

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
 Of July 17, 2020

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:

Commissioner, Vincent Perez called the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting to order at 9:06 am at the El Paso MPO Office, 211 N. Florence, Boardroom Suite 103, and El Paso, TX 79901, conducted telephonically and by video conference. TPB Member attendance was as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT		MEMBERS ABSENT	
1. Vincent Perez (Chair)	El Paso County Commissioner, Precinct 3	Joseph Cervantes	NM Senator, District 31
2. Dee Margo (V-Chair)	Mayor, City of El Paso	Esteban Olivas	Alderman, Town Clint
3. Joe Moody	TX State Representative – 78 th District	Antonio Araujo	Mayor City of San Elizario
4. Ellen Smyth	Director, Mass Transit-Sun Metro	Raymundo Lara	NM State Representative – 34 th District
5. César Blanco	TX State Representative – 76 th District		
6. Sam Rodriguez	Director of Aviation, El Paso International Airport		
7. Cissy Lizarraga	City Representative, District 8		
8. Javier Perea	Mayor, Sunland Park, NM		
9. Art Fierro	TX State Representative – 79 th District		
10. Sam Morgan	City Representative – District 4		
11. Diana Trujillo	Mayor Anthony, NM		
12. Jose Rodriguez	TX State Senator		
13. Yvette Hernandez	Grant Funded Program Director, COEP		
14. Walter Miller	Alderman 1, Town of Horizon		
15. Mary E. Gonzalez	TX State Representative – 75 th District		
16. Lina Ortega	TX State Representative, 77 th District		
17. Tommy Gonzalez	City Manager, City of El Paso	MPO STAFF	
18. Norma Palacios	Public Works Director, County of El Paso	Sergio Estrada	MPO/TPB Attorney
19. Henry Rivera	City Representative – District 7	Eduardo Calvo	Executive Director
20. Ricardo Samaniego	Judge, El Paso County	Roger Williams	Assistant Executive Director
21. Chuck McMahon	Doña Ana County Assist. Manager of Operations	Gabriela Lopez	Associate Regional Transportation Analyst
22. Tomas Trevino	District Engineer, TXDOT – El Paso	Marisol Enriquez	Admin. Secretary / TPB Recording Secretar
23. Rene Rodriguez	City of Socorro	Bryan Miskimen	Transportation Financial Analyst
24. Benjamin Romero	Mayor, Town of Anthony, TX	Lizeth Peña	Administrative Specialist
25. Manuel Leos	Mayor, Village of Vinton	Salvador Gonzalez Ayala	Transportation Manager
26. Trent Doolittle	District Engineer, NMDOT	Sonia Perez	
		Claudia Valles	
OTHERS PRESENT		OTHERS PRESENT	
Adriana Rodriguez – City of Socorro	Chris Williges - HDR	Jason Rodriguez	Melissa Montemayor
Alec Mondello - Creosote Collaborative	David Coronado - CoEP	Jennifer Wright - TXDOT	Alejandro Solis
Miguel Fraga – Creosote Collaborative	Dennis Bruce	Jessica Rodriguez	Noemi Rojas - HNTB
Alliin01	Don Flores - HNTB	Jose Landeros – EP County	Rosy Cardenas - Dannenbaum
Arielle Kurkin	Eddie Valtier - TXDOT	Jose Reyes – Dannenbaum	Raneen Karboji
Art Estrada - TXDOT	Efrain - TXDOT	JS Gonzalez	Raul Escobedo – Sun Metro
Blanca Serrano- TXDOT	Genevieve Bales - FHWA	Kelvin Kroeker - HNTB	Raymond Telles - CRRMA
Caroline – Mary G. or TXDOT	Giacomo Yaquinto - TXDOT	Marty Boyd - TXDOT	Steven Howard
Roberto T.	R. Sanchez	Thelma Ramirez - TXDOT	
Sito Negron	T. Uribe	Raul Ortega	

(Meeting began with 24 members)

* No Public Comment:

DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

- Approve the minutes of the June 19, 2020 Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting.
Motion to approve the minutes for the June 19, 2020 Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded by Alderman Walter Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Nomination/election of Chairperson.
Motion to approve nomination/election of Mayor Dee Margo as Chairperson made by Alderman Walter Miller and seconded by Mayor Javier Perea. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Nomination/election of Vice-Chairperson.
Motion to approve nomination/election of Representative Lina Ortega as Vice-Chairperson made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded by Representative at Senator Jose Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTED CHAIRPERSON (AS APPROPRIATE) CONDUCTS MEETING, DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

4. Appointment of 2020-2021 Executive Committee.
Mayor Dee Margo made the following appointments to the Executive Committee for Year 2019-2020: Chair Mayor Margo, Vice-Chair Lina Ortega, Chuck McMahon, Alderman Walter Miller, Tomas Trevino, County Judge Ricardo Samaniego, Trent Doolittle.
Motion to approve appointment of EC made by Henry Rivera ad seconded by Senator Jose Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Authorize Chair to execute Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with UTEP.
Motion to authorize Chair to execute Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with UTEP made by Henry Rivera and seconded by Representative Lina Ortega. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Authorize Executive Director, or his designee, to execute Task Order No. 1 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with UTEP.
Motion to authorize Executive Director, or his designee, to execute Task Order No. 1 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with UTEP made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded Representative At Large Rene Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TPAC) TO:

7. June 2020 Project Readiness Report.
Motion to approve recommendation from the Transportation Project Advisory Committee to approve June 2020 Project Readiness Report made by Norma Palacios and seconded by Alderman Walter Miller. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

8. Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2020 project development
Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.
9. RMS 2050 Travel Demand Model
Status report provided by EPMPO – Salvador Gonzalez-Ayala.
10. RMS 2050 MTP Status.
 - a. On-line Visioning Meetings
 - b. Call for Projects**Status report provided by EPMPO – Assistant Executive Director Roger Williams.**
11. Decision Lens evaluation and Prioritization process for RMS 2050 projects.
Status report provided by EPMPO – Bryan Miskimen.
12. TASA Call for Projects (Fiscal Years 2023-2024).
Status report provided by EPMPO – Bryan Miskimen.
13. 5310 Call for Projects (Fiscal Years 2021-2022).
Status report provided by EPMPO – Bryan Miskimen.
14. Update on the Texas-Mexico Border Transportation Master Plan.
Status report provided by TXDOT – Giacomo Yaquinto.

15. Update on Fiscal Year 2021 Unified Transportation Program (UTP).
Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.
16. Administrative Amendment to adjust funding on NM 404/I-10 Bridge Replacement project.
Status report provided by NMDOT – Trent Doolittle.
17. Executive Director's Report.
 - a. Border Trade Advisory Committee meeting
 - b. Status of MPO meetings and activities under COVID-19 conditions**Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.**

The **next meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for **9:00 a.m.** on **August 21, 2020** at the El Paso MPO Office located at 211 N. Florence Street, Suite 103 (MPO Boardroom on 1st Floor), El Paso, TX 79901.

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


18. Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 10:20 a.m. made by Representative Henry Rivera seconded by Representative Mary Gonzalez.
Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

*The Transportation Policy Board may retire into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, to discuss any of the following: (The items listed below are matters of the sort routinely discussed in Executive Session, but the Transportation Policy Board may move to Executive Session any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.) The Transportation Policy Board will return to open session to take any final action and may also, at any time during the meeting, bring forward any of the following items for public discussion, as appropriate.*

The TPB did not retire into Executive Session.

Approved as to content:



Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary of the
Transportation Policy Board for the El Paso MPO Study Area