TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Of September 18, 2020

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:
Mayor, Dee Margo 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	TITLES	MEMBERS ABSENT	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	Carlos Leon	El Paso County Commissioner, Precinct 1
6. Javier Perea	Mayor, Sunland Park, NM	Joe Moody	TX State Representative – 78th District
7. Art Fierro	TX State Representative – 79th District	Sam Rodriguez	Director of Aviation, EP International Airport
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	**MPO STAFF**	
14. Norma Palacios	Public Works Director, County of El Paso	Sergio Estrada	MPO/TPB Attorney
15. Henry Rivera	City Representative – District 7	Eduardo Calvo	Executive Director
16. Ricardo Samaniego	Judge, El Paso County	Roger Williams	Assistant Executive Director
17. Jose Rodriguez	TX State Senator	Gabriela Lopez	Associate Regional Transportation Analyst
18. Chuck McMahon	Doña Ana County Assist. Manager of Operations	Marisol Enriquez	Admin. Secretary / TPB Recording Secretary
19. Tomas Trevino	District Engineer, TXDOT – El Paso	Bryan Miskimen	Transportation Financial Analyst
20. Rene Rodriguez	City of Socorro	Lizeth Peña	Administrative Specialist
21. Benjamin Romero	Mayor, Town of Anthony, TX	Salvador Gonzalez Ayala	Transportation Manager
22. Manuel Leos	Mayor, Village of Vinton	Sonia Perez	Regional Transportation Planner
23. Trent Doolittle	District Engineer, NMDOT	Claudia Valles	Transportation Planner
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OTHERS PRESENT		OTHERS PRESENT	
Art Estrada - TXDOT	Jose Reyes – Dannenbaum	Teresa Martinez –	
David Coronado – CoEP	Jennifer Wright - TXDOT	Thelma Ramirez - TXDOT	
Don Flores - HNTB	Kelvin Kroeker – HNTB	Tony Uribe	
Eddie Valtier – TXDOT	Marty Boyd – TXDOT	Steven Howard	
Eduardo Perales - TXDOT	Sofia Morales – Office of Rep. Blanco		
Greg McNicol – UTEP	Jose Landeros – El Paso County		
Homerio Bernal - NMDOT	Raul Ortega - CoEP		
Hugo Hernandez - TXDOT	Rossy Cardenas - Dannenbaum		
Kael McElhaney- Office of Commissioner Leon	Sito Negron – Office of Rep. Rodriguez		
Priscilla Contretras – Office of Rep. Rivera	Mike Chaney – Alliance Transportation		

(Meeting began with 19 members)

* No Public Comment:

DISCUSSION AND ACTION:
1. Approve the minutes of the August 21, 2020 Transportation Policy Bard (TPB) meeting.
   Motion to approve the minutes for the August 21, 2020 Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting made by Alderman Walter Miller and seconded by Representative Lina Ortega. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Authorize the Executive Director to submit comments on behalf of the TPB in to the Request for Information on the interim changes from the Transportation Committee of the TX House of Representatives.
Motion to Authorize the Executive Director to submit comments on behalf of the TPB in response to the Request for Information on the interim changes from the Transportation Committee of the TX House of Representatives made by Mayor Perea and seconded by Alderman Walter Miller. One Abstain by Tomas Trevino. Motion passed.

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

3. Amend the Destino 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Destino 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to:

   a. Amend the NM 404 Widening Project to reduce State Legislative funds, increase National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funds, increase Surface Transportation Program (STP) Large Urban funds, increase STP Flex funds and increase Border State Infrastructure (SBSI) funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022.
   Motion to mend the NM 404 Widening Project to reduce State Legislative funds, increase National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) funds, increase Surface Transportation Program (STP) Large Urban funds, increase STP Flex funds and increase Border State Infrastructure (SBSI) funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. made by Alderman Walter Miller and seconded by Representative At Large Rene Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously.

   b. Deprogram Lisa Drive Connectivity Project (LDCP) – Construction Phase I using Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds in FY 2021.
   Motion to deprogram Lisa Drive Connectivity Project (LDCP) – Construction Phase I using Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds in FY 2021made by Representative Lina Ortega and seconded by Representative Cissy Lizarraga. Motion carried unanimously.

   c. Deprogram Lisa Drive Connectivity Project (LDCP) – Construction Phase II using TAP funds in FY 2022
   Motion to deprogram Lisa Drive Connectivity Project (LDCP) – Construction Phase II using TAP funds in FY 2022 made by Representative Henry Rivera and seconded by Norma Palacios. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve the September 2020 Project Readiness Report.
   Motion approve the September 2020 Project Readiness Report made by Representative Cissy Lizarraga and seconded by Norma Palacios. Motion carried unanimously

5. Adopt Sun Metro's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP).
   Motion adopt Sun Metro's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) made by Representative At Large Rene Rodriguez and seconded by Senator Jose Rodriguez. Motion carried unanimously

6. Approve the Midpoint Performance Period On-road Mobile Source Emissions Targets for Carbon Monoxide (CO) at 841.62 kg/day and Particulate Matter less than or equal to 10 microns (PM-10) at 21.96 kg/ day for the Texas portion of the EPMPO planning area and PM-10 at 3.48 kg/day for the New Mexico portion of the EPMPO planning area.
   Motion to approve the Midpoint Performance Period On-road Mobile Source Emissions Targets for Carbon Monoxide (CO) at 841.62 kg/day and Particulate Matter less than or equal to 10 microns (PM-10) at 21.96 kg/ day for the Texas portion of the EPMPO planning area and PM-10 at 3.48 kg/day for the New Mexico portion of the EPMPO planning area made by Representative At Large Rene Rodriguez and seconded by Representative Lina Ortega. Motion carried unanimously

7. Approve the EPMPO's Amended Public Participation Plan (PPP)
   Motion to approve the EPMPO's Amended Public Participation Plan (PPP) made by Representative Cissy Lizarraga and seconded by Representative Art Fierro. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Adopt Relative Weights for Decision Lens Criteria.
   Motion adopt Relative Weights for Decision Lens Criteria made by Representative Sam Morgan and seconded by Mayor Javier Perea. Motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS:

9. Preview of the Project Development Process Workshop

Status report provided by TXDOT – Marty Boyd.

10. Update on the Texas-Mexico Border Transportation Master Plan Draft Priority Project List.
Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.
Status report provided by COEP – David Coronado.
Status report provided by TXDOT – Tomas Trevino.

11. Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2020 Project Development
Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.

12. RMS 2050 Travel Demand Model.
Status report provided by EPMPO – Salvador Gonzalez-Ayala.
Status report provided by Cambridge Systematics – Mike Chaney

13. Training and Absences of members for MPO committees.
Status report provided by EPMPO – Marisol Enriquez.

14. Executive Director's Report.
    a. Update on the FY 2021 UTP public comment period
    b. Impacts of the 2020 U.S. Census on transportation funding
Status report provided by EPMPO – Executive Director Eduardo Calvo.

The **next meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for **9:00 a.m.** on **October 23, 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.

15. Adjournment.
Motion to adjourn at 10:58 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:

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