

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

Friday February 21, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

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

FIRST AMENDED 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:
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- 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.
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- Notice is hereby given that the EPMPO TPB will participate in a Training Workshop on “Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs): Applications and Considerations for Cross-Border Transportation” from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The EPMPO TPB will take no formal action during the Training Workshop.

Presenter: Swapnil Samant and Rafael Aldrete, PhD (TTI)

- **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 January 24, 2025 TPB meeting.](#)
Presenter: TPB Chair
2. [Consider approval of the El Paso MPO's Annual Financial Report, performed by the external auditing firm of Macias, Gini & O'Connell LLP, for the Year ended August 31, 2024.](#)
Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)
3. [Consider approval of amendments to the Regional Mobility Strategy \(RMS\) 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan \(MTP\), Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and the RMS 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) to program the Montana Brio Corridor - Bus Rapid Transit \(BRT\) Feasibility Study project using \\$750,000 of Category 3 USDOT Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity \(RAISE\) Program funds in Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2025.*](#)
Presenter: Andres Lucero (MPO)

4. [Consider approval of an amendment to the RMS 2050 MTP, Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and the RMS 2025-2028 TIP to program the Border Highway Connector Phase 2 Traffic Impact and Improvements Analysis Feasibility Study project using \\$2,000,000 in New Mexico state funds in Fiscal Year 2025.*](#)
Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)
5. [Consider approval of an amendment to the EPMPO FY 2024-25 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\) to add Work Subtask 5.6 Border Highway Connector Phase 2 Traffic Impact and Improvements Analysis Feasibility Study*](#)
Presenter: Harrison Plourde (MPO)
6. [Consider providing a recommendation to the City of El Paso Mass Transit Board to execute the Interlocal Agreement for Service Expansion between the City of El Paso and South Central Regional Transit Agency \(SCRTD\), in accordance with the Sun Metro Service Expansion Policy.](#)
Presenter: Harrison Plourde (MPO)
7. [Consider approval of submission of legal counsel opinion and a resolution authorizing the submission of El Paso MPO applications with the Federal Transit Administration for funding assistance relating to federal transportation.](#)
8. [Discussion on El Paso MPO staff operations and compensation.](#)
Presenter: TPB Chair
9. [Discuss the Executive Director's Annual Performance Evaluation for Year 2024 self-evaluation form and next steps.](#)
Presenter: TPB Chair

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

10. [Borderplex Safe Mobility Plan progress update.](#)
Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)
11. [Executive Director's Report](#)
 - a. Borderland Expressway Phase 1 Ribbon-Cutting
 - b. Texas Transportation Commission meeting, January 30, 2025
 - c. TxDOT's Draft Fiscal Year 2026 Unified Transportation Program (UTP)*Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (EPMPO 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.

12. Adjournment

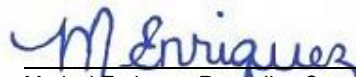
The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for **9:30 a.m.** on **March 21, 2025**. The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is **March 5, 2025, by 3:00 p.m.**

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

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Posted this 19th day of February 2025 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