

TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE (TPC)

RESOLUTION 21-04

APPROVING THE 2021 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN (PPP) AND THE 2021 PROGRAM FOR ADDRESSING DISCRIMINATION, COMPRISED OF: THE TITLE VI PLAN, ACHIEVING RACIAL EQUITY (ARE), ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (EJ), AND THE LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP) PLAN, FOR THE CORPUS CHRISTI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the designated MPO for the Corpus Christi Metropolitan Area with responsibilities to perform regional transportation planning and programming, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA); and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) regulations to implement the law (49 CFR, Part 21) require all recipients and sub-recipients of Federal transportation funds, such as the Corpus Christi MPO, to establish and maintain a Title VI Program that carries out the regulations and integrates the activities and considerations outlined in the USDOT's Policy Guidance; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued Circular FTA 4702.1B, Title VI Requirements and Guidelines for FTA Recipients, on October 12, 2012 providing further guidance and instructions necessary to carry the USDOT Title VI regulations and policy guidance; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO intends that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, and/or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any MPO program or activity; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO developed the Public Participation Plan (PPP) to ensure an open transportation planning process that supports early and continued involvement, timely public notice, and full public access to information regarding key transportation decisions; and

WHEREAS, the PPP guides the public, policymakers and staff to ensure the full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the transportation decision-making process; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO intends to avoid, minimize, or mitigate disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects, including social and economic effects, on minority populations and low-income populations; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO intends to prevent the denial of, reduction in, or significant delay in the receipt of benefits by minority populations and low-income populations; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO intends that persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) shall not be discriminated against nor denied meaningful access to, and participation in, the programs and services provided by the MPO; and

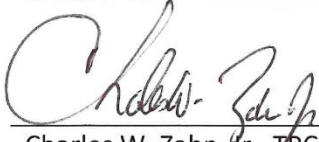
WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO will pursue a comprehensive approach to advancing equity for all, including people of color and others who have been historically underserved, marginalized and adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO initiated a 45-day public comment period for the updated draft of the PPP from May 6, 2021 through June 21, 2021 and held a public meeting on July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Corpus Christi MPO initiated a one month public comment period for the updated draft of the Program Against Discrimination from June 3, 2021 through July 1, 2021 and held a public meeting on July 1, 2021:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, The Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) of the Corpus Christi MPO, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Corpus Christi Metropolitan Area, approves the 2021 Public Participation Plan (PPP) and the 2021 Program for Addressing Discrimination (PAD) dated July 1, 2021;

Witnessed, adopted, and signed on this 1st of July 2021 by:



Charles W. Zahn, Jr., TPC Vice-Chair
Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization
County Judge, San Patricio County

Charles W. Zahn, Jr.

Print Name

ATTEST:



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