MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD FOR THE EL PASO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (EPMPO)

Friday December 13, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.

Blue Flame Building 304 Texas Avenue El Paso, TX 79901 17th Floor (Center for Community Empowerment)

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

Public Participation and Public Comment

Members of the public may attend the meeting in person, or view the meeting via livestream: https://www.elpasompo.org/TPBVideos

Public comment is allowed subject to the following restrictions:

- Speakers are allowed up to three (3) minutes each, but may be limited further at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.
- Members of the public wishing to provide comment must sign up no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting by emailing menriquez@elpasompo.org or by calling (915) 212-0258.
- Members of the public may also submit their public comment electronically to menriquez@elpasompo.org and
 the comment will be read during the open comment period or before the appropriate agenda item, as requested
 in the email. Emails must be received no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

Atención. Si desea recibir asistencia gratuita para traducir esta información, llame al 915-212-0258.

• Notice is hereby given that the EPMPO TPB will participate in a Training Workshop on "The Intersection of Human Trafficking with Transportation" from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The EPMPO TPB will take no formal action during the Training Workshop.

Presenter: John Habermann, P.E. (TTI)

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL
- OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

(The agenda and backup materials for the meeting packet are posted and available on the MPO website: https://www.elpasompo.org/TPBMinutesandAgendas)

DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

- 1. Consider approval of the minutes of the November 15, 2024 TPB meeting.

 Presenter: TPB Chair
- Consider approval of amendments to the Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and RMS 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) to Program the Bus Purchase Project (FY24 5307) using \$7,400,000 of FTA 5307 Program funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025* Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)
- 3. Consider approval of amendments to the RMS 2050 MTP, Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and RMS 2025-2028 TIP to program projects using FY 2026-2028 Texas Transportation Alternatives Set-aside (TASA) Program funding, as recommended by the TASA project call Ad Hoc Committee:
 - a. Program the SunCycle Bike Share Fleet Enhancement (FY26, FY27, & FY28) project with \$124,887 in Fiscal Years 2026, 2027, 2028*

- b. Program the Brown Street Shared Use Path project with \$4,090,584 in FY 2027*
- c. Program the Socorro Safe Routes to Schools project with \$3,696,945 in FY 2028*
- d. Program the Shadow Mountain Dr Shared Use Path project with \$1,061,166 in FY 2028*

Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)

4. Consider approval of an amendment to the RMS 2050 MTP, Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and RMS 2025-2028 TIP to amend the Project Description for the programmed project "Downtown Bicycle Improvements Phase I (CSJ: 0924-06-570 / MPO ID: M089A) to include the number of traffic lanes*

Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)

5. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #5 with the El Paso MPO General Planning Consultant for the development of the International Border Crossing (IBC) Strategic Plan, for an amount not to exceed \$1,514,581.73

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

6. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Partnership Agreement for the Use of the Center for Civic Empowerment on the 17th floor of the Blue Flame Building in order to hold MPO Transportation Policy Board meetings in the space in 2025, subject to final review and approval of the MPO Attorney Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

- 7. Quarterly Reports
 - a. MPO Administrative Amendments Report
 - b. Project Completion Report
 - c. Project Readiness Report
 - d. RMS 2020 Projects Report

Presenter: Anne Guayante and Nina Rodriguez (MPO)

- 8. Executive Director's Report
 - a. Texas MPOs (TEMPO) quarterly meeting (December 12-13)

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (EPMPO Executive Director)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the TPB may retire into Executive Session to discuss any of the following:

Section 551.071	Consultation with Attorney
Section 551.072	Deliberation Regarding Real Property
Section 551.073	Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts
Section 551 074	Personnel Matters

Deliberation Regarding Security Devices Section 551.076

Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations Section 551.087

The items listed above are matters of the sort routinely discussed in Executive Session, but the TPB may move to Executive Session on any of the items on this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act. The TPB will return to open session to take any final action and may also bring forward any of the following items for public discussion at any time during the meeting, as appropriate.

9. Adjournment

The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for <u>9:30 a.m.</u> on <u>January 24, 2025.</u> The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is <u>January</u> 8, 2025, by 3:00 p.m.

*These projects met the seven-day public comment requirement of the El Paso MPO's Public Participation Plan

Sign Language and/or foreign language interpreters can be made available for the meeting upon requests made a minimum of 48 hours prior to meeting start time. Copies of the Agenda will be provided in Braille, large print, other languages, or audio recording upon request made a minimum of 48 hours prior to meeting start time. Provision of foreign language interpreters and/or copies of the agenda in foreign languages shall be dependent upon availability of qualified interpretation services.

Lenguaje de señas, intérpretes al español (a condición de que uno esté disponible) y copias de la agenda se proveerán en Braille, copias ampliadas, otros idiomas, o grabación de audio con petición de un mínimo de 48 horas antes de la fecha y de la hora de la reunión.

Posted this <u>6th day of December 2024</u> at the El Paso County Courthouse, First Floor, 500 San Antonio Street, El Paso, Texas; and digitally on the website of the New Mexico Department of Transportation-District 1 and the El Paso MPO.

Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the

Transportation Policy Board