

**CORPUS CHRISTI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE (TPC) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 6, 2022

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Quorum Determination

TPC Chair Judge Krebs called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Judge Krebs and the TPC members welcomed a new member, Mr. Dan Leyendecker, the Board Chairman of the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA).

TPC Members Present:

Judge David Krebs, San Patricio County
Mr. Charlie Zahn, Jr. Port of Corpus Christi Authority
Mayor Cathy Skurow, City of Portland
Mayor Paulette M. Guajardo, City of Corpus Christi
Judge Barbara Canales, Nueces County
Mr. Dan Leyendecker, Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority
Mr. Valente Olivarez, Jr., P.E., TxDOT Corpus Christi District
Ms. Mary Esther-Guerra, Nueces County Assistant Attorney

MPO Staff Present: Rob MacDonald, P.E.; Craig Casper, AICP; Daniel Carrizales; Victor Mendieta; and Yoshiko Boulan

2. Election of Officers for the Transportation Policy Committee

In accordance with the Corpus Christi MPO Bylaws, the Transportation Policy Committee shall elect a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson from among its voting members during the first meeting of each calendar year.

Mr. Zahn made a motion to re-elect Judge Krebs for Chairperson, Mayor Skurow seconded. Judge Krebs made a motion to re-elect Mr. Zahn for Vice Chairperson, Mayor Skurow seconded. Both motions passed unanimously; Judge Krebs is re-elected for the TPC Chairperson and Mr. Zahn is re-elected for the TPC Vice Chairperson for calendar year 2022.

3. Public Comments for items not on the Agenda

Dr. Guy Watts commented on the rapid development of the City's southside and the necessity to accommodate the growing traffic volume, specifically the extension of Rodd Field Road to the Nueces County boundary.

4. Approval of the December 2, 2021, Transportation Policy Committee meeting minutes

Mr. Zahn made a motion to approve the December 2, 2021, TPC Meeting Minutes. Judge Canales seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. DRAFT Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA) Category 9 Funding Project Call-for-Projects

Mr. MacDonald presented results of the Public Survey on the Investment of Transportation Funds to the TPC, and both the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Corpus Christi MPO staff's recommended weighting. The Corpus Christi MPO successfully collected over sixty responses from the public before the December TAC meeting and discussed it with the TAC. The TAC made their recommended weights reflecting the public's input along with their professional judgement. The Corpus Christi MPO received more public input after the TAC meeting, in total 102, by December 27, 2021, and based on the TPC, TAC, and the public survey results, the Corpus Christi MPO made its own recommendations for the weighting of the eight 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) regional

goals. The recommended weights from the public survey results (pre-TAC and pre-TPC), the TAC, and the Corpus Christi MPO staff are shown in the Item 5A memo.

Mr. MacDonald requested the TPC's direction to move the STBG-SA Call-for-Projects forward: TPC can select (1) the Corpus Christi MPO recommended weights, (2) the TAC recommended weights, (3) the public input, or (4) the TPC's own recommended weights.

Mayor Skurow commended the successful public involvement and the process to determine the weight on the eight regional goals, and the application/scoring procedures for the Category 9 Call-for-Projects.

Mr. Olivarez asked whether the 100 public responses came solely from the MPO website or if it came from other outreach sources, such as the county or the city. Mr. MacDonald answered that all of the responses came from the Corpus Christi MPO website.

Mayor Guajardo made a motion to approve the DRAFT Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA) Category 9 Funding Project Call-for-Projects, the Program Guidance and Procedures, the Application Form, and the Corpus Christi MPO recommended weighting of the regional goals. Mayor Skurow seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

B. 2022 Adoption of Safety (PM1) Performance Measures and Targets

The Corpus Christi MPO is required to establish five Performance Measures and Targets: Safety (PM1), Pavement and Bridge Condition (PM2), System Performance and Freight Movement (PM3), Transit Asset Management (TAM), and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP).

The Safety (PM1) Performance Measures and Targets are adopted annually. The Corpus Christi MPO can establish its own Performance Measures and Targets or support and adopt the TxDOT's Performance Measures and Targets; the Corpus Christi MPO has historically been adopting and supporting the TxDOT Performance Measures and Targets.

Mr. Casper provided the TxDOT's 2022 Safety Performance Measures and Targets and the Corpus Christi MPO's 2022 Safety Performance Measures and Targets in the Item 5B memo. The Corpus Christi MPO's 2022 Safety Performance Measures and Targets are based on the TxDOT's 2022 Safety Performance Measures and Targets and interpreted the numbers relevant to the Corpus Christi MPO region.

Safety is one of the crucial considerations in transportation planning and operation for the State of Texas and the Corpus Christi MPO. The State of Texas has been working on roadway safety and has budgeted a considerable amount for safety programs, however the fatality rate is increasing and currently occurring at a rate of eleven deaths on the Texas roadway per day. Locally, twelve fatal crashes have occurred on the portion of South Padre Island Drive (SPID) from Rodd Field Road to Old Brownsville Road. TxDOT created the Statewide Safety Task Force, and the Corpus Christi MPO is now working on the creation of the Regional Traffic Safety Task Force that was approved by the TPC in the December TPC meeting.

Judge Canales inquired if the lighting could be one of the causes that contributed to the fatality. Mr. Casper answered that is considered as one of the identified causes.

Mayor Skurow inquired if the causes of these fatal crashes could be analyzed. Mr. Casper informed the TPC that the Corpus Christi MPO has hired a consultant to develop a crash analysis system and the work is expected to be completed in March 2022.

Mr. Zahn made a motion to approve the adoption of 2022 Safety (PM1) Performance Measures and Targets. Mayor Guajardo seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

C. Acceptance of the Current Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)

As Mr. Casper explained in Item 5B, the Corpus Christi MPO is required to establish five Performance Measures and Targets: Safety (PM1), Pavement and Bridge Condition (PM2), System Performance and

Freight Movement (PM3), Transit Asset Management (TAM), and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP).

Transit Asset Management (TAM) and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP), like other documents, are required to be collaboratively developed by the CCRTA, TxDOT, and the Corpus Christi MPO based on the 23 CRF § 450.314, Metropolitan Planning Agreement.

The presented 2020 CCRTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan Version 1 was developed by the CCRTA and TxDOT in 2020 and the Corpus Christi MPO did not participate in the process; however, the Corpus Christi MPO staff recommends the TPC accept the 2020 CCRTA PTASP as an official Performance Measures and Targets document developed by the CCRTA and TxDOT. The Corpus Christi MPO is expecting to participate in the next CCRTA PTASP development process.

Mr. Leyenbecker made a motion to accept the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan Version 1. Mr. Zahn seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION AND COMMENTS

A. TxDOT 2023 Unified Transportation Program (UTP) MPO Project Selection Process

As discussed in the December TPC meeting, the Corpus Christi MPO is required to select Category 2 projects for the TxDOT's 2023 UTP. Due to the tight deadline for submission, the Corpus Christi MPO staff recommends revisiting the currently adopted 2045 MTP project list to nominate the Category 2 projects. The attached DRAFT Corpus Christi MPO Project Application Form is for collecting the most current project information for this process. The detail will be discussed in the next couple of TAC meetings and workshops, and the recommendation will be brought to the TPC.

B. FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Development Process

As discussed in the December TPC meeting, the Corpus Christi MPO is also required to develop FY 2023-2026 TIP. Due to the tight schedule, the Corpus Christi MPO staff recommends revisiting the 2045 MTP project list for FY 2023-2026 TIP as well, since the projects were prioritized by the TAC and TPC with the required public involvement process two years ago. There might be possible new projects considered by the regional partner entities, but the fact that the time for environmental clearance, feasibility studies, design, Right-of-Way acquisition, and other requirements make it almost impossible to get these new projects in FY 2023-2026 TIP but considered for the 2050 MTP. FY 2023-2026 TIP development will be also discussed in the next couple of TAC meetings and workshops, and the recommendation will be brought to the TPC.

C. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Partner Agency Planning Study Coordination and Update

Mr. Casper explained that the Corpus Christi MPO is developing the FY 2023-2024 UPWP and needs any information that the local partner entities have for transportation-related planning activities and efforts occurring in FY 2023 and FY 2024, from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2024. This information needs to be included in the FY 2023- FY 2024 UPWP.

7. Member Agency Statements for Items of Community Interest: Upcoming events or holidays and acknowledgement.

None was made or offered.

8. Upcoming Meetings:

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| A. Technical Advisory Committee Regular Meeting & STBG-SA Workshop #1: | January 20, 2022 |
| B. Transportation Policy Committee Regular Meeting: | February 3, 2022 |

9. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.