

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FOR THE  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
APPROVED MINUTES  
December 3, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by Greg McNicol, Chairman of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee, at 1:31pm, at the El Paso MPO Board Room, 211 N. Florence, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Suite 103, El Paso, TX. Members in attendance were:

<b>TPAC Voting Members Present:</b>			<b>Others Present:</b>	
1.	Greg McNicol	UTEP, Chair	Thelma Ramirez	TXDOT
2.	Jose Landeros	El Paso County, Vice-Chair	Sal Alonzo	El Paso County
3.	Marty Boyd	TxDOT	David Sutton	HDR
4.	Evaristo Cruz	Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo	Don Flores	HNTB
5.	Raul Escobedo	Mass Transit Board (Sun Metro)	Kelvin Kroeker	HNTB
6.	Yvette Hernandez	City of El Paso	Jose Reyes	Dannenbaum
7.	Harold Love	NMDOT	Debbie Hudson	NMDOT
8.	Michelle Padilla	Horizon City	Kim Johnson	Blanton & Associates
9.	Samuel Paz	Doña Ana County, NM	Jim Smith	Citizen
10.	Benjamin Romero	Town of Anthony	Sito Negron	Senator Rodriguez Office
11.	Maya Sanchez	City of San Elizario		
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			<b>MPO Staff:</b>	
	<b>TPAC Voting Members Absent:</b>		Eduardo Calvo	MPO, Executive Director
	Santos Lucero	Village of Vinton	Roger Williams	MPO, Assistant Director
	Esteban Olivas	Town of Clint	Lizeth Pena	MPO, Recording Secretary
	Rene Rodriguez	City of Socorro	Marisol Enriquez	MPO
	Gloria Ramirez	City of Anthony, NM	Gabriela Lopez	MPO
	Hector Rangel	City of Sunland Park	Brian Miskimen	MPO

*(Meeting began with 9 members)*

*\*Chair Greg McNicol opened meeting for Public Comment.*

**No public Comment**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO:**

1. Approve the minutes for the November 6, 2019 Transportation Project Advisory Committee (TPAC) meeting.

**Motion to approve the minutes from the October 2, 2019 Transportation Project Advisory Committee (TPAC) meeting made by Jose Landeros seconded by Benjamin Romero. Motion passed with one abstained, Greg McNicol**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD (TPB):**

2. Approve El Paso Mobility Plan

**Motion to approve El Paso Mobility Plan made by Marty Boyd seconded by Benjamin Romero. Motion passed with one abstained Maya Sanchez.**

*\*Chair Greg McNicol, took public comment:*

1. Jim Smith-Citizen, Serves as Chairman of the Coalition AdHoc Committee. Mr. Smith wanted to thank the Transportation Committee for the efforts made to improve the community and distributed informational handouts about the Borderland Expressway (handouts were not part of the agenda).

2. Sito Negron- Senator Rodriguez's Assistant, has a question if this was the only opportunity for the committee to vote on the selection of projects and if public comment will be taken into consideration for the selection of projects.

3. Amend the Destino 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Destino 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to program prioritized list of projects from the 2020-2022 Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) call for projects.

**Motion to amend the Destino 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Destino 2019-2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to program prioritized list of projects from the 2020-2022 Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) call for projects made by Michelle Padilla seconded by Jose Landeros. Motion carried unanimously.**

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4. Approve the December 2019 Project Readiness Report and corresponding potential impacts to the MPO's TIP and MTP.  
**Motion to approve the December 2019 Project Readiness Report and corresponding potential impacts to the MPO's TIP and MTP made by Jose Landeros seconded by Michelle Padilla. Motion carried unanimously.**

**REPORTS:**

5. Review of the Year End Fund Policy and Preliminary Engineering (PE) Policy, and potential new Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) policy.

**Status Report given by EMPO-Assistant Director Roger Williams.**

6. Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-2024 TIP and Texas Statewide Transportation Program (STIP) development.

**Status Report Given EPMPO- Assistant Director, Roger Williams.**

7. Amendment to the Destino 2045 MTP and Transportation Conformity Report.

**Status report given by EPMPO- Assistant Director Roger Williams.**

8. Reduction of the Texas CMAQ funds for FY 2023-2027 and impact to MPO planning documents.

**Status Report given by EPMPO- Assistant Director Roger Williams.**

*The **next regular meeting** of the TPAC is scheduled at **1:30 p.m.** on **January 8, 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.*

6. Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:26pm made by Raul Escobedo seconded by Benjamin Romero. Motion carried unanimously.**

Approved as to content:



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Lizeth R. Pena, Recording Secretary for the  
Transportation Project Advisory Committee