

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

August 20, 2026

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

Mr. DeLatte called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

TAC Members Present:

Mr. Brian DeLatte, P.E. City of Portland, Chairperson
Mr. Jeff Pollack, AICP. Port of Corpus Christi, Vice Chairperson
Mr. Juan Pimentel, P.E. Nueces County
Mr. Tom Yardley, San Patricio County Commissioner
Mr. Aaron Boyes, City of Gregory
Ms. Paula Sales-Evans, P.E. Texas Department of Transportation-Corpus Christi District
Ms. Mary Afuso, Coastal Bend Council of Governments

MPO Staff Present:

Rob MacDonald, P.E., Keren Costanzo, AICP., Jafet Flores, Harry Horak, Victor Mendieta, and Carissa Tamez

2. NON-AGENDA ITEMS PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were made or offered.

3. APPROVAL OF THE TPC June 18, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Pollack made a motion to approve the TAC **June 18, 2026** Regular Meeting minutes.
Mr. Boyes seconded; the motion passed with one abstention.

Mr. Yardley abstained from June 18, 2026, minutes.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

A. **DRAFT 2050 MTP Chapter 5 and Appendix R**

Mr. MacDonald presented this item.

The Corpus Christi MPO staff continues development of the Chapters and Appendices of the DRAFT 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2050 MTP). Attachment 1: **Chapter 5 – Existing Transportation System Conditions** and Attachment 2: updated **Appendix R – CCRTA Agency Safety Plan** are provided for review by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), our partner agencies, and the public. As the development of the 2050 MTP continues, there will be ongoing opportunity to update all chapters and appendices until the entire MTP is approved in April 2027.

Discussion:

TAC Members raised a number of issues for Chapter 5 of the 2050 MTP such as:

- *Inclusion of Year of Crash Data and analysis*
- *Provide updated Crash Data*
- *Inclusion of LET projects under current conditions specifically mentioned a number of bridges programed for future improvements.*
- *Travel time doesn't address the seasonal travel times.*
- *Crash Rate of comparable facilities.*
- *Consider narrative acknowledging Data deficiencies as well as a qualitative statement for prioritization process.*

MPO staff responded that they would address each of the concerns in the next DRAFT of chapter 5. MPO staff proposed a workshop to work through the details. TAC members recommended not having a workshop. MPO staff will work with TxDOT staff to work through the details for chapter 5 concerns.

Motion:

Mr. Yardley made a motion to table the item.

Mr. Pollack seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

B. DRAFT FY 2027-2030 TIP with Amendment 1 and DRAFT 2045 MTP Update with Amendment 3

Christina Perez from the CCRTA presented this item.

The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) has requested Amendments to the Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization's (Corpus Christi MPO) for review by the TAC, TPC, and the public.

A revised MEMO was provided by the CCRTA by the TAC members.

Discussion:

None.

Motion:

Mr. Yardley made a motion to Move to recommend the incorporating the updates in the revised CCRTA MEMO presented to TAC; and recommending the TPC release the DRAFT 2027-2030 TIP with Amendment 1 and DRAFT 2045 MTP Update with Amendment 3, for a one-month public comment period as presented.

Mr. Pimentel seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

C. Small Area Forecast Task Force Population and Employment Allocation for the 2050 MTP

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Small Area Forecast (SAF) Task Force developed population and employment allocations for the year 2050. These estimates are vital components of transportation planning and a critical initial step in developing the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Forecasts of the amounts and locations of population and employment changes for the time frame of the plan (years 2025-2050) are used to identify locations, types, and severity of transportation needs.

The Small Area Forecast task force met three times during the summer and unanimously recommended using the high growth population control total after reviewing new residential construction between 2021-2025. That data comes from the 3 county appraisal districts and is included as a spreadsheet in attachment 1. The high growth employment scenario was also recommended by the task force since the employment projections are proportionate to the population projections.

The allocation of population is based on the new residential construction. In the Nueces County the City of Corpus Christi was able to provide demolition permit data that allowed the task force to reallocate population from Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs) that lost housing to areas of growth.

Discussion:

TAC members asked if the high growth was justifiable.

- MPO Staff confirmed that state demographer offer the high, medium and low at the discretion of the MPO and the new residential construction data supports the high growth scenario.

Motion:

Mr. Pollack made a motion to Recommend to the TPC approve:

1. The high growth scenario control totals for population and employment based on the Texas State Demographic Center, and
2. the population and employment forecasts for 2050 in Nueces, San Patricio and Aransas Counties' TAZs as recommended by the Small Area Forecast Task Force.

Mr. Yardley seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Corpus Christi MPO Regional Coordination Group for Federal Transportation Grants

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The Corpus Christi MPO staff presents grant-related information on an ongoing basis to serve as a focus area for the Regional Coordination Group, which is the monthly Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting. Staff also provides monthly updates to the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC).

Discussion:

TAC and MPO staff agreed to exclude Grant summary fact sheets from the future agenda packets.

B. Presentation: Launching a Climate Resiliency Assessment for the Coastal Bend Region

Pranavesh Panakkal presented this item from the Water Institute.

Discussion:

TAC members had comments and questions for the presenter.

6. TAC MEMBER STATEMENTS ON LOCAL AGENCY ACTIVITIES OR ITEMS OF INTEREST

- City of Portland is initiating a new pavement condition assessment.
- The Port of Corpus Christi announced a MOU with USDOT regarding advance nuclear power for Port activities. The Port is also working on connectivity issues with TxDOT Maritime Division, USDOT, and local partners.
- USDOT Secretary Duffy held a round table for local stakeholders.
- TxDOT indicated that a future MTP amendment may be necessary for SH361.

7. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

A. STBG-SA Call for Projects Workshop #2	In-person and Virtual	August 20, 2026
B. Transportation Policy Committee	Regular Meeting	September 3, 2026
C. 2050 MTP Public Meeting	CCRTA Board Room 2nd FL	September 9, 2026
D. Technical Advisory Committee	Regular Meeting	September 17, 2026
E. 2050 MTP Public Meeting	Neyland Public Library	September 23, 2026

8. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.