

5. MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA

DATE: Friday, May 20, 2022
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: 3555 Timmons Lane, Conference Room B, Houston, Texas 77027 and Video Conference

The presiding officer, Chair David Robinson called the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) to order at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Chuck Wemple, H-GAC, announced that Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC, was leaving H-GAC and today would be his last day calling roll for the Transportation Policy Council. Mr. Mandapaka accepted a position with Harris County. Mr. Wemple expressed his appreciation for his friendship and leadership during a time of transition in the Transportation Department and recognized Mr. Mandapaka with a new award from the Houston-Galveston Area Council for his service to the region. Mr. Wemple wished him well in the future. Mr. Mandapaka thanked the Council for the opportunity to work with the leadership of Chuck, H-GAC and the TPC and the Council has been instrumental in shaping the policy, programs and projects for this region. Mr. Mandapaka said he will continue to collaborate with the TPC in his new position in the future.

ITEM 1. CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Mr. Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC conducted the Roll Call of the TPC membership. Fourteen (14) members comprise a quorum. A quorum was declared present and recorded on the Roll Call, which is included with these Minutes as Attachment 1.

ITEM 2. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Robinson acknowledged that TxDOT Commissioner Laura Ryan was in attendance and welcomed her. Chair Robinson also called on Mr. Varuna Singh, TxDOT who acknowledged the passing of Mr. Andy Mao, TxDOT Planning Director. Mr. Singh said throughout Andy's 40-year career in transportation planning and engineering operations, Andy had distinguished himself as a pioneer in the private sector with Harris County and TxDOT. Mr. Singh thanked the Transportation Advisory Council for recognizing Mr. Mao for his significant contributions to the region and at the national level and concluded by saying they will miss Andy and continue his passion for delivering a safe multi-modal transportation network.

The presentation, comments, questions and discussion under this item are included in the meeting recording at this [LINK](#)

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Patrick Mandapaka began the presentation by informing the Council and the public that Spanish translation was available to the public and introduced the Spanish translator Lourdes McIntyre who provided instructions to make public comment by video conference in Spanish. Mr. Mandapaka also introduced American Sign Language Interpreters Sheri Frost and Amanda Malvese and provided instructions on how to

view them on video conference. Mr. Mandapaka said written comments were received by 5:00 p.m. on May 19, 2022. Mr. Mandapaka called on Ms. Neely Kim, H-GAC to read the comments.

Chairman Robinson made a statement to TPC members and others that he was the presiding officer at a meeting of the Transportation Policy Council being held in-person or by a video conference on Friday, May 20, 2022 and he was physically present at 3555 Timmons Lane, Houston, Texas 77027. Chairman Robinson attested that the meeting was open and accessible to members of the public. Chairman Robinson reminded each member of the governing body participating in via Zoom they must be visible and audible to be considered a participant in this meeting, and they must enable their video and microphone when responding to a roll call, voting on action items and asking questions.

Chairman Robinson invited members of the public to make comments in person. Several comments were made in person. Members of the public were invited to make comments by video conference.

The public comments submitted by May 19, 2022 and can be read at this [LINK](#)

The public comments made in person, or made by video conference can be heard at this [LINK](#)

ITEM 4. DECLARE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

TPC Chair Robinson asked members of the Council to Declare Conflicts of Interest on any items on the agenda. No member declared a conflict of interest at the meeting of May 20, 2022.

The public comments made in person and by videoconference during the meeting are included in the meeting recording at this [LINK](#)

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2022 MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

Secretary Nancy Arnold presented the April 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes summary to the Council. Ms. Arnold asked the Council for any modifications or corrections as presented. There were no modifications or corrections.

A motion was made by Nancy Arnold and seconded by Chuck Wemple. The Council voted and approved the minutes summary.

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ITEM 6. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE SERVICE OF COMMISSIONER KENNETH CLARK, PATRICK MANDAPAKA, H-GAC

Chairman Robinson regrettably acknowledged the passing of Past Chair-Commissioner Ken Clark and he presented a Resolution to the Council recognizing and honoring his service. Chairman Robinson read the Resolution to the Council and asked the Council to observe a moment of silence.

A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and seconded by 1st Vice Chair Justin Beckendorff. A comment period occurred during this time for members to reflect upon Commissioner Clark's leadership and service to Galveston County and to the region.

The Council voted and unanimously approved Resolution 2022-17.

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ITEM 7. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS 2022-18 AND 2022-19, ADAM BECKOM, H-GAC

Mr. Beckom told the Council that this item would not have TDC's programmed with this Item. The TDC resolution that was referenced in the agenda will be moved to Future Amendments and brought back next month.

Mr. Beckom continued his presentation on Amendments to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The amendments are listed below:

- Rescope the City of League City Bicycle Loop bike lane construction project (MPO 17118/CSJ 0912-73-215/SCSJ 5000-00-916) to reflect an off-road, side path location along the south side of SH 96, to provide safer, high comfort, off street bicycle and pedestrian facility which will require an additional \$489,800 of Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA). Project will also be advanced from FY 2024 to FY 2023. (+\$0.5M, Total Cost: \$3.5M)
- Change the sponsor of the IH 45/SH 242 direct connector construction project (MPO ID 18028/CSJ 0110-04-205) from TxDOT Houston District to Montgomery County and program in FY 2023 of the 2021-2024 TIP with \$14.9M of local funding project per the agreement between TxDOT and the County. (Total Cost: \$14.9M)

Mr. Beckom requested approval for TPC Resolution No. 2022-18. A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and seconded by Varuna Singh. The Council voted and approved Resolution No. 2022-18.

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ITEM 8. APPROVAL OF THE 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2022-20, ADAM BECKOM, H-GAC

Mr. Adam Beckom, H-GAC made a presentation on the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Beckom said the Development of the 2023-2026 TIP consisted of reviewing all active projects with partners and making needed revisions to existing projects scopes and schedules. Developed a revised project listing, financially constrain the projects listing based on FY 22 UTP allocations and completed the consistency review for the Regional Transportation Plan and Air Quality Conformity. Mr. Beckom provided a description of major draft projects listed, categories, funding sources and a timeline of anticipated approval.

The public comment period for the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program began on March 4, 2022 and closed on April 4, 2022. H-GAC held two online public meetings on the draft 2023-2026 TIP on March 22, 2022. A total of 33 public comments were received. All public comments can be viewed at the above website. [2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program | Houston-Galveston Area Council \(H-GAC\)](#)

Mr. Beckom asked for Approval of TPC Resolution No. 2022-20. A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and seconded by Mayor Kevin Cole. The Council voted and approved TPC Resolution No. 2022-20.

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ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP, PATRICK MANDAPAKA, H-GAC

Mr. Patrick Mandapaka, H-GAC made a presentation on the approval of the Regional Safety Task Force Membership. The goal of the task force is to examine problems and solutions likely to work. It will also identify new and comprehensive approaches to transportation safety to achieve change. Some of the topics they will look at will cover safety performance measures and targets, Safe systems approach, new and aggressive strategies, potential for dedicated transportation safety program funding and other topics as needed. Mr. Mandapaka provided a list of the following members for approval:

Commissioner Billy Combs Chambers County	Bruce Mann Port of Houston	Robert Benz Texas Transportation Institute
David Fields City of Houston	Joe Cutrufo Bike Houston	Rick Staigle Fort Bend County
Trent Epperson City of Pearland	Jonathan Brooks LINK Houston	TBD Insurance Industry
Monique Johnson City of Sugarland	Noah Brudnick Together for Safer Roads	TBD Medical Examiner
Brannan Hicks Harris County	Lt. Cedrick Collier HCSO	TBD Texas DPS
James Koch TxDOT	Meagan Coughlin H-GAC	TBD Engineering Consultant
Joshua Zuber AAA Texas	Heather Jenkins HCTRA	Others as needed
Bryan Carroll METRO	Ruthanne Haut The Woodlands Township	H-GAC Staff Support

Mr. Mandapaka requested approval of the Regional Transportation Safety Task Force. A motion was made by Nancy Arnold. Chairman Robinson requested an amendment to Item 9 and stated that METRO requested that Bryan Carroll be replaced by Santiago Osorio, Executive Vice President for Safety. A motion was made to substitute amendment by Mayor Kevin Cole and seconded by Mayor Joe Zimmerman. The

Council voted and approved the substitute motion to replace Bryan Carroll, METRO with Santiago Osorio, METRO.

A motion was made by 1st Vice Chair Justin Beckendorff to approve the Item as amended and seconded by Nancy Arnold. The Council voted and approved the item unanimously.

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ITEM 10. TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT (TAM) PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND TARGETS, JAMILA OWENS, H-GAC

Ms. Jamila Owens, H-GAC, presented on TAM Performance Measures and Targets. Ms. Owens let the Council know that the purpose of TAM was to ensure a state of good repair. Each transit agency has a Transit Asset Management Plan with agency targets and the MPO collected that information to set regional targets. H-GAC sets the regional targets biennially for asset management using the information in each agency's TAM plans. Ms. Owens described each category, performance targets, actual performance results and future proposed targets, transit investments and a timeline for approval.

Ms. Owens requested TPC approval of the Transit Asset Management (TAM) Performance Measures and Targets. A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and seconded by 1st Vice Chair Justin Beckendorff. The Council voted and approved the item unanimously.

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ITEM 11. DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2045 UPDATE, MIKE BURNS, H-GAC.

Mr. Mike Burns gave an update on Development of the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a strategy that targets federal, state, and local funding resources to use towards transportation investments for the region and must be updated every four (4) years per federal statute. Mr. Burns continued his update with a very detailed description of data regarding Household Population and Jobs, Commute Characteristics and Flows, Transportation challenges now and in 2045. Mr. Burns also described 2045 RTP Projects and the Public Engagement Strategy. Mr. Burns concluded his presentation with a timeline for approval.

A brief comment period occurred at the end of this presentation by Dr. Carol Lewis.

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ITEM 12. PLANNING ACTIVITIES

A. Future Amendment to the 2023-2024 TIP AND 2045 RTP

Mr. Adam Beckom, H-GAC presented on Future Amendments to the 2023-2024 TIP and 2045 RTP. Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

B. Hurricane Preparedness Awareness Campaign

Mr. David Fink gave an update on the Hurricane Preparedness Awareness Campaign. In collaboration with our state and local jurisdictions, the Houston-Galveston Area Council is continuing its annual Hurricane Preparedness Awareness Campaign. The goal of the outreach campaign is to increase awareness about hurricane evacuation planning, especially for those residents living in area that are subject to storm surge.

C. Summary of Transportation Planning Activities

Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

D. H-GAC Board of Directors Report

The H-GAC Board of Directors meeting was held on May 17, 2022. Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

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For Information Only. No action needed.

ITEM 13. ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJORNMENT

All meetings below are conducted by Teleconference (TBD).

- Next TAC Meeting- June 15, 2022, 9:30 a.m. (Hybrid)
- Greater Houston Freight Committee Meeting, June 23, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
- Next TPC Meeting – June 24, 2022, 9:30 a.m. (Hybrid)
- Transportation Safety Committee Meeting- June 28, 2022, 1:30 p.m. (In-person)
- RTP Public Meetings (see RTP Public Meeting flyer under item 11)
- Regional Air Quality Planning Advisory Committee (RAQPAC) Meeting – June 20, 2022, 10:00 a.m. (Virtual)

Chairman Robinson adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

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For Information Only. No action needed.



Hon. Nancy Arnold, Secretary
Transportation Policy Council

Nancy Arnold

E-signed 2022-06-27 10:47AM CDT
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Attachment 1
 TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL (TPC)
 FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON
 TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT AREA
May 20, 2022

ROLL

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>VOTING MEMBER/ALTERNATE</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Baytown, City of	_____ Honorable Brandon Capetillo Mayor _____ Honorable Heather Betancourth – Alternate	City of Baytown
Conroe, City of	_____ Raymond McDonald Mayor Pro Tem _____ Thomas Woolley – Alternate	City of Conroe
Galveston, City of	_____ Honorable David Collins Council Member _____ Hon. John Paul Listowski - Alternate	City of Galveston
Houston, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable David W. Robinson Council Member – Chairman _____ Honorable Abbie Kamin- Alternate	City of Houston
Houston, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Carolyn Evans-Shabazz Council Member _____ Honorable Sallie Alcorn - Alternate	City of Houston
Houston, City of	<u> X </u> Carol Haddock, P.E. Director, Houston Public Works _____ Veronica O. Davis, P.E. – Alternate	City of Houston
League City, City of	<u> x </u> Honorable Larry Millican Council Member, Position 3 <u> X* </u> Honorable John Bowen - Alternate	City of League City
Missouri City, City of	<u> X </u> Shashi Kumar, P.E.. Director of Public Works _____ Todd Hoover – Alternate	City of Missouri City
Pasadena, City of	_____ Honorable Cary Bass Council Member _____ Dan Pennington-Alternate	City of Pasadena

Agenda Item 5
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<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>VOTING MEMBER/ALTERNATE</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Pearland, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Kevin Cole Mayor <u> </u> Mayor Emeritus Tom Reid-Alternate	City of Pearland
Sugar Land, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Joe Zimmerman Mayor <u> </u> Honorable Jennifer Lane – Alternate	City of Sugar Land
Texas City, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Dedrick Johnson Mayor <u> </u> Jon Branson. - Alternate	City of Texas City
Waller, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Nancy Arnold Council Member, Secretary	Smaller Cities, Harris County
Vacant	<u> X* </u> Honorable Sally Branson-Alternate	
Brazoria County	<u> </u> Honorable Matt Hanks, JD, P.E. County Engineer <u> </u> Honorable David Linder – Alternate	Brazoria County
Chambers County	<u> </u> Honorable Billy Combs County Commissioner, Pct 4 <u> </u> Cory Taylor, P.E. - Alternate	Chambers County
Fort Bend County	<u> X </u> Honorable Grady Prestage County Commissioner, 2nd Vice Chair <u> </u> Stacy Slawinski, P.E. – Alternate	Fort Bend County
Galveston County	<u> </u> Honorable Kenneth Clark County Commissioner – Past Chair <u> X </u> Honorable Joe Giusti– Alternate	Galveston County
Harris County	<u> </u> Honorable Lina Hidalgo County Judge <u> </u> Robert Treviño, P.E. – Alternate	Harris County
Harris County	<u> </u> Honorable Adrian Garcia County Commissioner, Pct. 2 <u> </u> Milton Rahman, P.E. – Alternate	Harris County
Liberty County	<u> </u> David Douglas Engineering Administrator <u> </u> Honorable Jay Knight - Alternate	Liberty County

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>VOTING MEMBER/ALTERNATE</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Montgomery County	_____ Honorable Mark Keough County Judge _____ Commissioner, James Metts – Alternate	Montgomery County
Waller County	<u> X </u> Honorable Justin Beckendorff County Commissioner – 1st Vice Chair _____ Commissioner, Walter Smith - Alternate	Waller County
Houston Metropolitan Transit Authority	<u> X </u> Sanjay Ramabhadran METRO Chair _____ Thomas Lambert	METRO
Houston-Galveston Area Council At Large	<u> X </u> Chuck Wemple Executive Director _____ Jeff Taebel – Alternate	H-GAC
TxDOT	_____ Eliza Paul, P. E. District Engineer <u> X </u> Varuna Singh, P.E.– Alternate	TxDOT Houston District
TxDOT	<u> X </u> Martin Gonzalez, P.E. District Engineer _____ Adam Jack, P.E. – Alternate	TxDOT Beaumont District
Port Freeport	_____ Phyllis Saathoff Executive Director, Port Freeport _____ Roger Guenther, Port Houston - Alternate	Other Transportation Interests
Gulf Coast Rail District	<u> X </u> Dr. Carol Lewis Chairman, GCRD _____ Jeff Ross - Alternate	Gulf Coast Rail District
	<u> 28 </u> Total Voting Membership	
	<u> 25 </u> Voting Membership Present	
	<u> 14 </u> Required Quorum	

Agenda Item 5
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<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Texas State Senate	<u> </u> Hon. Carol Alvarado	8-County Region
Freight Rail Interests	<u> </u> Clint Schelbitzki	Union Pacific
Freight Rail Interests	<u> X </u> Hugh McCulley	BNSF Railway
Texas State Legislator	<u> </u> Hon. Dennis Paul	8-County Region
Texas State Legislator	<u> X </u> Hon. Ed Thompson	8-County Region
Wharton County	<u> X </u> Hon. Phillip Spenrath County Judge	Wharton County