

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

Friday March 22, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

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

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

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- **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:

1. [Consider approval of the minutes of the February 23, 2024 TPB meeting.](#)
Presenter: TPB Chair
2. [Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso Mass Transit Department, Sun Metro, for the Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2024 FTA Low or No Emission and Buses and Bus Facilities Grant Program](#)
Presenter: Jerry DeMuro (Sun Metro)
3. [Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #1 with the El Paso MPO General Planning Consultant for Metropolitan Transportation Plan \(MTP\) update schedule & work plan development, and on-call general transportation support services, for an amount not to exceed \\$99,631.07](#)
Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)
4. [Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #2 with the El Paso MPO General Planning Consultant for development of the Travel Demand Model and International Travel Demand Model for an amount not to exceed \\$1,000,000](#)
Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)
5. [Consider approval of amendments to the Category 9 Transportation Alternative Set Aside \(TASA\) grouped project list to:](#)
 - a. Program the TA23 Alamo Alto Segment of the PDN Trail (Alameda SUP – Phase III) project using \$10,116,919 of Category 9 Statewide TASA funds in FY 2026*

- b. Program the *TA23 Homestead Meadows SUP* project using \$5,438,171 of Category 9 Statewide TASA funds in FY 2026*
- c. Program the *TA23 Connected Bike Lanes* project using \$1,859,256 of Category 9 Statewide TASA funds in FY 2025*
- d. Program the *TA23 Paso del Norte Trail – Socorro Active Transportation Network* project using \$16,174,505 of Category 9 Statewide TASA funds in FY 2026*

Presenter: Adriana Rodriguez (TXDOT)

- 6. [Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign Amendment #3 to the contract between El Paso MPO and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to increase the maximum authorized reimbursement amount by \\$575,822.00 using FY 24/25 Texas Rider 7 grant funding](#)

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

- 7. [Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a contract between the El Paso MPO and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to perform air quality planning activities to reduce fine particulate matter \(PM 2.5\) emissions using FY 24/25 Texas Rider 7 grant funding with a maximum authorized reimbursement amount of \\$158,634](#)

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

- 8. [TxDOT Travel Survey Program](#)

Presenter: Sonya Solinsky (TXDOT)

- 9. [TXDOT's Truck Parking Action Plan](#)

Presenter: Kale Driemeier (TXDOT) and Brian Comer (HNTB)

- 10. [Quarterly Reports](#)

- a. MPO Administrative Amendments Report

Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)

- b. Project Completion Report
- c. Project Readiness Report
- d. RMS 2020 Report

Presenter: Gerardo Fierro (MPO)

- 11. [Executive Director's Report](#)

- a. New Mexico Statewide Planning & Research Grant

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO)

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.

EX. Item No. 1 Executive Director's Annual Performance Assessment for Year 2023, including review and discussion of the Executive Director's Self-Performance Assessment for Year 2023.

Presenter: MPO Executive Committee Chair

EX. Item No. 2 Executive Director's Employment Agreement

Presenter: MPO Executive Committee Chair

12. Adjournment

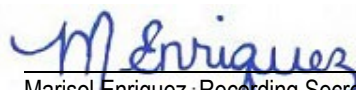
The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for **9:30 a.m.** on **April 19, 2024**. The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is **April 3, 2024, by 3:00 p.m.**

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

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Posted this 15th day of March 2024 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.



Marisol Enriquez; Recording Secretary for the
Transportation Policy Board