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

October 1, 2026

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

Judge Scott called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

TPC Members Present:

Judge Connie Scott, Nueces County – Chairperson
Mayor John Green, City of Portland
Mayor Estella Boyes, City of Gregory
Mr. Gabe Guerra, Port of Corpus Christi—Arrived at 2:06 p.m.
Mr. Mike Walsh, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation-Corpus Christi District
Mr. Art Granado, Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority
Ms. Emily Martinez, Coastal Bend Council of Governments
Mr. Chad Magill, District 27 Liaison
Senator Adam Hinojosa, District 27

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 September 3, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Walsh made a motion to approve the TPC September 3, 2026, Regular Meeting minutes, with the addition of an action to incorporate the signed Joint Coastal Bend Legislative Delegation letter supporting the state-led acceleration of SH 361 safety improvements and widening.

Mr. Green seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

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

Mr. Flores presented this item.

The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) has requested amendments to the indicated Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization (Corpus Christi MPO) planning documents for review by the TAC, TPC, and the public.

The amendment includes 25 additional CCRTA projects, all transferred to the FY 2027-2030 TIP from the FY 2025-2028 TIP with Amendment 3, totaling $48,411,197. The Fiscally Constrained Transit Project List (Table 11) and Transit Financial Summary (Table 15) from the DRAFT 2027-2030 TIP with Amendment 1 is provided as Attachment 2 and the revised Transit Projects list from Table 7-2 of the DRAFT 2045 MTP Update with Amendment 3 is provided as Attachment 3. All three amended tables reflect the requested updates from CCRTA.

Attachment 3 also includes recently requested amendments to the Highway projects in Table 7-2 of the DRAFT 2045 MTP Update with Amendment 3, reflecting public comments received during the September 3, 2026, regular meeting of the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) regarding safety project needs along State Highway (SH) 361 on the Island. This new project is identified as project ***MPO-082****: SH 361 Mustang Island Project - Construct additional 2 travel lanes to convert existing 2-lane*

roadway to 4-lane divided roadway from Mariners Drive to Park Road (PR) 22. The construction cost estimate is **$175,000,000**.

To maintain a fiscally constrained project list, as Federally required, the SH 286 Braid Ramp Project (MPO-036) has been moved from the Fiscally Constrained project list to Table 7-3 of additional unfunded needs, as shown in Attachment 3. These drafted amendments have been made in coordination and consultation with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Corpus Christi District.

Discussion:
None.

Motion:

Judge Scott made a motion to approve the DRAFT FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program with Amendment 1 and 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update with Amendment 3.

Mr. Walsh seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

B. DRAFT 2050 MTP Chapter 4, Chapter 5, and Appendix R.

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The Corpus Christi Metropolitan Planning Organization (Corpus Christi MPO) staff continues development of the Chapters and Appendices of the DRAFT 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). Attachment 1: ***Chapter 4 – Regional Population and Employment Trends***; Attachment 2: ***Chapter 5 – Existing Transportation System Conditions*** and Attachment 3: updated ***Appendix R – CCRTA Agency Safety Plan*** are provided for review by the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC), 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:
None.

Motion:

Mr. Guerra made a motion to approve ***Chapter 4 – Regional Population and Employment Trends***, ***Chapter 5 – Existing Transportation System Conditions***, and ***Appendix R – CCRTA Agency Safety Plan*** for use in the DRAFT2050 MTP development and public outreach processes.

Mr. Walsh seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Update on STBG-SA Call for Projects Applications

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The Corpus Christi MPO released a Call-For-Projects for STBG-SA funds on July 9, 2026, targeting the construction of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects. Five (5) project application submissions were received. Construction costs for the five projects total to $7 million, consisting of $5.6 million in federal STBG-SA funds and $1.4 million in local matching funds.

The Corpus Christi MPO's STBG-SA/CAT 9 allocation is approximately $6,600,000 in federal funds for fiscal years 2027 through 2030, including carryover funds from prior fiscal years. Final approval of awards is scheduled to occur during the regular Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) meeting on November 5th, 2026.

Discussion:
None.

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

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). Handouts for two Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) were distributed to the TPC. These two programs were published on grants.gov after the TPC agenda packet was published – FY 2026 Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program and the FY 2027 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) FAA Contract Tower (FCT) Competitive Grant Program.

Discussion:
None.

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

Mr. Walsh announced that the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) US 181 Harbor Bridge Project has been selected as one of the Top 12 finalists for the 2026 America's Transportation Awards. He stated that this recognition places the South Texas project on the national stage. Mr. Walsh encouraged the community to support the project by participating in the public voting for the People's Choice Award. He noted that the public may vote once per day.

7. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

A.	**205O MTP Public Meeting**	**Portland Community Center**	**October 7, 2026**
B.	**Technical Advisory Committee**	**Regular Meeting**	**October 15, 2026**
C.	**2050 MTP Public Meeting**	**CCPD Academy (Yorktown Blvd.)**	**October 21, 2026**
D.	**Transportation Policy Committee**	**Regular Meeting**	**November 5, 2026**

8. ADJOURN

Judge Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Walsh seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.