

**MEETING OF THE SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FOR THE  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
APPROVED MINUTES  
February 4, 2026**

The meeting was called to order by Joaquin Rodriguez, Chair of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee, at 1.34 p.m., at 211 N. Florence El Paso TX 79901, Suite 202. The meeting was also conducted telephonically and by video conference.

Members in attendance were:

TPAC Voting Members Present:			TPAC Voting Members Absent:	
1.	Art Estrada	TXDOT	Santos Lucero	Village of Vinton
2.	David Ruiz	Horizon City	Ramon Cano	Town of Clint
3.	David Armijo	SCRTD	Stanley Joshua	UTEP
4.	Eddie Conde	City of San Elizario	Charlene Santistevan	Doña Ana County
5.	Harold Love	NMDOT	Manny Balderas	Town of Anthony, TX
6.	Michael McElroy	El Paso County	Gloria Ramirez	City of Anthony, NM
7.	Arisbe Rivas	City of Sunland Park	John Andoh	EPATS-LGC
8.	Lorraine Quimiro	City of Socorro		
9.	Joaquin Rodriguez	City of El Paso	<b>MPO STAFF</b>	
10.	Claudia Garcia	Sun Metro	Anne Guayante	Regional Transportation Manager
11.	Evaristo Cruz	Ysleta del Sur Del Pueblo	Eduardo Calvo	Executive Director
12.			Harrison Plourde	Assistant Executive Director
13.			Marisol Enriquez	Administrative Secretary
<b>TPAC Non - Voting Members Present:</b>			Jennifer Moreno	Transportation Planner
14.	Roberto Mora	IMIP	Nina Rodriguez	Transportation Planner
15.			Andres Lucero	Regional Transportation Analyst

*(Meeting began with 10 members)*

- Chairperson, Joaquin Rodriguez opened Public Comment: No Public comment

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the December 3, 2025 TPAC meeting.  
**Presenter: TPAC Chair**

**Motion to approve the minutes of December 3, 2025, TPAC meeting made by Art Estrada and seconded by Lorraine Quimiro. Motion passed unanimously.**

2. Nominate and Elect Chairperson of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee.  
**Presenter: TPAC Chair**

**Motion to nominate and elect Evaristo Cruz as Chairperson of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee made by Art Estrada and seconded by Lorraine Quimiro. Motion passed unanimously**

3. Nominate and Elect Vice-Chairperson of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee.  
**Presenter: TPAC Chair**

**Motion to nominate and elect Claudia Garcia as Vice - Chairperson of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee made by Joaquin Rodriguez and seconded by Eddie Conde. Motion passed unanimously**

4. Consider making a recommendation to staff on the programming of \$3,107,146 in Category 7 Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) credit program funds made available via an FY 2026 MPO Fiscally Responsible Highway Funding Act (FRHFA) distribution.  
**Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)**

**Motion to table item 4 to next TPAC meeting and set up an ad hoc committee for review of candidate projects (Claudia Garcia, Michael McElroy, Lorraine Quimiro, Evaristo Cruz) made by Joaquin Rodriguez and seconded by Claudia Garcia. Motion passed unanimously**

- Claudia Garcia, Art Estrada, Joaquin Rodriguez commented.

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5. Consider adoption of the Safety Performance Measure (PM1) 2026 targets:
  - a. State of New Mexico PM1 targets
  - b. State of Texas PM1 targets

**Presenter: Jennifer Moreno (MPO)**

**Motion to adoption of the Safety Performance Measure (PM1) 2026 targets**

**a. State of New Mexico PM1 targets**

**b. State of Texas PM1 targets**

**made by Joaquin Rodriguez and seconded by Claudia Garcia. Motion passed unanimously**

**REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:**

6. Presentation on planned transportation projects in Ciudad Juarez.  
**Presenter: Roberto Mora (Instituto Municipal de Investigación y Planeación)**
  
9. Updates on MPO projects:
  - a. International Border Crossing Systemwide Improvements Analysis
  - b. Border Highway Connector Phase 2 Traffic Impact and Improvements Feasibility Study**Presenters: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)**
  - Joaquin Rodriguez, Art Estrada, Eddie Conde Commented
  
7. Update on projects completed using Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Rider 7 State and Local Air Quality Planning grant funding.  
**Presenter: Claudia Valles (MPO)**

**Item 7 postponed.**

8. Update on analysis of the RMS 2052 MTP preliminary project list.  
**Presenter: Jennifer Moreno (MPO)**
  
10. Update on TPAC member training and attendance requirements.  
**Presenter: Harrison Plourde (MPO)**
  - Joaquin Rodriguez Evaristo Cruz, commented.

11. Adjournment

The **next regular meeting** of the TPAC is scheduled for **1:30 p.m.** on **March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is **February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 by 3:00 p.m.**

Approved as to content:



Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the  
Transportation Project Advisory Committee