#### MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD FOR THE EL PASO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (EPMPO)

Friday September 22, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

#### Blue Flame Building 304 Texas Avenue El Paso, TX 79901 17th Floor (Center for Community Empowerment)

#### NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

### **Public Participation and Public Comment**

Members of the public may attend the meeting in person, or view the meeting via livestream: https://www.elpasompo.org/TPBVideos

Public comment is allowed subject to the following restrictions:

- Speakers are allowed up to three (3) minutes each, but may be limited further at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.
- Members of the public wishing to provide comment must sign up no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting by emailing menriquez@elpasompo.org or by calling (915) 212-0258.
- Members of the public may also submit their public comment electronically to menriquez@elpasompo.org and • the comment will be read during the open comment period or before the appropriate agenda item, as requested in the email. Emails must be received no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

### Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para traducir esta información, llame al 915-212-0258.

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL
- **OPEN COMMENT PERIOD**

(The agenda and backup materials for the meeting packet are posted and available on the MPO website: https://www.elpasompo.org/TPBMinutesandAgendas)

### **DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

- Consider approval of the minutes of the August 18, 2023 TPB meeting. 1 Presenter: TPB Chair
- 2. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso's application to the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) Fiscal Year 2023 Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant program for the ELP Airport City Lab Innovation Zone Project Presenter: Omar Martinez
- 3. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso's application to the USDOT FY 2023 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN) grant program for the Reconnecting Communities at PDN and Stanton International Bridges Project Presenter: Omar Martinez
- 4. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso's application to the USDOT FY 2023 RCN grant program for the I-10 Deck Plaza Design Project Presenter: Omar Martinez
- 5. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #11 with a maximum funding amount of \$40,000. pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between EI Paso MPO and UTEP. UTEP will provide assistance in Travel Demand Modeling, Air Quality Conformity and Public Involvement Activities and Other Activities included in the El Paso MPO's Unified Planning Work Program

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo, Executive Director (MPO)

# **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:**

- 6. <u>TxDOT El Paso District Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects' Public Hearing</u> *Presenter: Adriana Rodriguez (TxDOT El Paso District)*
- 7. <u>MPO Administrative Amendments Report</u> Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)
- 8. Quarterly Reports
  - a. September 2023 Project Completion Report (PCR)
  - b. September 2023 Project Readiness Report (PRR)

Presenter: Gerardo Fierro (MPO)

- 9. Executive Director's Report
  - a. Texas Transportation Commissioner Alex Meade visit to El Paso
  - b. Peer Review Trip to San Diego, CA
  - c. A Better Border for a Better America Conference

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

## EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the TPB may retire into Executive Session to discuss any of the following:

Section 551.071	Consultation with Attorney
Section 551.072	Deliberation Regarding Real Property
Section 551.073	Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts
Section 551.074	Personnel Matters
Section 551.076	Deliberation Regarding Security Devices
Section 551.087	Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

The items listed above are matters of the sort routinely discussed in Executive Session, but the TPB may move to Executive Session on any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act. The TPB will return to open session to take any final action and may also bring forward any of the following items for public discussion at any time during the meeting, as appropriate.

10. Adjournment

The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for <u>9:00 a.m.</u> on <u>October 20, 2023</u>. The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is <u>October</u> <u>04, 2023, by 3:00 p.m.</u>

\*These projects met the seven-day public comment requirement of the EI Paso MPO's Public Participation Plan

Sign Language and/or foreign language interpreters can be made available for the meeting upon requests made a minimum of 48 hours prior to meeting start time. Copies of the Agenda will be provided in Braille, large print, other languages, or audio recording upon request made a minimum of 48 hours prior to meeting start time. Provision of foreign language interpreters and/or copies of the agenda in foreign languages shall be dependent upon availability of qualified interpretation services.

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Lenguaje de señas, intérpretes al español (a condición de que uno esté disponible) y copias de la agenda se proveerán en Braille, copias ampliadas, otros idiomas, o grabación de audio con petición de un mínimo de 48 horas antes de la fecha y de la hora de la reunión.

Posted this <u>18th day of September 2023</u> at the El Paso County Courthouse, First Floor, 500 San Antonio Street, El Paso, Texas; and digitally on the website of the New Mexico Department of Transportation-District 1 and the El Paso MPO.

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Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the Transportation Policy Board