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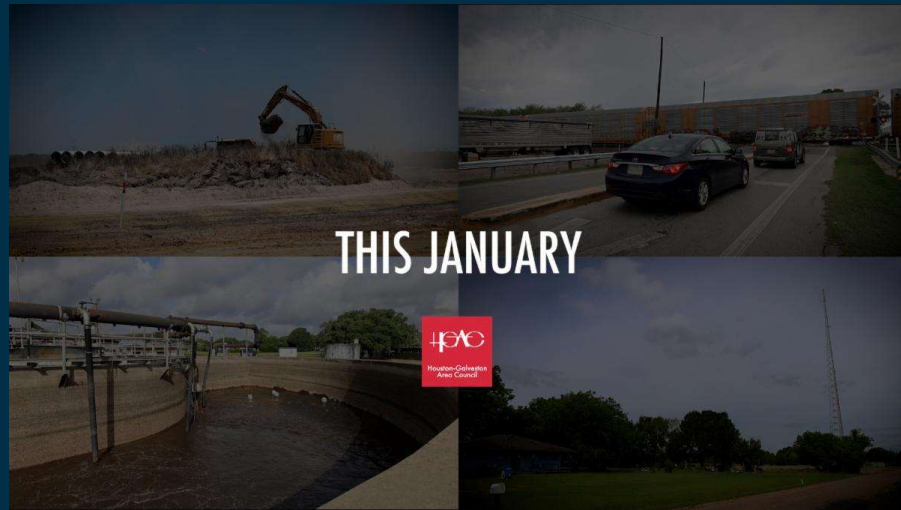


Plan to Attend the 2024 State of the Region

9 a.m., Friday, January 19, 2024
at The Briar Club
2603 Timmons Lane, Houston

[REGISTER NOW >](#)

View the trailer below to learn more about the event.



Welcome H-GAC's Newest Members!



At its December board of directors meeting, H-GAC welcomed five new members - the cities of Ames and Montgomery, Roman Forest, and the Village of Pleak. Pictured above (L to R): Cynthia Jones, H-GAC Intergovernmental Relations manager; Shauntil Cox, Roman Forest court clerk; Stan Donaldson, Montgomery councilmember; Sara Countryman, Montgomery councilmember; Montgomery Mayor Byron Sanford; and Rick Guerrero, H-GAC chief Outreach and Governmental Affairs officer.

Tom Lambert, METRO CEO, Honored by H-GAC



Thomas C. Lambert, METRO CEO, was recognized at December's Transportation Policy Council meeting at the H-GAC board meeting for his 10 years serving as METRO's representative on the council. Lambert's retirement from METRO will be on Dec. 31, 2023, after 45 years of service to the organization.



Climate Pollution Reduction Program

CALL FOR PROJECTS!

If you have a community-scaled idea for reducing greenhouse gas emissions or tackling air pollution within the 13-county Houston-Galveston region, H-GAC invites you to complete our Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program Call for Projects registration form.



<https://bit.ly/CPRG-CallforProjects>

The online application process is open now through 5 p.m. on January 15, 2024.

Local Officials Voted to Represent Cities on H-GAC Board

The Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) is pleased to announce the appointment of new delegates to the 2023 board of directors following the city and independent school district caucus meetings held in November. The board plays a crucial role in leading collaborative efforts to address regional challenges and advance programs that benefit the diverse communities within the H-GAC 13-county region.

Representing the interests of general law cities, Mayor Joe Garcia of Pattison and Councilmember Nancy Arnold of Waller have been elected as voting members of the H-GAC board. Councilmember Teresa Vazquez Evans from Kemah and Mayor Susan Schwartz of Bunker Hill (not pictured) are serving as their alternates. These representatives were elected from H-GAC's General Assembly, which comprises delegates from member general law cities.

In addition, the H-GAC board will be enriched by the participation of voting members from home rule cities, with Mayor Pro Tem Johnnie Simpson, Jr. of Dickinson and Councilmember Ross Gordon of Bellaire stepping into these roles. Mayor Don Davis of Manvel and Mayor Pro Tem Joe Compion of La Marque will serve as their alternates. Like their general law city counterparts, these representatives were elected from H-GAC's General Assembly comprised of delegates from other home rule cities.

HOME RULE CITY CAUCUS



GENERAL LAW CITY CAUCUS



Continuing to represent the interest of our local education system on the board of directors is Board Primary Trustee Rissie Owens, Huntsville ISD, and alternate Jennifer Keys, Alief ISD.

H-GAC looks forward to what's to come and the incredible expertise and outlook they will offer to help shape the future of our region's future leaders and workforce.

The H-GAC board of directors, composed of 37 local elected officials representing 13 counties, 107 cities, and 11 school districts, will oversee collaborative efforts with local governments. The board's focus spans various programs, including transportation planning, rural 9-1-1 services, workforce development, aging and disability resources, and disaster and recovery programs.

2023 Independent School District Caucus



Monthly board meetings, crucial for open dialogue and decision-making, are open to the public. For more information about the H-GAC board of directors, please visit www.h-gac.com/board-of-directors. To access the schedule of upcoming board meetings and other H-GAC events, visit www.h-gac.com/calendar.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

JAN 11



Climate Pollution Reduction Program

PUBLIC MEETING SAVE THE DATE

We look forward to your input!

Attend our public meeting to provide your input on projects and activities to reduce local emissions, improve air quality, and invigorate our region as a great place for all who live within it.

**10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
JANUARY 11, 2024**

HYBRID Public Meeting

**Physical Location:
H-GAC, 2nd Floor Conference Room A
2555 Timmons, Houston**

H-GAC, through its Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program, is seeking partners, which include local governments, community organizations, and residents, to help devise and implement pollution reduction projects.

Watch for more details, including a registration link, on our social media channels:



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JAN 23



Bringing Back Main Street Roundtable

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Tuesday, January 23, 2024
Brazoria County Historical Museum, 100 E. Cedar St., Angleton

Agenda:

9:30 a.m. - Check-in and breakfast
10 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Program and walking tour of Downtown Angleton

[Registration is requested](#)

Join us to discuss how incremental changes can have a big impact on a small downtown, learn from experts during a panel discussion, share ideas during a roundtable, and conclude with a walking tour of Downtown Angleton.

The Bringing Back Main Street initiative offers local communities a place to share best practices and engage in a regional dialogue about revitalizing and supporting vibrant downtown spaces. Each quarter, community leaders gather for a roundtable on topics ranging from small business support to sidewalk infrastructure.

For more information, contact [Andrea Tantillo](#).

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