

CORPUS CHRISTI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 28, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND QUORUM DETERMINATION

Jeff Pollack Vice Chairperson called the meeting to order at 12:15 P.M.

TAC Members Present:

Jeff Pollack, AICP, Port of Corpus Christi, Vice Chairperson
Paula Sales-Evans, P.E., TxDOT - Corpus Christi District (CRP)
Dan McGinn, AICP, City of Corpus Christi
Juan Pimentel, P.E., Nueces County

MPO Staff Present: Rob MacDonald, P.E., Craig Casper, AICP, Daniel Carrizales, Victor Mendieta, and Karla Carvajal, MBA

2. NON AGENDA ITEMS PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were offered or made.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

A. DRAFT 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment 1

Mr. MacDonald presented the item.

The Corpus Christi MPO staff developed the DRAFT 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2045 MTP) with Amendment 1 for review by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). This MTP Amendment 1 is necessary due to a review by FHWA of the FY 2023-2026 TIP With Amendment 2. The proposed DRAFT 2045 MTP with Amendment 1 Fiscally Constrained Project List is shown in Attachment 1. FHWA staff determined there are inconsistencies with a few projects in the 2045 MTP compared to projects in the FY 2023-2026 TIP with Amendment 2. Those projects include:

- NEVI Charging Station New Project (MPO-077) (CSJ 5000-00-187) \$1,202,800 CAT 10
- Holly Rd. Train Trestle to Tourism Trail (MPO-049) (CSJ 0916-022-282) \$13.034 million CAT 9
- SH 286 Construct Phase I Freeway Extension by Upgrading Existing 2-LN Rdwy to 4-LN Divided Highway (MPO-05) (CSJ 0326-01-056) \$65.0 million CAT 2/CAT 7

Discussion:

Ms. Sales-Evans noted that the SH 286 project, as listed in the memo, needs to be revised for future memos and remove 'Phase 1' from the description to be consistent with what is listed in the MTP and the TIP.

Motion:

Ms. Sales-Evans made a motion to recommend the TPC to release the DRAFT 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) with Amendment 1 for the one-month public comment period at the July 11, 2024 Regular Meeting. Mr. Pimentel seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

B. DRAFT FY 2025-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Casper presented the item.

The DRAFT FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is provided as Attachment 1. The Corpus Christi MPO staff recommends the TAC recommend the Transportation Policy Committee approve this TIP. A table summarizing the funded projects was presented, color-coded by year. Attachment 3 is the detailed DRAFT FY 2025-2028 TIP project list. The MPO staff and TxDOT-CRP District Staff met on June 24 to confirm the details of project descriptions and funding for the TIP document. All updates are incorporated into the revised TIP. To date, one public comment has been

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received. It is provided as Attachment 4. The Corpus Christi MPO staff response to the sole public comment is provided as Attachment 5.

Discussion:

Mr. Pollack asked about future consideration of new data

Mr. Casper pointed out that during the development of the EJ Title VI document, which happened before President Bidens Executive Orders, the MPO had created its methodology for identifying disadvantaged populations. However, with the availability of several Federal data sources and tools, the MPO will also use these sources as they develop the MTP.

Ms. Sales-Evans advises caution in stating that the MTP hasn't been updated. She suggested it should be noted that the incorporation of new robust documents and information as the MPO works towards developing the updated 2050 MTP.

Mr. MacDonald restated that the MPO acknowledges inconsistencies in the TIP that will be reconciled in the MTP Amendment 1. He assured the TAC that they are working with the district to ensure accurate numbers before Federal Highways reviews the new TIP. Mr. MacDonald stated that staff proposed addressing the inconsistencies in the MTP amendment rather than changing the FY 25-28 TIP, to avoid any discrepancies identified by Federal Highways.

Motion:

Mr. McGinn made a motion to recommend the TPC to approve the DRAFT FY 2025 -2028 TIP. Mr. Pollack seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

4. TPC MEMBER STATEMENTS ON LOCAL AGENCY ACTIVITIES OR ITEMS OF INTEREST

Ms. Sales Evans reminded TAC members of the upcoming July 2, 2024, public meeting for TxDOT's Unified Transportation Plan (UTP).

Mr. Casper notified TAC members that the Corpus Christi MPO recently had a meeting with TxDOT Transportation Planning and Programming Division (TPP) regarding potential changes to the MPO boundary.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.