

**MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FOR THE  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
APPROVED MINUTES  
May 01, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Joaquin Rodriguez, Chair of the Transportation Project Advisory Committee, at 1:33 p.m., at City 3 Building, 811 Texas Avenue, El Paso, TX 79901, Trost Conference Room (Basement) also conducted telephonically and by video conference. Members in attendance were:

| TPAC Voting Members Present: |                      |                      | TPAC Voting Members Absent: |   |
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| 1.                           | Harold Love          | NMDOT                | Anthony Turner              | Town of Anthony, TX                       |
| 2.                           | Joaquin Rodriguez    | City of El Paso      | Santos Lucero               | Village of Vinton                         |
| 3.                           | Marty Boyd           | TXDOT                | Ivy Avalos                  | City of Socorro                           |
| 4.                           | Eddie Conde          | City of San Elizario | Charlene Santisteban        | Doña Ana County                           |
| 5.                           | Robert Parker        | UTEP                 | Evaristo Cruz               | Ysleta del Sur Del Pueblo                 |
| 6.                           | Gloria Ramirez       | City of Anthony, NM  |                             |   |
| 7.                           | Claudia Garcia       | Sun Metro            |                             |   |
| 8.                           | Michael McElroy      | El Paso County       | <b>MPO STAFF</b>            |   |
| 9.                           | Mario Juarez Infante | City of Sunland Park | Gerardo Fierro              | Associate Regional Transportation Analyst |
| 10.                          | Michelle Garcia      | Horizon City         | Anne Guayante               | Regional Transportation Manager           |
| 11.                          | Ramon Cano           | Town of Clint        | Eduardo Calvo               | Executive Director                        |
| 12.                          |                      |                      | Harrison Plourde            | Assistant Executive Director              |
| 13.                          |                      |                      | Marisol Enriquez            | Administrative Secretary                  |
| 14.                          |                      |                      | Gabriela Lopez              | Transportation Financial Analyst          |
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*(Meeting began with 9 members)*

- Chair Joaquin Rodriguez, opened the public comment period. No Public Comment.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the April 03, 2024, TPAC meeting.

**Presenter: TPAC Chair**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the April 03, 2024, TPAC meeting made by Marty Boyd and seconded by Claudia Garcia. Motion passed unanimously.**

2. Consider amendments to the Transportation Policy Board Bylaws to add a member entity or entities to the Transportation Project Advisory Committee

**Presenter: Harrison Plourde (MPO)**

- Joaquin Rodriguez, Robert Parker, Eduardo Calvo, Marty Boyd, and Gloria Ramirez commented

**Motion to amend the Transportation Policy Board Bylaws to add South Central Regional Transit District as a voting member to the TPAC, and to approach Fort Bliss and Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority to gauge their interest in joining the TPAC as voting members, made by Michelle Garcia and seconded by Robert Parker. Motion passed unanimously**

3. Consider approval 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

**Presenter: Gerardo Fierro (MPO)**

**Motion to approve the 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

**made by Harold Love and seconded by Claudia Eddie Conde. Motion passed unanimously.**

- 4. Consider authorizing the Executive Director to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between EPMPPO, New Mexico Department of Transportation, and SCRTD to make provision for cooperative transportation and transit activities in the metropolitan planning area

**Presenter: Harrison Plourde (MPO)**

- Joaquin Rodriguez, Eduardo Calvo commented

**Motion to authorize the Executive Director to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between EPMPPO, New Mexico Department of Transportation, and SCRTD to make provision for cooperative transportation and transit activities in the metropolitan planning area made by Harold Love and seconded by Claudia Garcia. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:**

- 5. Discussion of the triennial amendment to the EPMPPO Public Participation Plan.

**Presenter: Anne Guayante (MPO)**

- Joaquin Rodriguez, Harrison Plourde, Eduardo Calvo commented

- 6. Update on TXDOT Highway Emergency Response Operator (HERO) Program.

**Presenter: Eduardo Perales & Rodolfo Pino (TxDOT)**

- Eduardo Calvo commented

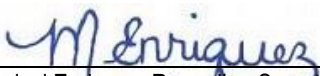
**Quorum of the TPAC was lost at 2:60 p.m.**

- 7. Adjournment.

**Meeting was adjourned at 2:60 p.m.**

The **next regular meeting** of the TPAC is scheduled at **1:30 p.m. on June 5, 2024**, the due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is no later than **May 22, 2024, by 3:00 p.m.**

Approved as to content:

  
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Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the  
Transportation Project Advisory Committee