

**TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES  
Of October 23, 2020**

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor, Dee Margo called the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting to order at 9:15 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	
TITLES	TITLES	TITLES	TITLES
1. Dee Margo (Chair)	Mayor, City of El Paso	Joseph Cervantes	NM Senator, District 31
2. Lina Ortega (V-Chair)	TX State Representative, 77th District	Esteban Olivas	Alderman, Town Clint
3. Ellen Smyth	Director, Mass Transit-Sun Metro	Antonio Araujo	Mayor City of San Elizario
4. César Blanco	TX State Representative – 76th District	Raymundo Lara	NM State Representative – 34th District
5. Cissy Lizarraga	City Representative, District 8	Benjamin Romero	Mayor, Town of Anthony, TX
6. Javier Perea	Mayor, Sunland Park, NM	Ricardo Samaniego	Judge, El Paso County
7. Art Fierro	TX State Representative – 79th District		
8. Sam Morgan	City Representative – District 4		
9. Diana Trujillo	Mayor Anthony, NM		
10. Yvette Hernandez	Grant Funded Program Director, COEP		
11. Walter Miller	Alderman 1, Town of Horizon		
12. Mary E. Gonzalez	TX State Representative – 75th District		
13. Tommy Gonzalez	City Manager, City of El Paso		
14. Norma Palacios	Public Works Director, County of El Paso	<b>MPO STAFF</b>	
15. Henry Rivera	City Representative – District 7	Sergio Estrada	MPO/TPB Attorney
16. Joe Moody	TX State Representative – 78th District	Eduardo Calvo	Executive Director
17. Carlos Leon	El Paso County Commissioner, Precinct 1	Roger Williams	Assistant Executive Director
18. Chuck McMahon	Doña Ana County Assist. Manager of Operations	Gabriela Lopez	Associate Regional Transportation Analyst
19. Tomas Trevino	District Engineer, TXDOT – El Paso	Marisol Enriquez	Admin. Secretary / TPB Recording Secretary
20. Rene Rodriguez	City of Socorro	Bryan Miskimen	Transportation Financial Analyst
21. Jose Rodriguez	TX State Senator	Lizeth Peña	Administrative Specialist
22. Manuel Leos	Mayor, Village of Vinton	Salvador Gonzalez Ayala	Transportation Manager
23. Trent Doolittle	District Engineer, NMDOT	Sonia Perez	Regional Transportation Planner
24. Sam Rodriguez	Director of Aviation, EP International Airport	Claudia Valles	Transportation Planner
<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>		<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>	
Art Estrada	Greg McNicol	Richard Dayoub	
Angela Roberson	Jennifer Wright	Rossy Cardenas	
Art Estrada	Jose Landeros	Sal Alonso	
Blanca Serrano	Karl McElhaney	Sofia Morales	
Don Nelson	Kelvin Kroeker	Trish Puckett	
Don Flores	Marty Boyd	Victor de la Garza	
Eddie Valtier	Priscilla Contreras	Yvonne Coupland	
Eduardo Perales	Rafael Aldrete		
Efrain Esparza	Raul Ortega		
Genevieve Bales	Raymond Telles		

(Meeting began with 19 members)

\* No Public Comment:

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

- Approve the minutes of the September 28, 2020 Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting.  
**Motion to approve the minutes for the September 28, 2020 Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded by Alderman Walter Miller. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Approve the schedule for Transportation Policy Board meetings for calendar year 2021

**Motion to approve the schedule for Transportation Policy Board meetings for calendar year 2021 made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded by Representative Cissy Lizarraga. Motion passed unanimously.**

3. Approve the following Task Orders pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement with the University of Texas at El Paso:
  - a. Task Order No. 2 to provide data collection and analysis services related to the Congestion Management Process (CMP) in an amount not to exceed \$6,443.00 in FY2021,
  - b. Task Order No. 3 to update the Multimodal Web Tool with newly available 2019 data in an amount not to exceed \$93,999.00 in FY 2021,
  - c. Task Order No. 4 to develop an Interactive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) web application in amounts not to exceed \$96,000.00 in FY2021 and \$100,000.00 in FY 2022

**Motion to table to next month TPB meeting the following Task Orders pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement with the University of Texas at El Paso:**

- a. **Task Order No. 2 to provide data collection and analysis services related to the Congestion Management Process (CMP) in an amount not to exceed \$6,443.00 in FY2021,**
- b. **Task Order No. 3 to update the Multimodal Web Tool with newly available 2019 data in an amount not to exceed \$93,999.00 in FY 2021,**
- c. **Task Order No. 4 to develop an Interactive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) web application in amounts not to exceed \$96,000.00 in FY2021 and \$100,000.00 in FY 2022**

**made by Alderman Walter Miller and seconded by Representative Henry Rivera. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. Approve Task Order 2 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement with Texas A&M Transportation Institute to provide training sessions for the Transportation Policy Board in Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.

**Motion to approve Task Order 2 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement with Texas A&M Transportation Institute to provide training sessions for the Transportation Policy Board in Fiscal Years 2021 and 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 made by Alderman Walter Miller seconded by Representative Cissy Lizarraga. Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Approve amendments to the Title VI Program to incorporate recommendations from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).  
**Chair Mayor Dee Margo entertained a motion to table for next month the amendments to the Title VI Program to incorporate recommendations from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) seconded by Representative Henry Rivera. One Abstain by Tomas Trevino. Motion passed.**

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

6. Amend the Destino 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Destino 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to:
  - a) Program the Booth Road Widening-Operational Improvements project using Border State Infrastructure (SBSI) funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022.
  - b) Amend the Bicycle Infrastructure Citywide project to change limits in FY 2021.

**Chair Dee Margo entertained a motion to amend the Destino 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Destino 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to:**

- a) **Program the Booth Road Widening-Operational Improvements project using Border State Infrastructure (SBSI) funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022.**
- b) **Amend the Bicycle Infrastructure Citywide project to change limits in FY 2021.**

**seconded by Representative Lina Ortega. Motion carried unanimously**

**REPORTS:**

7. Statewide Transportation Systems Management & Operations (TSMO) Program  
**Status report provided by TXDOT- AECOM – Victor De La Garza.**
8. Regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture  
**Status report provided by AECOM – Dan Nelson.**
9. Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2020 Project Development  
**Status report provided by EPMPPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.**
10. RMS 2050 MTP Update.  
**Status report provided by EPMPPO – Salvador Gonzalez-Ayala.**
11. Executive Director's Report.

**Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.**

The **next meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for **9:00 a.m.** on **November 13, 2020** at the El Paso MPO Office located at 211 N. Florence Street, Suite 103 (MPO Boardroom on 1<sup>st</sup> Floor), El Paso, TX 79901.

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

12. Adjournment.

**Motion to adjourn at 11:02 a.m. made by Representative Cissy Lizarraga seconded by Mayor Manuel Leos. 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