# 4. MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022, 9:30 A.M., ZOOM ONLINE MEETING

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Loyd Smith, called the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Committee members and staff introduced themselves. A list of Committee representatives and alternates attending the meeting is included with these minutes as Attachment 1. There were 31 members in attendance; 22 are required for a quorum.

The meeting agenda and materials are available on the TAC website at: <a href="http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-agendas-and-minutes.aspx">http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-agendas-and-minutes.aspx</a>.

In addition, the livestream recording is available at: <a href="http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-livestream-archive.aspx">http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-livestream-archive.aspx</a>.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No written public comments were received.

To hear public comments made at the meeting, please click on the link below. https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/3/

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Smith entertained a motion for approval of the minutes for the November 9, 2022, meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Bruce Mann. The second motion for approval was made by Mr. Christopher Sims. The Committee voted and the motion carried. The minutes were approved.

A link to the audio recording is available at: <a href="https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/4/">https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/4/</a>.

# AMENDMENTS TO THE 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)

Mr. Jim Dickinson presented on the amendments to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). Staff sought TAC Recommendation for TPC of Resolution No. 2022-41, which included the amendments below. Staff also provided a chart of the proposed amendments to the TIP summarized by funding category which can be found in the December 7, 2022 TAC Packet.

#### **CURRENT SITUATION**

- A summary of the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP are included below for the Committee's review.
- Add Right-of-Way ('R') as an authorized phase to the TxDOT Houston District SH 99 Segment B-1 construction project in Galveston County (MPO ID 283/CSJ 3510-01-001) with federal funding per the new TxDOT Right of Way Division policy. (+\$25.5M; Total Cost: \$257.0M)
- Add Right-of-Way ('R') as an authorized phase to the TxDOT Houston District FM 2100 widening project (MPO ID 290/CSJ 1062-02-011) with federal funding per the new TxDOT Right of Way Division policy. (+\$11.9M; Total Cost: \$42.9M)
- Add Right-of-Way ('R') as an authorized phase to the TxDOT Houston District SH 35 widening project in Brazoria County (MPO ID 18027/CSJ 0178-02-092) with federal funding per the new TxDOT Right of Way Division policy. (+\$2.0M; Total Cost: \$39.4M)

- Add Right-of-Way ('R') as an authorized phase to the TxDOT Houston District IH 45 widening project in Montgomery County (MPO ID 18028/CSJ 0110-04-205) with federal funding per the new TxDOT Right of Way Division policy. (+\$6.8M; Total Cost: \$21.7M)
- Add federal Right-of-Way ('R') funding to the Fort Bend County Toll Road Authority SH 99 direct connector construction project at FM 1093 (MPO ID 11378/CSJ 3510-04-058) per the new TxDOT Right of Way Division policy. (+\$2.0M; Total Cost: \$80.8M)
- Increase the Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) funding of the Fort Bend County wireless traffic signal communication construction project (MPO ID 17062/CSJ 0912-34-192) and confirm its CMAQ eligibility by updating the project description specifying that it is a new installation. (+\$2.50M; Total Cost: \$9.3M)
- Increase the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding of the City of League City Landing Boulevard/NASA Road 1 Bypass construction project (MPO ID 17080/CSJ 0912-00-519) to cover new estimates which include higher units costs for labor and material caused by inflation. (+\$14.4M; Total Cost: \$63.8M)
- Delay the Fort Bend County funded Beechnut Street widening project (MPO ID 972/CSJ N/A) from FY 2023 to FY 2028 due to a change in funding priorities. (Total Cost: \$6.2M)
- Delay the Fort Bend County funded Harlem Road widening project (MPO ID 12622/CSJ N/A) from FY 2023 to FY 2024 and reduce its funding by \$13.3M as a result of a new estimate. (Total Cost: \$11.2M)
- Delay the City of Pearland Mykawa Road widening projects (MPO IDs 7602, 17082/CSJs 0912-72-564, 0912-31-319) from FY 2023 to FY 2024 due to allow for the re-evaluation of environment documents. (Total Cost: \$41.9M)
- Delay the City of Sugar Land funded University Boulevard widening project (MPO ID 11196/N/A) from FY 2023 to FY 2024 to allow for finalization of funding. (Total Cost: \$2.5M)
- Delay the Brazoria County funded CR 220 widening project (MPO ID 15315/CSJ N/A) from FY 2023 to FY 2028 in the 10Y due to a change in funding priorities. (Total Cost: \$8.2M)
- Delay the CMAQ funded Houston-Galveston Area Council Ridematching/Travel Demand Management software development project (MPO ID 17138/CSJ 0912-00-566) from FY 2023 to FY 2026 to allow time to coordinate with TxDOT on their ConnectSmart software development project. (Total Cost: \$2.5M)
- Change the sponsor of two City of Galveston funded, port-related, projects (MPO IDs 7566, 15492/CSJs N/A) to the Port of Galveston at the City's request. (\$24.9M)
- Reprogram the Gulf Coast Transit District's FY 2013 to FY 2020 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307, Urban Area Formula, Program of Projects in FY 2023 by cancelling seventeen (17) projects (MPO IDs 11740, 14776, 11761, 18810, 14779, 18822, 18823, 18824, 18825, 11744, 18813, 16361, 16362, 18826, 18827, 18828 and 18829) and programming two new transit operating expenditure projects (MPO IDs 18881 and 18882) for the Texas City/La Marque and Lake Jackson/Angleton Urbanized Areas.

A motion was made by Mr. Mike Wilson and a second motion for approval was made by Mr. Michael Shannon. The Committee voted and the motion carried.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at: <a href="https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/5/https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11092022-816/5/">https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/5/https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11092022-816/5/</a>.

### UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM NEW GRANT SUPPORT TASK

Mr. Craig Raborn presented on the Unified Planning Work Program New Grant Support Task. The 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) describes the regional transportation plans and programs, and the transportation-related air quality planning activities that will be undertaken during the fiscal years 2022 and 2023. The current UPWP was adopted by the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) on August 27,2021. Staff proposed a UPWP grant-writing support program for discussion. The potential program would focus on providing grant-writing support to local agencies interested in seeking these discretionary grants, and to the H-GAC Transportation department for pursuing region-wide grant opportunities.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at: https://hgac.swagit.com/play/12082022-552/6/.

#### **GULF COAST RAIL DISTRICT UPDATE**

Ms. Katherine Parker gave a brief update on the Gulf Coast Rail District. MPO Staff have been participating in initial discussions to form a conceptual group of stakeholders to coordinate and prioritize regional freight infrastructure to seek grant funding opportunities. The group consists of interested parties from the region including the Gulf Coast Rail District, TxDOT, the City of Houston, Harris County, Port of Houston, METRO, interested parties from the private sector, and the Class I railroad companies. This group is not finite and seeks additional freight-focused participation in recognition of the region's growing urgency in capacity needs, including rail. For further details on this update, please click on the link below.

For Information Only. No action needed.

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### PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS DISCUSSION

Mr. Craig Raborn gave a brief update on the Project Selection Process discussion. Staff conducted a Joint TPC/TIP Subcommittee Workshop and Mr. Raborn reviewed the following items for the Committees to discuss: Process Overview, Investment Categories, Funding Instructions, Initial Investment Categories, Timeline, Selection Process Step-by-Step, and Scoring and Criteria. For further details on this discussion, please click on the link below.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at: <a href="https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11092022-816/9/">https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11092022-816/9/</a>.

#### PLANNING ACTIVITIES

A. Future Amendments to the 2023-2026 TIP and 2045 RTP

Mr. Jim Dickinson provided a brief overview of Future Amendments to the 2023-2026 TIP and 2045 RTP. For a summary of the Future Amendments, please view December 7, 2022 TAC Packet, or click on the link below.

For Information Only. No action needed.

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NNOUNCEMENTS  Chairman Smith noted the following meetings and events with some updates:						
Event	Date	Time	Location			
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Subcommittee Meeting	December 7	1:30 p.m.	Virtual			
Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Subcommittee Meeting	December 21	1:30 p.m.	Virtual			
Transportation Policy Council (TPC) Meeting	December 16	9:30 a.m.	Hybrid			
Transportation Safety Committee (TSC) Meeting	December 27	1:30 p.m.	Virtual			
Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Subcommittee Meeting	January 11	1:30 p.m.	Virtual			
Regional Transit Coordination Subcommittee (RTCS)	January 12	9:30 a.m.	Virtual			
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting	January 18	9:30 a.m.	Hybrid			
Pedestrian Bicyclist Subcommittee	January 19	9:30 a.m.	Virtual			

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting of the TAC at 11:36 a.m.

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> 1st Vice Chair Transportation Advisory Committee

#### ATTACHMENT 1

# TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING ATTENDANCE (Roll Call)

December 7, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

#### NOTES:

- 1. Attendance is marked with "X" in the corresponding column for the Member and/or Alternate.
- 2. Where both the Member and Alternate are present, the Alternate is marked with an asterisk (\*) after the "X" to indicate that this person does not count toward quorum or votes for this meeting.

<u>Member</u>	<b>Present</b>	Representing	<b>Alternate</b>	<b>Present</b>
<u>Chair</u>				
Loyd Smith, P.E.	<u>X</u>	Harris County	Brannan Hicks	
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Chair				
Veronica Chapa Gorczynski	X	Active Transportation	Ana Ramirez-Huerta	X*
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair				
Morad Kabiri, P.E.	X	Smaller Cities	Jildardo Arias	
Michael Medwedeff		Smaller Cities	Dan Johnson	
Timothy Magee		Smaller Cities	Robert Reynolds	
Perri D'Armond	X	Transit	Pamela LeBrane	X*
Catherine McCreight	X	Transit	Ken Fickes	X*
Ruthanne Haut		Transit	Todd Stephens	
Carl Woodward	X	Environmental	Craig Maske	
Katherine Parker	X	Environmental	Dr. Carol Lewis	X*
David Fields	X	Planning	Jennifer Ostlind, AICP	X*
David Wurdlow		Planning	Faustino Benavidez,	
	<u>X</u>		P.E.	
Lisa Kocich-Meyer		Planning	Jessie Li, Ph.D., P.E.	
Marlisa Briggs	X	Business Interests	Vacant	
Elijah Williams	X	<b>Business Interests</b>	Amy Skicki	
Jonathan Brooks	X	Citizens Interests	Dexter Handy	X*
Andrea French		Citizens Interests	Sherry Weesner, P.E.,	
	X		CPM	X*
Bruce Mann	X	Port of Houston	Rohit Saxena	
Michael Wilson	X	Port Freeport	Jason Miura	
Heather Jinkins Cantu	X	Toll Road	Kate Lanzarone	
Jimmy Thompson		Toll Road	(Vacant)	
Joe Cutrufo	X	Active Transportation	Lisa Graiff	
Bill Zrioka	X	Airport	Beth Rosenbaum	-
Rick Guerrero		Regional Planning	Onyinye Akujuo	X
Clint Harbert	X	METRO	Alan Clark	X

<u>Member</u>	<b>Present</b>	Representing	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Present</u>
James W. Koch, P.E.	X	<b>TxDOT-Houston District</b>	Vacant	
Adam Jack, P.E.		TxDOT-Beaumont District	Scott Ayres, P.E.	X
Karen McKinnon, P.E.		Brazoria County	Trey Haskins	
Cory Taylor		Chambers County	Natalie G. Lopez	X
Stacy Slawinski, P.E.		Fort Bend County	Rick J. Staigle, P.E.	
Michael Shannon, P.E.	X	Galveston County	Nancy Baher, P.E.	
David Douglas	X	Liberty County	Hon. Jay Knight	
Jeff Johnson, P.E.	X	Montgomery County	Brian Clark, P.E.	
Yancy Scott, P.E.	X	Waller County	Jared Chen, P.E., PMP	
Frank Simoneaux, P.E.		City of Baytown	Martin Scribner	
Rafael Carrasquillo, P.E.		City of Conroe	Chris Bogert, P.E.	
Robert Winiecke, P.E.,		•	_	
CFM	X	City of Galveston	Brandon Cook	
Veronica O. Davis, P.E.	X	City of Houston	Fabio Capillo	
Christopher Sims	X	City of League City	Council Member John	
			Bowen	
Todd Hoover		City of Missouri City	Shashi Kumar	X
Council Member Cary Bass		City of Pasadena	Dan Pennington	
Trent Epperson		City of Pearland	Robert Upton, P.E.	
Monique Johnson	X	City of Sugar Land	Rick Ramirez, P.E.	
Kim Golden, P.E.		City of Texas City	Jack Haralson, P.E.	
	44 31 22	Total Voting Membership Total Voting Membership Present Required for Quorum		
Ex Officio: Roger E. Rees		Port of Galveston		