

**MEETING OF THE RTP SUBCOMMITTEE
HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL
TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS
October 13, 2021
1:30PM
Minutes**

Member Attendance:

Primary-Name	Present	Alternate-Name	Present
Morad Kabiri, Chair	Yes	Robert Upton	Yes
Perri D'Armond, Vice Chair	Yes	Stacy Slawinski	No
Monique Johnson	No	Krystal LaSrape	Yes
Bill Zrioka	Yes	Marcel Allen	No
Andrea French	No	Nikki Knight	Yes
Elijah Williams	No	Elizabeth Whitton	No
Iris Gonzalez	No	Jonathan Brooks	Yes
Adam France	No	Chris Bogert	No
Christopher Sims	No	Hon. Chad Tressler	No
Matt Hanks	No	Karen McKinnon	Yes
David Fields	Yes	Vacant	No
Hon. Jay Knight	No	David Douglas	No
Loyd Smith	No	Bryan Brown	Yes
Nick Woolery	Yes	Frank Simoneaux	No
Yancy Scott	No	Jared Chen	No
Katherine Parker	Yes	Carol Lewis	Yes
Bruce Mann	Yes	Rohit Saxena	No
Rodger Rees	No	Brett Milutin	No
Charles Airiohuodion	Yes	Jeffrey English	Yes
Lisa Collins	Yes	Scott Ayres	Yes
Ken Fickes	Yes	Vernon Chambers	Yes
Kenneth Brown	Yes	Philip Brenner	Yes
John Tyler	No	Dale Hilliard	No

Others Present: Amy Skicki, Andrew Mao, Adam Beckom, Dale (Guest), Andrew DeCandis, Jim Dickinson, Eliza Paul, Carrie Evans, Ben Finley, Shixin Gao, Brandy George, Donte Green, Sandra Holliday, Allie Isbell, Jacqueline Munoz, Susan Jaworski, Sharon Ju, Ayo Jibowu, Catherine Kato, Megan Kennison, Justin Kuzila, Shirley Li, Vishu Lingala, Graciela Lubertino, Jim Mahood, Patrick Mandapaka, Karen Owen, Jamila Owens, Frank Pagliei, Craig Raborn, Cameron Stawicki, Chris Van Slyke, Veronica Waller

Staff Participating:

Mike Burns, Thomas Gray, Veronica Green, Carlene Mullins

1. Call to Order
Chair Morad K called the meeting to order at 1:30PM and conducted roll call to ensure a quorum. Morad K confirmed that a quorum was present.
2. Acceptance of Minutes
Bruce M made a motion to approve, Jonathan B seconded.
The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Discussion of the 2045 RTP Updating Strategy

a. Vision Statement – Review Initial Draft

Mike B described feedback received at the September TAC and TPC meetings on the initial draft vision statement. This included a need to focus on freight and climate change concerns.

Bruce M mentioned that the goals should align with the call for projects evaluation criteria.

b. Stakeholder Outreach Strategy – Update on Outreach

Mike B briefly mentioned that H-GAC is developing a work program for outreach that will include three phases – visioning, prioritization, and plan review.

c. Transportation Assets – Freight Mobility (Veronica Green)

Veronica G presented an overview of freight planning at H-GAC. This included discussion of various freight elements, regional goals related to freight, bottleneck locations, opportunities to expand the freight network, and improving modeling capabilities. Improvements to truck parking opportunities, at-grade rail crossings, and reliability of the freight network were also summarized. Bruce M suggested that the RTP should be flexible to accept freight related improvement projects that are not yet envisioned.

Brian B asked if maintenance, specifically for the freight network, was being considered, and if there was an analysis of cost of maintaining high volume versus low volume corridors.

Veronica G responded that maintenance is a consideration, and that a detailed cost analysis was not specifically part of the Regional Goods Movement Update.

Bruce M suggested that the Greater Houston Freight Committee serve as a resource for recommendations for policy.

4. Subregional Planning Updates

a. Montgomery County Precinct 2 Mobility Study (Carlene Mullins)

Carlene M provided an overview of the study's schedule and process, noting various physical barriers for new road connections and anticipated new developments. There was also a summary of identified issues and strategies to improve safety and congestion, and a summary of next steps. David F suggested incorporation of the High Capacity Transit Task Force recommendations.

b. Liberty County Subregional Study (Thomas Gray)

Thomas G summarized the purpose of the study and described the study area and steering committee members. He reviewed various location and described existing congestion conditions, projected conditions, and possible solutions to delay. Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit recommendations were also summarized, including policy recommendations for development plan review and development of local design standards.

c. Southeast Harris County Subregional Study (Mike Burns)

Mike B summarized the study area, steering committee members, and measurable goals being used for the study. He summarized public comments and existing safety and congestion conditions, including a review of potential solutions to identified issues for safety, accessibility, and improved transit service.

5. Announcements

a. Next TPC Meeting – October 22, 2021 at 9:30AM (Teleconference)

b. Next TAC Meeting – November 10, 2021 at 9:30AM (Teleconference)

c. Next RTP Subcommittee Meeting – November 10, 2021 at 1:30PM (Teleconference)

Morad K mentioned upcoming meetings over the next month.

Charles A mentioned the TxDOT I-10 Corridor Study that recently initiated, which will review bottlenecks and railroad crossings all along the corridor through the state.

6. Adjourn

Morad K asked for any other comments. Hearing none, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 2:44PM.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Burns