

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

DATE: Friday, February 4, 2022

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: 3555 Timmons Lane, Conference Room B, Houston, Texas 77027 and Video Conference

The presiding officer called the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) to order at 1:30 p.m. and made a statement to TPC members and others that this meeting was a special called meeting of the Transportation Policy Council being held in-person or by a video conference on Friday, February 4, 2022. First Vice Chair Robinson stated that he was the presiding officer of the board and was physically present at 3555 Timmons Lane, Houston, Texas 77027. First Vice Chair Robinson attested that the meeting was open and accessible to members of the public. First Vice Chair 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. First Vice Chair Robinson let the members know that they must enable their video and microphone when responding to a roll call, voting on action items and asking questions. First Vice Chair Robinson let all members know that members who called into the meeting should hang up and log back in using a device with a camera to participate in the meeting.

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

First Vice Chair Robinson invited introductions from Council members and staff.

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 providing instructions on making public comments and introducing the Spanish and American Sign Language Interpreters. Mr. Mandapaka said there were written public comments provided by 5:00 p.m. on February 3, 2022 and asked H-GAC staff provide a brief overview of the written comments.

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

ITEM 4. DECLARE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

First Vice Chair Robinson asked members of the Council to Declare Conflicts of Interest. No member declared a conflict of interest at the meeting of February 4, 2022.

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2021 MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

Secretary Grady Prestage presented the December 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes summary to the Council. Secretary Prestage asked the Council for any modifications or corrections as presented. There were no modifications or corrections.

A motion was made by Commissioner Grady Prestage and seconded by Mayor Joe Zimmerman. The Council voted and approved the minutes summary.

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

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF 2022 TPC NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE, CHAIR, MAYOR JOE ZIMMERMAN

The TPC Nominating Committee Chair, Mayor Joe Zimmerman presented to the Council that the 2022 TPC Nominating Committee met on January 24, 2022 to consider the nominees for TPC Officers, Other Transportations Interests, and TAC At-Large positions. Mayor Zimmerman also described the process to develop the recommendations to Council. Mayor Zimmerman presented and requested approval of the following slate for the TPC Officers, TPC Other Transportation Interests, and the TAC At-Large positions:

2022 TPC Officers

Position	Member	Representing
Chair	David Robinson	City of Houston
1st Vice Chair	Justin Beckendorff	Waller County
2nd Vice Chair	Grady Prestage	Fort Bend County
Secretary	Nancy Arnold	Smaller Cities
Past-Chair	Kenneth Clark	Galveston County

A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and was seconded by Council Member Sallie Alcorn. The Council voted on the slate for the 2022 TPC Officers and the slate was approved.

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2022 TPC Other Transportation Interests Position

Position	Primary	Organization	Alternate	Organization
Other Transportation Interests	Phyllis Saathoff	Port Freeport	Roger Guenther	Port Houston

A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and was seconded by Council Member Sallie Alcorn. The Council voted on the slate for the 2022 TPC Other Transportation Interests and the slate was approved.

2022 TAC At-Large Positions

Mayor Joe Zimmerman presented the following slate for the TAC At-Large positions and the Council voted on them separately:

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
2 Positions	ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION	Joe Cutrufo	Lisa Graiff
	ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION	Veronica Chapa-Gorczyński	Ana Ramirez Heurta

A motion was made by Council Member Sallie Alcorn and seconded by Council Member Sally Branson. The Council voted and the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Active Transportation was approved.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
1 Position	AIRPORTS	Bill Zroika	Beth Rosenbaum

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Mayor Brandon Capetillo. The Council voted and the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Airports was approved.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
2 Positions	BUSINESS INTERESTS	Elijah J. Williams	Amy Skicki
	BUSINESS INTERESTS	Marlissa Briggs	Vacant

A motion was made by Carol Haddock and seconded by Council Member Sally Branson. The Council voted and the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Business Interests was approved.

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Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
3 Positions	CITIES OF LESS THAN 50,000	Timothy Magee	Robert Reynolds
	CITIES OF LESS THAN 50,000	Morad Kabiri	Jildardo Arias
	CITIES OF LESS THAN 50,000	Michael Medwedeff, CFM	Dan Johnson

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Council Member Sallie Alcorn. The Council voted and the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Cities of less than 50,000 was approved.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
2 Positions	CITIZEN INTERESTS	Jonathan Brooks	Dexter Handy
	CITIZEN INTERESTS	Andrea French	Sherry Weesner

A motion was made Phyllis Saathoff and seconded by Council Member Larry Millican. The Council voted and the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Citizen Interests was approved.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
2 Positions	ENVIROMENTAL	Katherine Parker	Dr. Carol Lewis
	ENVIROMENTAL	Carl Woodard	Craig Maske

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Council Member Sallie Alcorn. The Council voted and approved the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for the Environmental category.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
3 Positions	PLANNING	David Wurdlow	Faustino Benavidez
	PLANNING	David Fields	Jennifer Ostlind
	PLANNING	Lisa Kocich-Meyer	Jessie Li

Ms. Eliza Paul requested to submit a substitute recommendation for one of the positions listed on this slate. A discussion occurred among the Council members regarding this substitution.

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A motion was made by Council Member Sallie Alcorn and seconded by Mayor Joe Zimmerman to approve the slate as presented. A roll call vote was taken with 14 Yes votes and 8 No votes. The Council approved the slate as presented.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
1 Positions	PORTS	Mike Wilson	Jason Miura

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Mayor Joe Zimmerman. The Council voted and approved the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Ports.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
3 Positions	PUBLIC TRANSIT	Perri D'Armond	Pamela LeBrane
	PUBLIC TRANSIT	Ruthanne Haut	Todd Stephens
	PUBLIC TRANSIT	Catherine McCreight	Vacant

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Council Member David Robinson. Eliza Paul submitted a nomination for one of the vacant primary Public Transit positions. The Council voted and approved the revised 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Public Transit.

Number of Positions	Position	Primary	Alternate
2 Positions	TOLL ROADS	Heather Jinkins Cantu	Kate Lanzarone
	TOLL ROADS	Jimmy Thompson	Vacant

A motion was made by Council Member Sally Branson and seconded by Council Member David Robinson. The Council voted and approved the 2022 TAC At-Large slate for Toll Roads.

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

ITEM 7. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP), JIM DICKINSON, H-GAC

Mr. Jim Dickinson, H-GAC, presented an amendment to the 2021-2024 TIP and 2045 RTP. The amendment is as follows:

- Delay the City of Houston's Fondren Road reconstruction project (MPO ID 17093/CSJ 0912-72-381) from FY 2022 to FY 2024 at TxDOT's request to conform with their 2-year letting schedule. (Total Cost: \$25.5M)

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Mr. Dickinson requested TPC approval of Resolution No. 2022-1.

A motion was made Dr. Carol Lewis and seconded by Mayor Joe Zimmerman. The Council voted and approved Resolution No. 2022-1.

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

ITEM 8. RURAL FUNDING ALLOCATION REQUEST, ADAM BECKOM, H-GAC

Mr. Adam Beckom, H-GAC, presented on the Rural Funding Allocation. Mr. Beckom provided the Council some background on the process for the 2018 Call for Projects and described the concern regarding the geographic equity in the project selection and prioritization process from the TPC Work Group as well as some of the recommendations to address those. Mr. Beckom described maps that illustrated the Urban and Rural Boundaries and described the adjustments that were made. Mr. Beckom described the TAC recommendations and requested approval from the TPC.

A motion was made by Mayor Joe Zimmerman and seconded to table the item to the next TPC meeting, until the detailed selection criteria for this item are developed and reviewed by TAC. The Council voted and approved the motion.

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

ITEM 9. TRANSPORTATION SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND TARGETS UPDATE, DAVID FINK, H-GAC.

Mr. David Fink provided an update about Transportation Safety Performance Measures and Targets. The Federal Highway Administration requires an annual submission of safety performance measure targets by the State Department of Transportation and Metropolitan Planning Organizations. The five federal safety performance measures are listed below:

1. Number of fatalities
2. Number of serious injuries
3. Rate of fatalities (per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled)
4. Rate of serious injuries (per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled)
5. Number of non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries (pedestrians and bicyclist).

Mr. Fink also described tables with Safety Performance Measures and Targets as well as a list of Safety Initiatives implemented by the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

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A question and answer period among the Council members occurred after this presentation.

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For Information Only. No action needed.

ITEM 10. REGIONALLY COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE, SANDY KLANFER, H-GAC

Mr. Sandy Klanfer provided an update on the Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan. As the MPO for the Houston-Galveston region, H-GAC is required to develop and update its Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan (RCTP) every five years. This plan, covering a 13-county region, provides an inventory of transportation assets in public and human service transportation. It also assesses needs, gaps and opportunities for increased efficiencies and provides recommendations for improvements. The update offered recommendations for improving mobility in the region. The recommendations were organized around four key themes that grew out of the analyses done for the RCTP update, and the project's public outreach process that are new to the 2022 plan update.

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ITEM 11. PLANNING ACTIVITIES

A. Administrative Amendments to the 2021-2024 TIP AND 2045 RTP

Mr. Jim Dickinson, H-GAC, provided information on the Administrative modifications to the TIP and RTP. Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

B. Statement of Transportation Needs

Mr. Craig Raborn, H-GAC, provided an update on development of Statement of Transportation needs.

C. Summary of Transportation Planning Activities

A summary of Transportation Planning Activities and described specific MPO activities. Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

A brief question and comment period occurred after the presentation.

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D. H-GAC Board of Directors Report

The H-GAC Board of Directors meeting was held on January 18, 2022. Information was provided to the TPC in the meeting packet.

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ITEM 12 & 13 ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJORNMENT

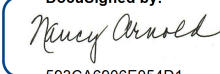
All meetings below are conducted by Teleconference (TBD).

- Next TAC Meeting- February 16, 2022, 9:30 a.m.
- Next TPC Meeting – February 25, 2022, 9:30 a.m. (in-person or videoconference)

Chair David Robinson adjourned the meeting of the TPC at 3:15 p.m.

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Hon. Nancy Arnold, Secretary
Transportation Policy Council

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Attachment 1
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL (TPC)
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ROLL

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>VOTING MEMBER/ALTERNATE</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Baytown, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Brandon Capetillo Mayor <u> </u> Honorable Heather Betancourth – Alternate	City of Baytown
Conroe, City of	<u> </u> Raymond McDonald Mayor Pro Tem <u> </u> Thomas Woolley – Alternate	City of Conroe
Galveston, City of	<u> </u> Honorable David Collins Council Member <u> </u> Hon. John Paul Listowski - Alternate	City of Galveston
Houston, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable David W. Robinson Council Member – 1 st - Vice Chair <u> </u> Honorable Abbie Kamin- Alternate	City of Houston
Houston, City of	<u> </u> Honorable Carolyn Evans-Shabazz Council Member <u> X </u> Honorable Sallie Alcorn - Alternate	City of Houston
Houston, City of	<u> X </u> Carol Haddock, P.E. Director, Houston Public Works <u> </u> Veronica O. Davis, P.E. – Alternate	City of Houston
League City, City of	<u> X </u> Honorable Larry Millican Council Member, Position 3 <u> </u> Honorable Andy Mann - Alternate	City of League City
Missouri City, City of	<u> X </u> Shashi Kumar, P.E.. Director of Public Works <u> </u> Todd Hoover – Alternate	City of Missouri City
Pasadena, City of	<u> </u> Honorable Cary Bass Council Member <u> </u> Dan Pennington-Alternate	City of Pasadena

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

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Montgomery County	_____ Honorable Mark Keough County Judge _____ Commissioner, James Metts – Alternate	Montgomery County
Waller County	<u> X </u> Honorable Justin Beckendorff County Commissioner – 2nd VC _____ Commissioner, Walter Smith - Alternate	Waller County
Houston Metropolitan Transit Authority	_____ Carrin Patman METRO Chair <u> X </u> Thomas Lambert	METRO
Houston-Galveston Area Council At Large	<u> X </u> Chuck Wemple Executive Director _____ Jeff Taebel – Alternate	H-GAC
TxDOT	<u> X </u> Eliza Paul, P. E. District Engineer _____ Varuna Singh, P.E.– Alternate	TxDOT Houston District
TxDOT	_____ Martin Gonzalez, P.E. District Engineer <u> X </u> Adam Jack, P.E. – Alternate	TxDOT Beaumont District
Port of Houston Authority	_____ Roger Guenther Executive Director, Port of Houston <u> X </u> Phyllis Saathoff, Port Freeport - 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> 23 </u> Voting Membership Present	
	<u> 14 </u> Required Quorum	

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NON-VOTING MEMBERS

REPRESENTING

Texas State Senate	<input type="checkbox"/> Hon. Carol Alvarado	8-County Region
Freight Rail Interests	<input type="checkbox"/> Clint Schelbitzki	Union Pacific
Freight Rail Interests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hugh McCulley	BNSF Railway
Texas State Legislator	<input type="checkbox"/> Hon. Dennis Paul	8-County Region
Texas State Legislator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hon. Ed Thompson	8-County Region
Wharton County	<input type="checkbox"/> Hon. Phillip Spenrath County Judge	Wharton County