

Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Board Meeting

The Junior League of Austin Community Impact Center 5330 Bluffstone Lane Austin, TX 78759 Monday, September 9, 2024 – 2:00 p.m.

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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 2:01 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	Ms. Amy Pattillo
6	Christine DeLisle	Mayor City of Leander	Y	
7	Paige Ellis	City of Austin, District 8	Y	
8	Tucker Ferguson, P.E.	TxDOT-Austin District	N	Ms. Heather Ashley-Nguyen
9	Vanessa Fuentes	City of Austin, District 2	Y	
10	Natasha Harper-Madison	City of Austin, District 1	N	
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	Υ	
15	Travis Mitchell	Mayor, City of Kyle	Υ	
16	Craig Morgan	Mayor, City of Round Rock	N	Mayor Pro Tem Kristin Stevens
17	James Oakley	Judge, Burnet County	Υ	
18	Amy Pattillo	Travis County	Υ	
19	Jim Penniman-Morin	City of Cedar Park	Υ	
20	Josh Schroeder	Mayor, City of Georgetown	Υ	
21	Edward Theriot	Commissioner, Caldwell County	Υ	
22	Jeffrey Travillion	Commissioner, Travis County	Y	

2. Public Comments

The Chair recognized the following individuals who offered public comments.

- 1. Mr. Irby Foster, Private Citizen
- 2. Mr. Randy Johnston, Hays County 1826 Neighborhood Coalition

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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 on the discussion items from the August 26, 2024 TAC Meeting. Mr. McKeown reported that the TAC received presentations on the FY 2026-2029 Project Call, 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update, Central Texas Transportation Management System (CTTMS), and the Regional Safety Action Plan.

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5. Recognition of Service to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

The Chair recognized TAC members, Mr. Gary Hudder, representing the City of Round Rock and Ms. Laurie Moyer, P.E., representing the City of San Marcos for their service to the TAC. The Chair noted that Mr. Hudder and Ms. Moyer have recently retired and recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson, CAMPO Executive Director Johnson who offered comments of gratitude for their contributions to the TAC.

Mayor Pro Tem Kristin Stevens, representing the City of Round Rock accepted a plaque on Mr. Hudder's behalf and Mayor Jane Hughson, representing the City of San Marcos accepted a plaque on Ms. Moyer's behalf.

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6. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on May 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the May 13, 2024 meeting minutes, as amended.

Vice Chair Rudy Metayer moved for approval of the May 13, 2024 meeting minutes, as amended.

Mr. Ashby Johnson informed the Board that the meeting minutes were corrected to reflect Ms. Amy Pattillo voting in support of the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Amendment to 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), as presented for Agenda Item 8 Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Draft 2025-2028 TIP and Amendment to 2045 RTP. Mr. Johnson noted that accompanying Resolution 2024-5-8 was corrected, as well.

Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

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7. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on 2025 Meeting Schedule for Transportation Policy Board

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson who presented the 2025 meeting schedule for the Transportation Policy Board. Mr. Johnson referred to the 2025 meeting schedule included in the meeting materials and noted that the Board generally does not convene during the months of March and July. Mr. Johnson added that the March and July meeting dates are placeholders should the Board need to convene during those months.

The Chair highlighted the 2025 meeting dates and entertained a motion for approval of the 2025 meeting schedule for the Transportation Policy Board, as presented.

Vice Chair Rudy Metayer moved for approval of the 2025 meeting schedule for the Transportation Policy Board, as presented.

Mayor Travis Mitchell seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

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8. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action to Authorize CAMPO Executive Director to Execute an Inter-Local Agreement (ILA) with the Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI)

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson who informed the Board that CAMPO staff has been in discussions with Mr. Jim Dale, City of Austin Deputy Director of Transportation and Public Works and City of Austin staff regarding the coordination of traffic and emergency management for large special events occurring at the same time in the CAMPO 6-county region. Mr. Johnson informed the Board that through the proposed ILA, TTI will provide a catalogue of all of the special events in the region, conduct a traffic analysis, and develop protocols and communications between agencies for each event.

Mr. Johnson requested authorization to execute an ILA with TTI, as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-9-8.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval to authorize the CAMPO Executive Director to execute an ILA with TTI, as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-9-8.

Mayor Josh Schroeder moved for approval to authorize the CAMPO Executive Director to execute an ILA with TTI, as presented with accompanying Resolution 2024-9-8.

Mayor Christine DeLisle seconded the motion.

The Chair recognized Ms. Amy Pattillo who noted that as proxy for Judge Andy Brown, he is voting in support of authorizing the CAMPO Executive Director to execute an ILA with TTI but she is abstaining from the vote.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: Ms. Amy Pattillo

Absent and Not Voting: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

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9. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on Regional Freight Plan

The Chair recognized Mr. Nirav Ved, CAMPO Data & Operations Manager who provided a brief recap of the May 13, 2024 presentation of the Regional Freight Plan. Mr. Ved informed the Board that the Regional Freight Plan includes a total of 80 Short-, Medium-, and Long-Term recommendations which are separated into four (4) categories that include Infrastructure, Technology, Safety, and Land Use and Economic Development. Mr. Ved highlighted components of the plan which include Freight Assets, Truck Parking Deficiencies, Equity Challenges, and E-Commerce. Mr. Ved also summarized the results of the Project Gap Analysis and requested approval of the Regional Freight Plan.

Council Member Alison Alter inquired about the scope of the Regional Freight Plan and how it would address air quality issues.

CAMPO staff responded by stating that the Regional Freight Plan was not scoped to assess or make recommendations on air quality in our region.

CAMPO staff continued by informing the Board that the Mobile Emissions Reduction Plan (MERP) that was approved by the Transportation Policy Board over a year ago had recently received required approval from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and would be used as the vehicle to address some air quality issues.

The Chair entertained a motion for approval of the Regional Freight Plan, as presented.

Commissioner Jeffrey Travillion moved for approval of the Regional Freight Plan, as presented.

Vice Chair Rudy Metayer seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

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10. Discussion and Take Appropriate Action on CAMPO Executive Director's Annual Performance Appraisal and Related Compensation Adjustment Recommendation

The Chair thanked the Transportation Policy Board members that responded to the request for FY 2024 performance evaluations for Mr. Ashby Johnson, CAMPO Executive Director. The Chair congratulated Mr. Johnson on his performance evaluation for FY 2024 in receiving the highest score he's ever received and summarized the positive comments received in the evaluations. Vice Chair Rudy Metayer offered additional comments commending Mr. Johnson's good work in FY 2024.

The Chair informed the Board that the Executive Committee recommended a 5% merit adjustment for the CAMPO Executive Director for FY 2024. The Chair also informed the Board that as a Williamson County employee, Mr. Johnson will also receive a 3% cost of living adjustment for FY 2024.

The Chair moved for acceptance of the CAMPO Executive Director's FY 2024 performance appraisal and approval of a 5% merit adjustment for FY 2024.

Mayor Jim Penniman-Moran seconded the motion.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

Ayes: Commissioner Cynthia Long, Council Member Rudy Metayer, Commissioner Clara Beckett,
Council Member Alison Alter, Ms. Heather Ashley-Nguyen (Proxy for Mr. Tucker Ferguson, P.E.), Mayor Christine
DeLisle, Council Member Paige Ellis, Council Member Vanessa Fuentes, Mr. Matt Harriss, Commissioner Ann Howard,
Mayor Jane Hughson, Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Mayor Travis Mitchell, Judge James Oakley, Ms. Amy Pattillo
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Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent and Not Voting: Council Member Natasha Harper-Madison

Mr. Johnson offered comments of gratitude to the Transportation Policy Board and to CAMPO staff.

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11. Discussion on FY 2026-2029 Project Call and Funding Opportunity

The Chair recognized Mr. Ryan Collins, CAMPO Short-Range Planning Manager who announced that CAMPO will release the FY 2026-2029 Call for Projects for the Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) Program and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funding on September 12, 2024. Mr. Collins briefly discussed the TASA Program, CRP, and project eligibility for both programs.

Mr. Collins informed the Board that approximately \$31.6 million is available in Carbon Reduction funding and \$37 million is available in TASA funding. Mr. Collins summarized the 2026-2029 Project Call funding forecast, and highlighted the schedule and timeline for the 2026-2029 Project Call.

Mr. Collins reported that CAMPO will release a call for projects in September 2025 for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding to be programmed in FY 2028-2031. Mr. Collins also reported that approximately \$173 million will be available for the project call and noted that project sponsors are encouraged to participate in the scheduled information webinars for the FY 2026-2029 Call for Projects TASA Program and CRP funding as the process will be the same.

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12. Update on 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The Chair recognized Mr. William Lisska, CAMPO Regional Planning Manager who provided a brief overview of the development process for the 2050 RTP. Mr. Lisska informed the Board that 756 projects were received during the project call which opened on June 17, 2024 and closed on August 16, 2024.

Mr. Lisska reported that CAMPO staff worked with member agencies prior to the call for projects to review their projects listed in the 2045 RTP and to determine which projects should be carried over for inclusion into the 2050 RTP. Mr. Lisska provided a brief summary of the projects to be carried over from the 2045 RTP and added to the projects received through the 2050 project call, discussed the project review process, and next steps.

Ms. Doise Miers, CAMPO Community Outreach Manager briefly summarized the public outreach requirements and upcoming public outreach effort for the adoption of the 2050 RTP.

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13. Executive Director's Report on Transportation Planning Activities

The Chair recognized Mr. Ashby Johnson who summarized multiple discussions by 24 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in the state to renegotiate the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) planning fund distribution formula. Mr. Johnson reported that the MPOs have since tried to reach consensus in a recent discussion on a new planning fund distribution formula. Mr. Johnson also discussed the next steps in the approval of a new planning fund distribution formula and implementation.

Mr. Johnson continued with a summary of the scheduled activities offered and his participation at the TxDOT Transportation Planning Conference held in Dallas, TX on September 3-5, 2024.

Mr. Johnson also reported that he was in attendance for the September Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA) board meeting to speak in support of a budget item and request for the CTRMA to complete a feasibility study for US 290 in the City of Manor. Mr. Johnson further reported that the item was approved and briefly summarized the next steps.

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14. Announcements

a. Transportation Policy Board Chair Announcements

There were no announcements from the Chair.

- b. The next Technical Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on September 23, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.
- c. The next Transportation Policy Board Meeting will be held on October 7, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Brief comments regarding a remote option for the participation of Transportation Policy Board members followed the Transportation Policy Board Chair Announcements.

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15. Adjournment

The September 9, 2024 meeting of the CAMPO Transportation Policy Board was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. by unanimous consent.

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