

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

July 9, 2026

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

Judge Scott called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

TPC Members Present:

Judge Connie Scott, Nueces County – Chairperson
Mayor Paulette Guajardo, City of Corpus Christi – Vice Chairperson
Judge David Krebs, San Patricio County
Mayor Estella Boyes, City of Gregory (seated at 2:06 pm)
Gabe Guerra, Port of Corpus Christi
Mike Walsh, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation-Corpus Christi District
Art Granado, Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority
Emily Martinez, Coastal Bend Council of Governments

MPO Attorney:

Ms. Mary Esther Guerra, Nueces County Assistant County Attorney

MPO Staff Present:

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were made or offered.

3. APPROVAL OF THE TPC June 4, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Walsh made a motion to approve the TPC **June 4, 2026** Regular Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Guerra seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

A. STBG-SA/TA Call-for-Projects

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA) program corresponds to the TxDOT Category 9 funding program. This funding allows all projects and activities that were previously eligible under the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program, encompassing a variety of smaller-scale transportation projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, recreational trails, safe routes to school projects, community improvements such as historic preservation and vegetation management, and environmental mitigation related to stormwater and habitat maintenance.

The Corpus Christi MPO prepared a Call-For-Projects for Category 9 funds targeting the construction of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects.

Discussion:

Judge Scott noted that there is a minimum project request of \$1 million in funding and asked for clarification regarding the maximum project funding request.

Ms. Costanzo confirmed that the maximum request amount is capped at the maximum funding available of \$6.6 million.

Motion:

Judge Scott made a motion to approve the DRAFT 2026 Program Guidance and Procedures: Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA)/ Transportation Alternatives (TA) (Category 9) funding Call for Projects document, Preliminary Application, Full Application, and issue the Call for Projects.

Mayor Guajardo seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

Mr. MacDonald introduced this item, highlighting the ATTAIN grant Notice of Funding opportunity, which was released after the item was presented to TAC in July.

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:

Mr. Guerra announced the two Federal Grants that the Port recently received.

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

Mr. Walsh gave updates on TxDOT Projects:

- Lane and ramp closures are expected from the portion of the old Harbor Bridge interchange to downtown, with an estimated timeframe of 6 months for completion.
- Ramp reversal project on SPID is proceeding well; however, frontage roads in that area will have lane reductions.
- The Crosstown Extension project continues to make progress with the bridges and overpasses improvements for CR 72 and CR 74 to accommodate growth in the London area.
- Roadwork began on FM 624 in the Five Points Area, which will include extending drainage structures and adding lanes and hike & bike trails in each direction.

7. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Judge Scott announced that the Committee will go into Executive Session under Chapter 551 of Texas Government Code to discuss the performance review of the Corpus Christi MPO Transportation Planning Director and will return to open session.

- The TPC recessed into Executive Session at 2:21 p.m.
- The TPC reconvened at 4:27p.m.

8. POSSIBLE ACTIONS REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIRECTOR

No action was taken.

9. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

A. Small Area Forecast (SAF) Task Force	Regular Meeting	July 9, 2026
B. Transportation Policy Committee:	Regular Meeting	August 6, 2026
C. Technical Advisory Committee:	Regular Meeting	August 20, 2026

10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.