

FULL POLICY BOARD AGENDA

POLICY BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021 – 1:30 PM

RIO GRANDE VALLEY

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 September 29, 2021, Minutes

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: Ambrosio Hernandez, Chairman

Item Summary: Approval of the September 29, 2021, meeting minutes contained in packet will be requested for approval.

Background: N/A

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Discussion and Action on Election of Vice Chairman

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: Andrew Canon, Executive Direction (RGVMPO)

Summary: Pursuant to the RGVMPO Bylaws Section: 2.03 Term of Office Both the Chair and the Vice Chair shall serve two (2) year terms. In any given term, the Chair shall be from either Cameron County or Hidalgo County with the Vice Chair being from the other county and succeeding the Chair when the Chair's term is complete. No one can serve twice unless all board members have served at least once.

Background: Time of Election After the initial election of officers, the officer election will be held during the first meeting after the beginning of the defined fiscal year. **Once new Vice Chairman is elected, existing Vice Chairman will assume Chairman position (Judge Trevino, Cameron County).**

2.2 Recognition and Presentation to Outgoing Chairman Ambrosio "Amos" Hernandez

2.3 Discussion and Action to Approve Resolution 2021-20 Regarding the Re-Programming of FY2019-2020 TASA Funds

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: Eva Garcia

Summary: RGVMPPO Staff recommends the approval of Resolution 2021-20 to Re-program \$408,000 of Hidalgo County MPO (HCMPO) FY2019-2020 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program Funds. The funds are proposed to be programmed for the City of McAllen's (in partnership with the City of Edinburg) Jackson Road Hike and Bike Phase II construction project.

Background: Due to project challenges, funding from HCMPO's FY2019-2020 TASA Funds has become available for reprogramming. With the continued need to obligate these funds by September 2022, and project changes moving forward to amend the Jackson Road Hike and Bike Phase II Project's executed Advance Funding Agreement (AFA), RGVMPPO Staff has met with TxDOT Pharr District Staff and City of McAllen Staff to concur on the recommendation being presented to the RGVMPPO Transportation Policy Board. This recommendation has additionally been supported during the October 14, 2021 RGVMPPO Technical Advisory Committee Meeting.

2.4 Discussion and Action on Revising TAC and TPB Meeting Dates Schedule

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: Andrew Canon, Executive Director

Summary: Due to the following Holidays and the Timeline of having the next STIP Revision completed by January 25, 2022, Staff is recommending having both TAC and TPB meetings rescheduled for November/December 2021.

Background: **TAC**
November 18, 2021 @ 10 a.m.
December 2, 2021 @ 10 a.m.
January 6, 2022 @ 10 a.m. TPB

TPB
December 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m. immediately following LRGVDC Board meeting.

January 19, 2022 @ 1:30 p.m.

2.5 Discussion on the 2023-2026 STIP Revision Schedule

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Andrew Canon, Executive Director**

Summary: The November 2022 STIP Revisions Deadline will be predicated on when FHWA / FTA approves the 2033-2026 STIP. September 2023 through May 2024 District, Divisions, and MPOs developing 2025-2028 STIP

Background: **See Attachment(s)**

2.6 Discussion on the RGV Thoroughfare Plan Amendment

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Luis Diaz, RGV MPO**

Summary: As part of the Yearly RGV Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Process, Staff continues to accept amendments to the RGV Thoroughfare Plan until December 17, 2021. Please keep in mind that all Thoroughfare Plan Amendments must be accompanied by a Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Form and Approved Resolution or Ordinance from the Jurisdictions Governing Body. All submittals should be processed using the form on this link: [Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Form](#)

Background: The RGV MPO performs a yearly Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Process. Where planning partners throughout the region are asked to compare their jurisdiction's Right of Way (ROW) data with the [RGV MPOs UMAP Interactive Map](#) Thoroughfare Plan Data and provide any amendments to the data reflected. The 2020 RGV Amendments Thoroughfare Plan was presented and approved on April 13, 2021, by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court. Thoroughfare Plan received were solely from Hidalgo County Commissioner Precincts 1 and 4.

2.7 Discussion and Presentation on Resiliency 101

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Javier Dominquez, Planner I**

Summary: **Resiliency Update**

Staff hosted the first Kick-Off Meeting on September 29, 2021, VIA Teams. The goals were to gather Key Stakeholders and information for the formation of a Resiliency Sub-Committee and a Region Wide Plan that will be updated every two (2) years. The Tentative deadline for this Draft Plan is one (1) year from now.

Background: The first Resiliency Meeting was held September 29, 2021, with 21 participants from across the Region, where discussion took place regarding the current plans, timeline, and projects. Invited guest shared their projects to ensure the Region is on the same page. Staff sent out a survey and gathered the results from the attendees to formulate our next steps. We would like to invite both Hidalgo and Cameron RMA's; as well as key Stakeholders from Starr County at our next Resiliency Meeting.

IV. RGVMPPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UPDATES

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO

Item Summary: Financial Update

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: Maribel Contreras

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 Policy Board is scheduled for **1:30 pm, date pending.**