

Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Board Meeting The Junior League of Austin Community Impact Center 5330 Bluffstone Lane Austin, TX 78759 Monday, May 13, 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 2:00 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	Ν	Judge James Oakley
4	Alison Alter	City of Austin, District 10	Y	
5	Andy Brown	Judge, Travis County	Ν	Commissioner Ann Howard
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	Ν	Commissioner Cynthia Long

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

# 2. Public Comments

The Chair recognized Mr. Bill Brock, Hays County Coalition of Neighborhoods who offered public comments.

Video of this item can be viewed here. Start Video at 00:03:04

#### 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 April 22, 2024 TAC Meeting, on behalf of the TAC Chair, Mr. Gary Hudder.

Mr. McKeown reported that the TAC unanimously voted to approve a recommendation for Transportation Policy Board approval to adopt the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and an amendment to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). Mr. McKeown also reported that the TAC received a presentation on the Regional Freight Plan and an update on the Green House Gas Litigation Outcomes.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:01:44.

#### 5. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on April 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the April 15, 2024 meeting minutes, as presented.

Mayor Christine DeLisle moved for approval of the April 15, 2024 meeting minutes, as presented.

Mayor Craig Morgan seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long (Proxy for Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe), Council Member Rudy Metayer, 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, Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mayor Jane Hughson, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Mayor Craig Morgan, Judge James Oakley (Proxy for Commissioner Clara Beckett), Ms. Amy Pattillo, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: None

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:05:17.

# 6. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on FY 2024 & 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment #3

The Chair recognized Ms. Theresa Hernandez, CAMPO Finance & Administration Manager who informed the Board that proposed Amendment #3 will add the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority's 183A Added Capacity Study to Subtask 4.4 of the FY 2024 & 2025 UPWP. Ms. Hernandez requested Transportation Policy Board approval of Amendment #3 to the FY 2024 & 2045 UPWP with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-6, as presented.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of Amendment #3 to the FY 2024 & 2045 UPWP with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-6, as presented.

Mayor Josh Schroeder moved for approval of Amendment #3 to the FY 2024 & 2045 UPWP with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-6, as presented.

Judge James Oakley seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long (Proxy for Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe), Council Member Rudy Metayer, 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, Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mayor Jane Hughson, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Mayor Craig Morgan, Judge James Oakley (Proxy for Commissioner Clara Beckett), Ms. Amy Pattillo, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, 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 on CAMPO Reappointment to CapMetro Board

The Chair informed the Board that Mr. Matt Harriss currently serves as CAMPO appointee to the CapMetro Board and moved for approval to reappoint Mr. Harriss for an additional term to the CapMetro Board with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-7.

Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long (Proxy for Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe), Council Member Rudy Metayer, 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, Commissioner Ann Howard (Proxy for Judge Andy Brown), Mayor Jane Hughson, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Mayor Craig Morgan, Judge James Oakley (Proxy for Commissioner Clara Beckett), Ms. Amy Pattillo, Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Mayor Josh Schroeder, Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Nays: None

Abstain: Mr. Matt Harriss

Absent and Not Voting: None

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:07:11.

The Chair changed the order of business to address Agenda Item 9 Annual Briefing on CAMPO Financial Audit, Agenda Item 10 Update on 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and Agenda Item 11 Presentation and Discussion on Regional Freight Plan, consecutively.

# 9. Annual Briefing on CAMPO Finance Audit

The Chair recognized Ms. Theresa Hernandez who informed the Board that CAMPO has completed its single audit for FY 2023. Ms. Hernandez reported that the auditing firm Montemayor Britton Bender, PC performed the audit and provided notification of a clean audit. Ms. Hernandez introduced Mr. Sean Bender of Montemayor Britton Bender, PC who presented the audit results.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:08:18.

#### 10. Update on 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The Chair recognized Mr. William Lisska, CAMPO Regional Planning Manager who provided a brief overview of CAMPO's RTP and the planning process for the 2050 RTP. Mr. Lisska presented the tentative planning schedule for the 2050 RTP and discussed key dates. Mr. Lisska informed the Board that the draft 2050 RTP is anticipated for completion by the end of December 2024 and the final draft 2050 RTP must be adopted by May 2025.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:11:04.

# 11. Presentation and Discussion on Regional Freight Plan

The Chair recognized Mr. Nirav Ved, CAMPO Data & Operations Manager who informed the Board that the Regional Freight Plan was adopted in 2008 and has since been updated following its adoption. Mr. Ved provided a brief overview of the Regional Freight Plan and summarized the next steps. Mr. Ved informed the Board that staff will seek TAC recommendation for adoption at its May 20, 2024 meeting and adoption by the Transportation Policy Board at its June 10, 2024 meeting.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 01:11:32.

The Chair changed the order of business to address Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

# 8. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The Chair recognized Mr. Ryan Collins, CAMPO Short-Range Planning Manager who informed the Board that a public hearing on the draft 2025-28 TIP and amendment to the 2045 RTP was held on April 15, 2024 and provided a brief overview of the draft 2025-28 TIP and proposed amendment to the 2045 RTP. Mr. Collins highlighted the I-35 Capital Express Project and other projects included in the 2025-2028 TIP. Mr. Collins also presented and discussed a historical timeline for the I-35 Capital Express Project.

Mr. Collins introduced Ms. Doise Miers, CAMPO Community Outreach Manager who summarized the public involvement process for the draft 2025-2028 TIP and amendment to the 2045 RTP. Ms. Miers informed the Board that the public comment period for the draft 2025-2028 TIP and proposed amendment to the 2045 RTP opened on March 15, 2024 and closed on April 16, 2024. Ms. Miers reported that approximately 350 public comments were received and noted that the TAC provided a review of those comments.

Mr. Collins concluded the presentation with a request for adoption of the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and approval of the proposed amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) accompanying Resolution 2024-5-8.

Mayor Josh Schroeder designated his proxy to Mayor Craig Morgan prior to leaving the meeting.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval to adopt the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and approval of the amendment to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-8.

Mayor Craig Morgan moved for approval to adopt the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and approval of the amendment to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) accompanying Resolution 2024-5-8.

Judge James Oakley seconded the motion.

The Chair summarized the process for offering public comments to the Transportation Policy Board on agendas item and recognized the following individuals who offered public comment on Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

- 1. Mr. Scott Johnson, Private Citizen
- 2. Mr. Santiago, Private Citizen
- 3. Mr. Logan Ott, Private Citizen
- 4. Mr. Bill Brock, Hays County Coalition of Neighborhoods
- 5. Ms. Mery Rivera, Rethink 35
- 6. Mr. Cameron Cassidy, Private Citizen
- 7. Ms. Meah Lin, Rethink 35
- 8. Mr. Robert Boler, Private Citizen

- 9. Mr. Matt Geske, Downtown Austin Alliance
- 10. Mr. Christian May, Rethink 35
- 11. Ms. Eileen McGinnis, The Parent's Climate Community
- 12. Mr. Adam Greenfield, Reconnect 35
- 13. Ms. Monica Sanchez, LaRata Roundtable
- 14. Ms. Lauren Maher, Rethink 35 at UT
- 15. Ms. Alexandria Sivolab, Rethink 35
- 16. Ms. Barbara Epstein, Hancock Neighborhood Association
- 17. Mr. Geoffrey Chapliss, Rethink 35
- 18. Mr. Brandon Countryman, Rethink 35 at UT
- 19. Ms. Miriam Schoenfield, Private Citizen
- 20. Ms. Shannon Clark, Private Citizen
- 21. Mr. Edgar Handle, AURA
- 22. Ms. Elyse Watts, Private Citizen
- 23. Ms. Anoosh Razian, Private Citizen
- 24. Mr. Cutter Gonzales, Rethink 35
- 25. Mr. Eric Kylberg, AURA
- 26. Ms. Makenna Mann, Private Citizen
- 27. Mr. Isaac Martin, Rethink 35
- 28. Mr. Gabriel Brittian, Rethink 35
- 29. Ms. Grace Gilker, Festival Beach Food Forest
- 30. Ms. Christina DeStefano, Rethink 35
- 31. Ms. Elena Milan, Rethink 35
- 32. Ms. Heyden Walker, Reconnect Austin
- 33. Ms. Addie Walker, Reconnect Austin
- 34. Mr. Sean Moothart, Private Citizen
- 35. Mr. Kevin Wern, Private Citizen
- 36. Mr. Jordan Wade, Private Citizen
- 37. Mr. Connor Gibson, Rethink 35
- 38. Ms. Nima Rahman, Private Citizen
- 39. Mr. John Bengson, Private Citizen
- 40. Ms. Logan Ott, Private Citizen
- 41. Ms. Jessica Riley, Private Citizen

The Chair opened the floor for comments and discussion by the Board on Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Draft 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

The Chair recognized Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E., TxDOT-Austin District Engineer who summarized TxDOT's public involvement efforts, public feedback received, and collaborations with public agencies regarding the I-35 Capital Express Project. Mr. Ferguson also addressed concerns recently presented by the City of Austin regarding the impact on air quality as a result of the I-35 Capital Express Project. To address the City of Austin's concerns, Mr. Ferguson provided a commitment from the TxDOT-Austin District to review and incorporate the findings and recommendations from the environmental studies, as specified by the City of Austin, into the I-35 Capital Express Project.

Council Member Alison Alter offered an amended motion with language to delay funding on the I-35 Capital Express Project, with a request for the acceleration of other projects in the region, and completion of air quality studies with accompanying amended Resolution 2024-5-8.

Council Member Paige Ellis seconded the amended motion.

Council Member Alter provided the Board with copies of the amended language supporting the amended motion, as presented.

Following comments from the Board, the Chair called the question on the amended motion, as presented by Council Member Alter.

The motion failed.

Ayes: Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Paige Ellis (Proxy for Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison), Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, and Ms. Amy Pattillo

Nays: Commissioner Cynthia Long (Proxy for Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe), Council Member Rudy Metayer, Mayor Christine DeLisle, Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E., Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard, Mayor Jane Hughson, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Mayor Craig Morgan (Proxy for Mayor Josh Schroeder), Judge James Oakley (Proxy for Commissioner Clara Beckett), Mayor Jim Penniman-Morin, Commissioner Edward Theriot, and Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion

Abstain: None

Absent and non-voting: None

The Chair recalled the original motion on the floor as moved by Mayor Craig Morgan and seconded by Judge James Oakley for approval to adopt the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the amendment to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) with accompanying Resolution 2024-5-8.

The Chair called the question on the original motion, as presented.

The motion prevailed.

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

# Nays: None

Abstain: Council Member Alison Alter, Council Member Paige Ellis (Proxy for Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison), and Council Member Vanessa Fuentes Absent and Not Voting: None

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 00:22:10.

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

# 12. Executive Director's Report on Transportation Planning Activities

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson, CAMPO Executive Director who reported on recent discussions regarding the final rule by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on Green House Gas (GHG) emissions. Mr. Johnson provided a recap of his previous report to the Board on the court filings by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton and the attorney general for the state of Kentucky. Mr. Johnson informed the Board that a judgement was received for both lawsuits and the GHG Rule was struck down. Mr. Johnson added that FHWA will have an opportunity to appeal by the filing deadline of May 27, 2024.

Mr. Johnson also provided clarity on CAMPO's efforts regarding the Mobile Emissions Reduction Plan and noted that the Mobile Emissions Reduction Plan does not review individual projects but reviews strategies to mitigate air quality, instead.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 02:03:20.

#### 13. Announcements

a. Transportation Policy Board Chair Announcements

The Chair announced that the June and July Transportation Policy Board meetings will be canceled and added that cancellation of the August Transportation Policy Board meeting has not been determined.

The Chair also announced that the performance evaluation tool for the upcoming performance review of the CAMPO Executive Director will be sent to Transportation Policy Board members during the month of July. The Chair requested that the Board utilize the performance evaluation tool to provide their input.

b. The next Technical Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on May 20, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

A brief discussion by the Board regarding the current location of CAMPO Transportation Policy Board meetings, and accessibility options for public attendance and participation followed the Transportation Policy Board Chair Announcements.

Video of this item can be viewed here. Start Video at 02:05:12

# 14. Adjournment

The May 13, 2024 meeting of the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. by unanimous consent.

Video of this item can be viewed <u>here</u>. Start Video at 02:10:31