember Riakos Adams made a motion to approve the initiation of public involvement for amendments to the FY23-26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), seconded by Mayor David Leigh; the motion passed unanimously.**

**9. Discussion Item:** Regarding development of the FY2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

James McGill updated the Policy Board on the development of the new FY2025-2028 TIP. Mr. McGill shared the three different options for programming projects into the new TIP that was discussed with the TAC. Mr. McGill added that the TAC's recommendation was option #2 to wait and program new projects until after the 2023 Project Call Scoring Process is completed.

**10. Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the KTMPO MTP Steering Committee.

James McGill reminded the Policy Board the MTP Steering Committee meeting will follow once the Policy Board adjourns and provided an update on the previous month's meeting.

**11. Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) Grant.

James McGill informed the Policy Board of a draft resolution for the Safe Streets & Roads for All policy commitment and requested the Policy Board review the resolution provided in the meeting packet.

**12. Discussion Item:** Regarding an update on the possible MPO Boundary Expansion.

Uryan Nelson shared that an email was received stating some of the information KTMPO requested regarding the MPO Boundary Expansion may be provided within the next week. Mr. Nelson explained, until further information is provided, there will be no updates for the MPO Boundary Expansion.

**13. Discussion Item:** Regarding public input received through January 2024.

James McGill informed the Policy Board of three public comments received through January; one regarding information about the Bell County Thoroughfare Plan, another inquiring about transit services between Killen and Temple, and the final one regarding the where you can chain your bicycle. Mr. McGill added that staff had responded to all comments received.

**14. Member Comments:** No Comments.

**15. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the TPPB members at their meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.

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Judge Roger Miller, Chair

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Uryan Nelson, KTMPO Director