



**Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Policy Board Meeting**

The Junior League of Austin Community Impact Center
5330 Bluffstone Lane Austin, TX 78759
Monday, April 15, 2024 – 2:00 p.m.
Livestream at: www.campotexas.org

1. Certification of Quorum – Quorum requirement is 12 members.

.....Commissioner Cynthia Long, Chair

The CAMPO Transportation Policy Board was called to order by the Chair at 2:02 p.m.

The roll was taken and a quorum was announced present.

	Member	Representing	Member Attending	Alternate Attending
1	Cynthia Long, Chair	Commissioner, Williamson County	Y	
2	Rudy Metayer, Vice-Chair	City of Pflugerville, Place 4	Y	
3	Clara Beckett, Secretary	Commissioner, Bastrop County	Y	
4	Alison Alter	City of Austin, District 10	Y	
5	Andy Brown	Judge, Travis County	N	Council Member Vanessa Fuentes
6	Christine DeLisle	Mayor City of Leander	Y	
7	Paige Ellis	Mayor Pro Tem, City of Austin, District 8	Y	
8	Tucker Ferguson, P.E.	TxDOT-Austin District	Y	
9	Vanessa Fuentes	City of Austin, District 2	Y	
10	Natasha Harper-Madison	City of Austin, District 1	N	Council Member Paige Ellis
11	Matt Harriss	Capital Metro Board Member	Y	
12	Ann Howard	Commissioner, Travis County	Y	
13	Jane Hughson	Mayor, City of San Marcos	Y	
14	Debbie Ingalsbe	Commissioner, Hays County	Y	

15	Travis Mitchell	Mayor, City of Kyle	Y	
16	Craig Morgan	Mayor, City of Round Rock	N	Council Member Kristin Stevens
17	James Oakley	Judge, Burnet County	Y	
18	Amy Pattillo	Travis County	N	Commissioner Ann Howard
19	Jim Penniman-Morin	City of Cedar Park	Y	
20	Josh Schroeder	Mayor, City of Georgetown	Y	
21	Edward Theriot	Commissioner, Caldwell County	Y	
22	Jeffrey Travillion	Commissioner, Travis County	Y	

2. Public Comments

The Chair recognized the following individuals who offered public comments.

1. Mr. Will Fischer, Rethink 35
2. Mr. Irby Foster, Private Citizen

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3. Executive Session

An Executive Session was not convened.

4. Report from Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chair

The Chair recognized Mr. Chad McKeown, CAMPO Deputy Executive Director who provided a report of the discussion and action items from the February 26, 2024 TAC Meeting in the absence of the TAC Chair. Mr. McKeown reported the election of officers was the first order of business for the TAC. Mr. McKeown informed the Board that the TAC elected Mr. Gary Hudder, City of Round Rock as Chair and Ms. Emily Barron, City of Pflugerville as Vice Chair by unanimous vote. Mr. McKeown thanked the outgoing Chair of three (3) terms, Ms. Laurie Moyer, P.E., City of San Marcos for her service to the TAC.

Mr. McKeown also reported that the TAC unanimously voted to approve a recommendation to adopt the 2024 Performance Measure Targets and received informational presentations on the refunding of deferred projects and introduction to the upcoming 2050 RTP.

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5. Public Hearing and Presentation of Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The Chair opened the Public Hearing at 2:10 p.m. and recognized Mr. Ryan Collins, CAMPO Short-Range Planning Manager as presenter of the draft 2025-2028 TIP and Amendment to the 2045 RTP. Mr. Collins provided a high-level summary of the projects included in the draft 2025-2028 TIP which also included the I-35 Capital Express Project. Mr. Collins briefly discussed the proposed amendment to the 2045 RTP which will add the Texas SMARTTrack Project as requested by TxDOT and by the University of Texas at Austin.

Mr. Collins introduced Ms. Doise Miers, CAMPO Community Outreach Manager who provided a brief overview of the public outreach efforts for the projects listed in the draft 2025-2028 TIP and amendment to the 2045 RTP. Ms. Miers informed the Board the public comment period opened on March 15, 2024 and will close on April 16, 2024. Ms. Miers further informed the Board that one (1) open house was held in each of six (6) counties in the region. Ms. Miers added that the TAC will receive a summary of the public comments received to determine recommendations for Transportation Policy Board approval of the projects listed in the draft 2025-2028 TIP and amendment to the 2045 RTP.

The Chair later recognized the following individuals who offered public comments on the Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

1. Mr. Bobby Levinski, Save our Springs
2. Mr. Adam Greenfield, Rethink 35
3. Ms. Lauren Maher, Rethink 35
4. Mr. Devon Harrington, Rethink 35
5. Ms. Natalie Weston, Rethink 35
6. Mr. Will Fischer, Rethink 35
7. Mr. Robert Boler, Rethink 35
8. Mr. Kevin Wern, Rethink 35
9. Mr. Eric Guenther, Rethink 35
10. Ms. Mirium Schoenfield, Rethink 35
11. Mr. Irby Foster, Private Citizen
12. Ms. Heyden Black-Walker, Reconnect Austin
13. Ms. Addie Walker, Reconnect Austin

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 2:54 p.m.

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 00:08:05.

6. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on February 12, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson, CAMPO Executive Director who presented amendments to the February 12, 2024 meeting minutes as follows:

1. Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Funding of Deferred Projects (Page 19 of April 15, 2024 Meeting Packet) — Revise Project Sponsor for the Pearce Lane Project to “Travis County” instead of the City of Austin
2. Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Funding of Deferred Projects (Page 20 of April 15, 2024 Meeting Packet) — Revise comments provided by Council Member Alison Alter to indicate as follows:
 - a. “Council Member Alison Alter later made an amended motion for approval of the Refunding Scenario for the total cost and amended Transportation Development Credit (TDC) amount and approval of the Set-Aside Scenario for the Local Expenditure with the submittal of all required information by March 12, 2024.”
 - b. “Following approval of the amended motion, the Chair called the question for approval of the Refunding Scenario for the total cost and amended Transportation Development Credit (TDC) amount and approval of the Set-Aside Scenario for the Local Expenditure with the submittal of all required information by March 12, 2024”.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the February 12, 2024 meeting minutes, as amended.

Judge James Oakley moved for approval of the February 12, 2024 meeting minutes, as amended.

Mayor Josh Schroeder seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long, Council Member Rudy Metayer, Commissioner Clara Beckett, Council Member Alison Alter, Mayor Christine DeLisle, Council Member Paige Ellis (Proxy for Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison), Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E., Council Member Vanessa Fuentes (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Ms. Amy Pattillo), Mayor Jane Hughson, Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Judge James Oakley, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, Council Member Kristin Stevens (Alternate for Mayor Craig Morgan), Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: None

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7. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Federal Performance Measure Target Updates

The Chair recognized Mr. Nirav Ved, CAMPO Data & Operations Manager who provided a brief overview of the federally mandated requirement for all Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Departments of Transportation to adopt a Transportation Performance Management (TPM) system that uses investment and policy decision to achieve national performance goals. Mr. Ved highlighted CAMPO's utilization of the TPM process and discussed the performance measures process.

Mr. Ved presented the performance measure target updates and requested Transportation Policy Board approval of the 2024 Performance Measure Report and Targets as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-4-7.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the 2024 Performance Measure Report and Targets as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-4-7.

Judge James Oakley moved for approval of the 2024 Performance Measure Report and Targets as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-4-7.

Mayor Josh Schroeder seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long, Council Member Rudy Metayer, Commissioner Clara Beckett, Council Member Alison Alter, Mayor Christine DeLisle, Council Member Paige Ellis (Proxy for Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison), Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E., Council Member Vanessa Fuentes (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Ms. Amy Pattillo), Mayor Jane Hughson, Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Judge James Oakley, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, Council Member Kristin Stevens (Alternate for Mayor Craig Morgan), Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: None

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 00:52:00.

8. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action to Set-Aside Scenario

The Chair recognized Mr. Ryan Collins, Short-Range Planning Manager who summarized the conclusion of the deferral process for Category 7 Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding and highlighted the results of the evaluation process for Set-Aside Scenario Option 1 and Option 2 for deferred projects. Mr. Collins discussed projects for the City of Austin and proposed funding in Option 2. Mr. Collins informed the Board that following additional meetings with CAMPO staff, the City of Austin agreed to Set-Aside Scenario Option 2.

Mr. Collins also discussed updates to the financial funding forecast for STBG funding through FY 2028 and requested Transportation Policy Board approval of the Set-Aside Scenario as detailed in the Addendum to the Project Evaluation and Recommendation Report as detailed in Resolution 2024-4-8.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the Set-Aside Scenario as detailed in the Addendum to the Project Evaluation and Recommendation Report as detailed in Resolution 2024-4-8.

Council Member Alison Alter moved for approval of the Set-Aside Scenario as detailed in the Addendum to the Project Evaluation and Recommendation Report as detailed in Resolution 2024-4-8.

Council Member Paige Ellis seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long, Council Member Rudy Metayer, Commissioner Clara Beckett, Council Member Alison Alter, Mayor Christine DeLisle, Council Member Paige Ellis (Proxy for Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison), Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E., Council Member Vanessa Fuentes (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Ms. Amy Pattillo), Mayor Jane Hughson, Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Judge James Oakley, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, Council Member Kristin Stevens (Alternate for Mayor Craig Morgan), Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: None

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 00:59:29.

9. Presentation and Discussion on Air Quality

The Chair recognized Mr. Walker Williamson, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) who introduced Ms. Stephanie Frederick and Mr. Fernando Mercado of TCEQ's Air Quality Division as presenters for the discussion on air quality. Mr. Walker informed the Board that Austin is currently meeting all federal standards.

Mr. Mercado provided a high-level overview on Particulate Matter (PM), highlighted the primary and secondary annual standard for PM_{2.5} of the 2012 PM National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and noted that the new 2024 primary annual PM_{2.5} standard will become effective on May 6, 2024. Mr. Mercado also presented and discussed the annual PM_{2.5} design values for the Austin-Round Rock area and PM_{2.5} point sources and monitors in the Austin area and Central Texas.

Mr. Mercado later provided a brief overview of the current Ozone NAAQS status and informed the Board that the Austin-Round Rock area is currently in attainment. Mr. Mercado also presented and discussed the 8-hour ozone design values for the Austin-Round Rock area.

Ms. Frederick informed the Board that a new PM_{2.5} standard kicks off an official designation process when the EPA sets new or revised National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Ms. Frederick provided a brief overview of the designation process in conjunction with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision cycle. Ms. Frederick also presented and discussed the potential PM_{2.5} NAAQS implementation timeline. A brief overview of the PM Nonattainment Area requirements was also provided.

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 01:11:32.

The Chair changed the order of business to address Item 12 Executive Director's Report on Transportation Planning Activities.

12. Executive Director's Report on Transportation Planning Activities

a. Update on Federal Green House Gas Emissions Targets

The Chair recognized Mr. Tim Tuggey, CAMPO Legal Counsel who provided an update on the federal Green House Gas (GHG) Emissions Targets Rule. Mr. Tuggey reported that there was a state challenge to the GHG Emissions Targets rule brought by Texas, Kentucky, and 20 other states. Mr. Tuggey further reported that the courts placed an injunction on enforcement of the new GHG Emissions Targets Rule in both cases. The Board was informed that the rule currently remains in place and the federal government has asked the 5th Circuit and 6th Circuit courts for more time to determine intent to appeal the federal district judge's decision.

b. 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Administrative Amendment

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson who reported that an administrative amendment to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan was processed for a roadway project in the City of Buda, Hays County. Mr. Johnson noted that the amendment revised the project description from "4-lanes" to "up to 4-6 lanes". Mr. Johnson provided the location of the project.

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 01:37:46.

10. Update on 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

An update on the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan was not provided.

11. Presentation and Discussion on Regional Freight Plan

A presentation on the Regional Freight Plan was not provided.

13. Announcements

a. Transportation Policy Board Chair Announcements

The Chair informed the Board that the Transportation Policy Board did not convene a March meeting but a joint meeting of the AAMPO and CAMPO Executive Committees was held on March 22, 2024 in San Marcos. The Chair provided a brief summary of the discussion at that meeting.

b. The next Technical Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on April 22, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

c. The next Transportation Policy Board Meeting will be held on May 13, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Video of this item can be viewed [here](#). Start Video at 01:40:24

14. Adjournment

The April 15, 2024 meeting of the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board was adjourned at 3:50 p.m. by unanimous consent.

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