

# FULL POLICY BOARD AGENDA

## POLICY BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, July 14, 2021 – 1:30 PM

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METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO)

*Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meeting Act, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the RGVMPO POLICY BOARD will be held **In Person** at the LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W. Railroad Street, Building B, Ken Jones Executive Board Room in Weslaco, TX.*

I. Call To Order

II. Roll Call

III. **Public Comments** – Maybe submitted online or maybe submitted in paper form specifying the matter you wish to address.

1. **Approval of Minutes - May 26, 2021**

Action       Possible Action       Information

Presenter: Ambrosio Hernandez, **Chairman**

Item Summary: Approval of the May 26, 2021, meeting minutes contained in Electronic Item "A" will be requested.

Background: N/A

2. **Consent Agenda**

2.1 **Discussion and Possible Action of Re-Designation Amendment to Include Resolution 2021-08**

Action       Possible Action       Information

Presenter: **Andrew Canon, RGVMPO**

Item Summary: A Re-designation Agreement is required by law to effectuate the consolidation of MPOs.

Background: The amended Re-Designation is needed to define the Composition of the Policy Board: There is an initial thirty-one (31) **VOTE** Policy Board and is seeking to amend to a 32VOTE Policy Board. The signatories to the Re-designation Agreement will be required to make any changes to the Re-designation agreement (i.e., changes cannot be made by simply amending the bylaws). The Policy Board approved the MAB expansion and By-Law amendment at the previous April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Staff recommends approval.**

**Tabled on May 13<sup>th</sup> TAC Meeting.**

## 2.2 Discussion and Possible Action of Amendment to Targets for Roadway System Performance Targets to include Resolution 2021-09

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Miguel Arispe, GIS Specialist II  
**Item Summary:** An Amendment to Resolution 2021-04 which states the RGVMPPO agrees to support the updated Statewide PM2 and PM3 Performance Targets. (Approved 02/24/2021).  
**Background:** On February 24,2021, the RGVMPPO Policy Board approved Resolution 2021-04 agreeing to support the Statewide Targets set forth by the Texas Department of Transportation for PM2 and PM3 Performance Targets. The Amended “Resolution 2021-09” reflects 3 Revised Targets which were initially displayed incorrectly (See Attachment).

## 2.3 Discussion and Possible Action on the FY2020-2021 UPWP Amendment #5 to include Resolution 2021-10.

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Christopher Nelson, Planner I  
**Item Summary:** Staff will be providing additional information on the FY2020-2021 UPWP Amendment #5 to include Resolution 2021-10.  
**Background:** RGVMPPO staff is asking to move over funds from FY2021 Task 2 into Task 4 in the amount of \$100,000, to be utilized to balance out the books and this will be a zero-sum game.

## 2.4 Discussion and Possible Action on the FY2022-2023 UPWP to include Resolution 2021-11.

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Christopher Nelson, Planner I  
**Item Summary:** Staff will be providing updated information on the FY2022-2023 UPWP to include Resolution 2021-11.  
**Background:** RGVMPPO Staff has made Administrative Changes to the FY2022-2023 UPWP and has also made changes reflecting TXDOT Review of the documents (**See Attachments**).

**2.5 Discussion and Possible Action on 2021-2024 Highway / Transit TIP & 2045 MTP – Revisions and Administrative Modifications / Resolutions: 2021-12 –13 and 14.**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Rudy Zamora, Planner I / TxDOT

**Item Summary:** RGVMPPO staff is seeking approval of the 2021-2024 Highway/Transit TIP & 2045 MTP to include Resolutions 2021-12 – 13 and 14. Revisions / Administrative Modifications. A final draft copy of the Highway & Transit TIP, MTP, and Summary Sheets have been included for your review.

**Background:** The RGVMPPO TIP & MTP is updated quarterly, but due to issues with fiscal constraint, the original deadline (May of 2020) for approval of these documents was set back significantly. A fiscal constraint reset was approved by our TPB in January of 2021. The State TIP (STIP) is pending official approval but a proposed deadline for revisions to the Highway and Transit TIP tables was set for August of 2021. A deadline of July 27<sup>th</sup> has been assigned for all revisions and modifications to be uploaded via the E-STIP Portal. A 30-day Public Involvement period began on June 11<sup>th</sup> and will end on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Please take in consideration all updates received from our local governments, the diligent communication between RGVMPPO staff, TXDOT staff, our TAC & TPB, and all items reviewed during the workshop held on July 7<sup>th</sup>, before approving these documents. RGVMPPO staff is available to address any questions, comments, or concerns.

**2.6 Discussion of Category 7 Funds for Direct State Cost**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Andrew Canon, RGVMPPO

**Item Summary:** Historically, Category 7 has been used at times to cover the Direct State Cost associated with projects.

**Background:** Commissioner Fuentes has asked the RGVMPPO to add this item to the agenda for discussion and clarification with our partners at TxDOT on the eligibility of using Cat. 7 funding to cover the Direct State Cost associated with project development. It is believed that TxDOT is revising the way that Direct State Costs are charged to off-system roadways beginning with the Mile 6 Project and clarification is being sought.

## 2.7 Discussion of Category 9 – TASA Funding Update

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Eva Garcia, Planner III/BikePed Program Coordinator

**Item Summary:** The Category 9: TASA Funding Update is intended to inform the RGVMPPO's policymakers and transportation professionals about program activities to ensure transparency and improve the understanding of investments made to facilitate data-driven decision-making.

**Background:** RGVMPPO Staff continues to review and monitor how Category 9 funds have been apportioned, obligated, and reimbursed. This report documents the region's historical funding of projects and insight to project development.

## IV. RGVMPPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UPDATES

**Presenter:** Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO

**Item Summary:** New Offices Location – Follow-up

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO

**Item Summary:** Financial Update

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO

**Item Summary:** CAT 7 – Comprehensive Sheet - UPDATE

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO

**Item Summary:** TASA - UPDATE

Action       Possible Action       Information

**V. Status Report**

**A. TxDOT Project Status Report**

Action       Possible Action       Information  
**Presenter:**      **TxDOT**

**B. Cameron County RMA**

Action       Possible Action       Information  
**Presenter:**      **Pete Sepulveda**

**C. Hidalgo County RMA**

Action       Possible Action       Information  
**Presenter:**      **Eric Davila**

**D. Regional Transit Metro**

Action       Possible Action       Information  
**Presenter:**      **Antonio Zubieta**

**VI. Other Business (Old or New):** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of interest before the group.

**VII. Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the RGVMPPO Transportation Technical Committee is scheduled for **1:30 pm on August 25, 2021.**