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

Friday April 25, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

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

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

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- 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 March 21, 2025 TPB meeting.

 Presenter: TPB Chair
- 2. Consider approval of amendments to the Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and the RMS 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the following Texas Highway Projects:
 - a. To program the *Downtown 10 Executive Center to SL 478 Copia PE & ROW* project (CSJ: 2121-02-166 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP) into the RMS 2025-2028 TIP using \$88,000,000 of Statewide PE (SWPE) funds and \$95,000,000 of Statewide ROW (SWROW) funds for a total funded amount of \$183,000,000 in fiscal year (FY) 2025; and to amend the project in the RMS 2050 MTP and the Amended RMS 2050 MTP to change the fiscal year from 2029 to 2025, the project title, MPO ID, and project description.
 - b. To program the *Downtown 10*, *Phase 1 from SS 1966 to 0.5MI East of Campbell St.* project (CSJ: 2121-02-186 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP-1) using \$166,585,062 of Category 2 Metropolitan Area (TMA) Corridor Project funds, \$76,685,870 of Category 4 of Statewide Urban Connectivity Corridor Project funds, \$3,900,000 of Category 7 STP MM funds, \$2,829,068 of Category 11 District Discretionary funds, and \$250,000,000 of Category 12 Strategic Priority funds for a total funded amount of \$500,000,000 in FY 2028.
 - c. To amend Appendix D of the RMS 2025-2028 TIP to remove the Downtown 10 Executive Center to SL478 Copia project (CSJ: 2121-02-166), and to add the Downtown 10, Phase 2 Executive Center

Blvd. to SS 1966 project (CSJ: 2121-02-184 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP-2) and Downtown 10, Phase 3 0.5MI East of Campbell St. to SL 478 (Copia St.) project (CSJ: 2121-02-185 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP-3).

Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)

- 3. <u>Consider approval of amendments to the Regional Mobility Strategy 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)</u> and the Amended RMS 2050 MTP for the following Texas Highway Projects:
 - a. Program the Downtown 10, Phase 2 Executive Center Blvd. to SS 1966 project (CSJ: 2121-02-184 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP-2) using \$296,500,000 of Discretionary funds in FY 2029
 - b. Program the *Downtown 10, Phase 3 0.5Ml East of Campbell St. to SL 478 (Copia St.)* project (CSJ: 2121-02-185 / MPO ID: I063X-CAP-3) using \$447,400,000 of Discretionary funds in FY 2029

Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)

4. Consider approval of an amendment to the Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), Amended RMS 2050 MTP, and the RMS 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) to deprogram Calle Morroco Sidewalk Improvements Construction project (CN: E100460 / MPO ID: E608X) using \$103,249 of NM TAP-L funds in FY 2025.

Presenter: Andres Lucero (MPO)

5. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #6 with the El Paso MPO General Planning Consultant for the development of a new GIS system and associated activities for an amount not to exceed \$286,706.00.

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

6. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a letter of support for Texas A&M Transportation Institute's FY 2026 Community Project Funding request for the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Detection and Mitigation for Border Security and Trade Efficiency project.

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

7. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a letter of support for the City of San Elizario's FY 2026 Community Project Funding request for the San Elizario Community Multi-purpose Center project.

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (MPO Executive Director)

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

8. TxDOT 2025 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Call for Projects Update

Presenter: Jose Bocanegra (TxDOT)

- 9. Executive Director's Report
 - a. Borderplex Safe Mobility Plan Update
 - b. RMS 2052 MTP Scenario Planning Workshops
 - c. Texas Transportation Commission meetings, March 27, 2025 and April 27, 2025
 - d. TxDOT FY26 UTP Development
 - e. Status of RMS 2050 MTP Regional Transportation Conformity review

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 55 LU/ L	Constillation with Attorney

Section 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property
Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts

Section 551.074 Personnel Matters

Section 551.076 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices

Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

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.

10. Adjournment

The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for <u>9:00 a.m.</u> on <u>May 23, 2025.</u> The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is <u>May 7, 2025, by 3:00 p.m.</u>

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

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Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the

Transportation Policy Board