RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2024 - 05

By the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Board

WHEREAS, the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization is the duly designated Metropolitan Planning Organization ("EPMPO") for the El Paso Urbanized Transportation Study Area; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Board ("TPB") is the policy-making body responsible for establishing regional transportation planning policies for the El Paso Urbanized Transportation Study Area; and

WHEREAS, THE TPB Chairperson shall be the chief administrative officer of the TPB and will preside over each meeting of the TPB, and have execution authority on all MPO policy documents after TPB action; and

WHEREAS, a regular meeting of the TPB was held on May 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., at the Blue Flame Building, 304 Texas Avenue, El Paso, TX 79901, 17th Floor (Center for Community Engagement); and

WHEREAS, a Notice of Meeting and Agenda of the EPMPO TPB for the May 24, 2024 meeting was duly and properly posted pursuant to the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the TPB was present and constituted a quorum; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the TPB quorum present at the meeting on May 24, 2024, considered, discussed, and voted in favor of approving and passing Agenda Items No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, EX Item No.1, and EX Item No.2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TPB THAT: The following action items are consistent with the EPMPO's regional transportation planning policies for the El Paso Urbanized Transportation Study Area and are passed and approved by the TPB and become effective May 24, 2024:

- 1. Approved the minutes of the April 19, 2024 TPB meeting.
- 2. Authorized the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the County of El Paso application for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Community Project Funding program for the Fabens Airport ROW Acquisition project.
- 3. Authorized the Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso application for the FY 2024 Federal Railroad Administration Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Improvements (CRISI) Grant for the *Zaragoza Rail Grade Separation* project.

- 4. Authorizing Executive Director to sign a Letter of Support for the City of El Paso application for the FY 2023 Federal Highway Administration Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) Grant for the Stanton-Texas Active Transportation Project Development Study project
- 5. Approved amendments to the Transportation Policy Board Bylaws to add South Central Regional Transit District to the Transportation Project Advisory Committee as a voting member entity, and to make text amendments to Article III TPB Membership, to clarify rules on the composition of the Board.
- 6. Authorized the Executive Director to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between EPMPO, New Mexico Department of Transportation, and SCRTD to make provision for cooperative transportation and transit activities in the metropolitan planning area.
- 7. Approved of amendments to the RMS 2050 MTP, and RMS 2023-2026 TIP to program transit projects from South Central Regional Transit District:
 - a. Program the *Preventative Maintenance (FY24 5307)* project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
 - b. Program the *Pavement Resurfacing (FY24 5307)* project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
 - c. Program the JARC (FY24 5307) project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
 - d. Program the Operating Assistance (FY24 5307) project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
 - e. Program the *Maintenance Facility Equipment (FY24 5307)* project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
 - f. Program the Security Fencing (FY24 5307) project using FTA 5307 funds in FY 2024*
- 8. Authorized the Executive Director to execute Task Order #3 with the El Paso MPO General Planning Consultant for development of a Regional Safety Action Plan for an amount not to exceed \$729,888.56
- 9. Approve the second amendment to the EPMPO FY 2024-2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to add reference to the San Elizario Transportation Needs Assessment project, and to add TCEQ Rider 7 funding to funding summary tables and subtask descriptions, as applicable.
- 10. Approved Consideration of documents associated with the Rider 7 Local Air Quality Statement of Work under Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Contract (Grant) #582-20-11979:
 - a. Consider approval of Task Order #2 between EPMPO and TTI for the purchase of cameras for vehicle counting in Ciudad Juarez and monitoring through machine learning technology
 - b. Consider approval of Task Order #3 between EPMPO and TTI for improving regional emission estimation tools

EX. Item No. 1 Approved Executive Director's Annual Performance Assessment for Year 2023, as submitted by the Executive Director.

EX. Item No. 2 Approved renewing the Executive Director Employment Agreement for a 1(one) year period. Approved motion to increase Executive Director base salary by 3%.

APPROVED AND ENTERED THIS 17th DAY OF MAY 2024.

Cesar Blanco

Transportation Policy Board Vice-Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sergio M. Estrada, General Counsel El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Eduardo Calvo, Executive Director El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization