

**Harlingen-San Benito
Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Policy Committee (TPC)
Meeting Minutes for March 21, 2018
Approved at the April 11, 2018 TPC Meeting**

Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Chris Boswell called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. The meeting took place at the San Benito Municipal Building, 401 N. Sam Houston Blvd., San Benito, Texas 78586.

Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Mr. Frank Gudino stated there was quorum.

Members Present:

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| ✓ Ms. Carol Lynn Sanchez, | City of San Benito Designee |
| ✓ Mayor Chris Boswell, | City of Harlingen |
| ✓ Ms. Sylvia Trevino, | City of Palm Valley Designee |
| ✓ Mayor Mark Sanchez, | City of Combes |
| ✓ Mayor R. Dave Kush, | City of Primera |
| ✓ Mr. Ben Medina, | City of Rio Hondo Designee |
| ✓ Mayor Rick Cavazos, | City of Los Indios |
| ✓ Mayor Andres Contreras, | City of Santa Rosa |
| ✓ Mr. David Garza, | Cameron County PCT # "3" |
| ✓ Mr. Gus Ruiz, | Cameron County PCT # "4" |
| ✓ Mr. Pete Alvarez, | TxDOT |
| ✓ Mr. Dan Serna, | City of Harlingen City Manager |
| ✓ Mr. Fred Bell, | City of San Benito City Manager Designee |

Others Present:

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| ✓ Mr. Gabriel Gonzalez, | City of Harlingen |
| ✓ Mr. Candido Bocanegra, | TxDOT |
| ✓ Mr. Raymond Sanchez, | TxDOT |
| ✓ Mr. David Vera, | TxDOT |
| ✓ Mr. Pete Sepulveda, | CCRMA |
| ✓ Mr. Mark Lund, | Brownsville MPO |
| ✓ Mr. Tom Logan, | LRGVDC-Valley Metro |
| ✓ Mr. Rick Kelly, | Valley Morning Star |
| ✓ Mr. Carlos Sanchez, | City of Harlingen |
| ✓ Mr. Joel Garza, | HSBMPO |
| ✓ Mr. Frank Gudino, | HSBMPO |

Public Comment

Consideration and Action to Approve the February 14, 2018 Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) Meeting Minutes

Mayor Chris Boswell asked the committee if there were any additions or corrections to the February 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

A motion to approve the February 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes was made by Commissioner David Garza and seconded by Mr. Pete Alvarez. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Presentation of Calendar Year 2017 Attendance Record

Mr. Joel Garza presented this item and informed the members that each year the HSBMPO presents attendance records for the TAC and TPC meetings. The attendance records are attached for each member to review in the packet. Mr. Garza advised the members to review the record and let us know of any discrepancies.

Mr. Pete Alvarez made a comment addressing the TAC meeting attendance and encourage the members and their staff to attend the meetings.

Mayor Cavazos asked Mr. Garza if perhaps changing the TAC meetings for a different time would help increase attendance. Mr. Garza will be bringing this question on the next TAC meeting and asking the members their opinion.

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Discussion and Presentation of FY 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Mr. Joel Garza presented this item and informed the members that enclosed in each member's packet is the DRAFT TIP. This item will be discussed one more time in April and the final approval will be on May 2018.

Mr. Pete Alvarez made a comment and informed the members that the TIP is being evaluated and determining which projects will make the designating lettings.

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Status Reports **TxDOT Project Status Reports**

Mr. David Vera informed the members that we will be talking three projects and they are the 107 and Combes project, Rio Hondo Lift Bridge and FM 106 project. Mr. Vera

informed the members of each project individually and details and answered any questions or concerns anyone had regarding the presentation of projects

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Valley Metro Status Report Updates

A representative, Tom Logan, from Valley Metro was present to provide the members with status reports. Mr. Logan informed the members that they are half way through their fare free policy and they have seen a great growth. There is a 38% increase in ridership. Reports can be found in each member's packet.

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MPO Merger Update

A rep from the Brownsville MPO spoke briefly about the MPO merger.

Meeting Adjournment

Mayor Boswell adjourned the meeting at 1:39 pm