

**Harlingen-San Benito  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Transportation Policy Committee (TPC)  
Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2018  
Pending Approval at the May 9, 2018 TPC Meeting**

**Meeting Called to Order**

Mayor Chris Boswell called the meeting to order at 1:00 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**

Ms. Jennifer Prado stated there was quorum.

**Members Present:**

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| ✓ Mayor Ben Gomez,        | City of San Benito                |
| ✓ Mayor Chris Boswell,    | City of Harlingen                 |
| ✓ Ms. Debe Wright,        | City of Palm Valley Designee      |
| ✓ Mayor Mark Sanchez,     | City of Combes                    |
| ✓ Ms. Veronica Flores,    | City of Primera Designee          |
| ✓ Mr. Ben Medina,         | City of Rio Hondo Designee        |
| ✓ Mayor Rick Cavazos,     | City of Los Indios                |
| ✓ Mr. Jaime Sandoval,     | City of La Feria Designee         |
| ✓ Mayor Andres Contreras, | City of Santa Rosa                |
| ✓ Mr. Raul Gomez,         | Cameron County PCT # "3" Designee |
| ✓ Mr. Mike Vasquez,       | Cameron County PCT # "4" Designee |
| ✓ Mr. Homer Bazan,        | TxDOT Designee                    |
| ✓ Mr. Dan Serna,          | City of Harlingen City Manager    |
| ✓ Mr. Manuel De la Rosa,  | City of San Benito City Manager   |

**Others Present:**

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| ✓ Mr. Gabriel Gonzalez,  | City of Harlingen   |
| ✓ Mr. Candido Bocanegra, | TxDOT               |
| ✓ Mr. Andres Espinoza,   | TxDOT               |
| ✓ Mr. Raymond Sanchez,   | TxDOT               |
| ✓ Mr. Sergio Sustaita,   | TxDOT               |
| ✓ Mr. Juan Bosquez,      | TxDOT               |
| ✓ Mr. Anthony Garza,     | L&G Engineering     |
| ✓ Mr. Pete Sepulveda,    | CCRMA               |
| ✓ Ms. Paolina Vega,      | Cameron County      |
| ✓ Mr. Fred Bell,         | City of San Benito  |
| ✓ Mr. Tom Logan,         | LRGVDC-Valley Metro |
| ✓ Mr. Rick Kelly,        | Valley Morning Star |

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| ✓ Mr. Ivan Estrada,   | Photographer      |
| ✓ Mr. Carlos Sanchez, | City of Harlingen |
| ✓ Mr. Joel Garza,     | HSBMPO            |
| ✓ Ms. Jennifer Prado, | HSBMPO            |

## **Public Comment**

### **Consideration and Action to Approve the March 21, 2018 Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Chris Boswell asked the committee if there were any additions or corrections to the March 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

A motion to approve the March 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes was made by Mayor Boswell and seconded by Mr. Dan Serna. Upon a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

### **Discussion of FHWA's Performance Measures MOU**

Mr. Joel Garza presented this item and informed the members that this item is now required by the FAST ACT and that all MPO's must have. This item can be found as an attachment in each member's packet. This item will be brought back in May 2018 for approval.

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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 up for approval for the upcoming TPC meeting in May 2018. Mr. Garza gave a small presentation to inform the members of the projects included in the TIP document.

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### **Discussion and Presentation of the HSBMPO's Public Participation Plan Revision #3**

Mr. Garza presented this item and informed the members that in each of their packets, as an enclosure, they can find the PPP document. Each item highlighted in yellow has either been changed or revised. This item will be brought up in the next TPC meeting for approval.

## **Status Reports**

### **TxDOT Project Status Reports**

Mr. Candido Bocanegra informed the members that we will be talking about three projects and they are the SH 107, Combes project, and 281 Los Indios project. Mr. Bocanegra informed the members about each project individual project and the project details. Mr. Bocanegra answered any questions or concerns anyone had regarding the presentation of projects.

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### **Valley Metro Status Report Updates**

A representative from Valley Metro, Tom Logan, was present to provide the members with status reports. There is a 28% increase in ridership. Reports can be found in each member's packet. Status reports are included in each member's packets.

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### **Cameron County RMA Status Reports**

A representative from the CCRMA, Mr. Pete Sepulveda was present to give project updates.

Mr. Sepulveda answered any questions, any one had.

### **MPO Merger Update**

Mr. Garza presented this item and informed the members there is no new updates at the moment.

### **Meeting Adjournment**

Mayor Boswell adjourned the meeting at 1:24 pm