

**Agenda Item 04**  
**TPC Meeting Packet 04/23/21**

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

DATE: Friday, March 26, 2021

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Webinar

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Chair Kenneth Clark called the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) to order at 9:30a.m.

**ITEM 1. CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

Secretary Grady Prestage announced that a quorum of TPC membership was present; 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 Kenneth Clark invited introductions from Council members and staff.

The presentation, comments, questions and discussion under this item are included in the meeting recording at:  
<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/2/>

**ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Neely Kim, H-GAC, addressed the Transportation Policy Council and read the names of the individuals who submitted public comments by email or correspondence into the record.

The public comments submitted by email or correspondence can be viewed here:  
<https://h-gac.com/getmedia/f00ce06a-8ffa-4b3d-91a0-1692705615c7/2021-March-TPC-Public-Comments.pdf>

The public comments made during the meeting can be heard here:  
<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/3/>

**ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021 MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY**

Mr. Chuck Wemple made a motion for approval of the January 22, 2021 meeting minutes and the motion was seconded by Council Member David Robinson. The Council voted and approved the minutes summary.

The presentation, comments, questions and discussion under this item are included in the meeting recording at:  
<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/4/>

**ITEM 5. RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR OUTGOING TPC MEMBER MAUREEN CROCKER,  
CHAIR KENNETH CLARK**

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Chairman Clark presented the Resolution of Commendation for outgoing TPC Member Maureen Crocker. Mayor Joe Zimmerman made a motion for approval and a second motion was made by Council Member David Robinson. The Council voted and the motion carried.

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<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/5/>

**ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY COMMITTEE, MR. PATRICK MANDAPAKA, H-GAC**

Following the request from the Chair, Mr. Patrick Mandapaka presented to the Policy Council approval of modifications to the membership of the Transportation Safety Committee. The membership of the Transportation Safety Committee was finalized at the Transportation Policy Council meeting on January 29, 2021. However, several position vacancies needed to be filled to bring the committee to full membership. Mr. Mandapaka proposed a slate of members to fill the positions vacancies. For further details on the slate of members proposed, please click on link below to view the list.

Mayor Joe Zimmerman made a motion to approve the modifications to the membership of the Transportation Safety Committee and a second motion was made by Council Member David Robinson. The Council voted and the motion carried.

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<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/6/>

**ITEM 7. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR THE NORTH HOUSTON HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (OLD BUSINESS), CRAIG RABORN, H-GAC**

Mr. Craig Raborn presented on this item for approval of a Resolution relating to the North Houston Highway Improvement Project (NHHIP). At the TPC meeting on January 22, 2021, Resolution No. 2021-01 was tabled for further discussion. Following that meeting staff coordinated discussions with leadership of the TPC and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Working Group. Based on those discussions, Substitute Resolution 2021-11 was prepared and presented as a potential substitute for tabled Resolution No. 2021-01.

Mr. Raborn presented three options for TPC's consideration, approval of the substitute Resolution 2021-11, take no action, or approval of Resolution No. 2021-01 that was presented at TPC in January.

Numerous public comments had been provided on this item, and the Council discussed options for updating the language of Substitute Resolution 2021-11 based on the public's comments, retaining the language of tabled Resolution 2021-01, or adopting Substitute Resolution 2021-11 as provided.

Commissioner Justin Beckendorff moved to take Resolution 2021-01 from the table and substitute it with Resolution 2021-11. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Billy Combs.

The motion to take Resolution 2021-01 from the table passed on a voice vote. The following seven members objected: Carol Haddock, Council Member David Robinson, Council Member Sallie Alcorn, John Blount, Milton Rahman, Carrin Patman and Roger Guenther.

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After additional discussion of the motion to substitute the language of Resolution 2021-01 with the Resolution 2021-11, Judge Keough moved that the question be called. The motion passed, with Carol Haddock opposing.

Carrin Patman moved to indefinitely postpone consideration of the motion to substitute Resolution 2021-11 for Resolution 2021-01. Dr. Lewis seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion to postpone Resolution 2021-11 was not approved with 11 voting for and 14 voting against the motion.

A roll call vote was then conducted on the motion to approve Resolution 2021-11. Resolution 2021-11 was approved by the Transportation Policy Council with 15 voting for and 10 voting against the motion.

The presentation, comments, questions, discussion and votes under this item are included in the meeting recording at: <https://hgac.swagit.com/play/03262021-634/7/>

**ITEM 8. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AND THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP), VISHU LINGALA. H-GAC**

Mr. Vishu Lingala presented on the Amendments to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and is seeking TPC approval of Resolution 2021-09 and Resolution 2021-10. The amendments are as follows:

- Program 4,712,000 Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of matching funds on fourteen (14) Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO) and Houston-Galveston Area Council projects funded with federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ). These federal funds for these projects were originally programmed during the development of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.
- Delay three (3) projects from the TIP into FY 2025 of the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Ten-Year Transportation Plan (10Y) at the Texas Department of Transportation's request to fiscally constrain the 2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).
- Move the FY 2021 Metro Regional Vanpool project, funded with federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds, from the TIP into the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Statewide Program for transit improvements (under a statewide Control-Section-Job number) at the TxDOT's request to fiscally constrain the 2021 STIP.

A motion was made by Ms. Patman and a second motions was made by Mr. Beckendorff. The Council voted and the motion carried.

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**ITEM 9. AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021-2022 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP), NEELY KIM, H-GAC**

Ms. Neely Kim presented on the amendments to the 2021-2022 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and is seeking TPC approval. H-GAC received Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds through two Advance Funding Agreements including a total amount of \$5M for the various planning projects listed below:

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1. Safety Intersection Audits
2. Regional Goods Movement Plan Update
3. Montgomery County Precinct 2 Mobility Study
4. Liberty County Transportation Plan
5. Southeast Harris County Sub-regional Study

Currently, these projects are included in the 2020-2021 UPWP, but STBG funds are not noted in the budget. The following items show a summary of proposed modifications by task and subtask to add STBG funds:

1. Task 3-Subtask 3.4a of the 2020-2021 UPWP includes a planning activity to conduct safety intersection studies at pilot intersection locations that have high crash density. An additional \$1M in STBG funds are proposed to be added to Task 3-Subtask 3.4a under FY 2021 of the UPWP to fund Safety Intersection Audits.
2. Task 4-Subtask 4.3b of the 2020-2021 UPWP includes a freight planning activity to update the Regional Goods Movement Plan. An additional \$1M in STBG funds are proposed to be added to Task 4-Subtask 4.3b under FY 2021 of the UPWP to update the Regional Goods Movement Plan.
3. Task 4-Subtask 4.3c of the 2020-2021 UPWP includes three sub-regional studies: Montgomery County Precinct 2 Mobility Study, Liberty County Transportation Plan, and Southeast Harris County Sub-regional Study. An additional \$2.1M in STBG funds are proposed to be added to Task 4- subtask 4.3c under FY 2021 of the UPWP to provide support to the above planning projects.

A motion was made by Mayor Joe. Zimmerman and a second motions was made by Mr. David Collins. The Council voted and the motion carried.

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ITEM 10. UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT OF 2021-2022 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM, NEELY KIM, H-GAC

Due to the time constraint, this item will be deferred to a later date.

ITEM 11. PROPOSED REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENT PROCESS, ADAM BECKOM, H-GAC

Due to the time constraint, this item will be deferred to a later date.

ITEM 12. REQUESTED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN, VISHU LINGALA, H-GAC

Due to the time constraint, this item will be deferred to a later date.

ITEM 13. AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY RESULTS, GRACIELA LUBERTINO, HGAC

Due to the time constraint, this item will be deferred to a later date.

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ITEM 14. H-GAC TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES

- A. TIP Quarterly Update
- B. Update on the Regional Strategic Transportation Fund
- C. Summary of Planning Activities
- D. H-GAC Board of Directors Report

Due to the time constraint, this item will be deferred to a later date.

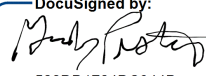
ITEM 15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Raborn made the following announcements to the Council

- TPC Orientation, March 26, 2021, 8:30 a.m.
- Transportation Safety Committee Meeting – March 30, 2021, 1:30 p.m.
- Public meeting (RTP Amendments and Air Quality Conformity) – April 8, 2021, 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Next TAC Meeting – April 14, 2021, 9:30 a.m.
- Southeast Harris County Subregional Study Public Meeting - April 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
- Montgomery County Precinct 2 Mobility Study Public Meeting - April 22, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
- Next TPC Meeting – April 23, 2021, 9:30 a.m.
- Liberty County Mobility Study Public Meeting - April 29, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Chair Kenneth Clark adjourned the meeting of the TPC at 12:25 p.m.

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Hon. Grady Prestage, Secretary  
Transportation Policy Council

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**Attachment 1**  
**TRANSPORTATION POLICY COUNCIL (TPC)**  
**FOR THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON**  
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ROLL

<b><u>AGENCY</u></b>	<b><u>VOTING MEMBER/ALTERNATE</u></b>	<b><u>REPRESENTING</u></b>
Baytown, City of	_____ Honorable Heather Betancourth Council Member, District 4 <u>  X  </u> Honorable Brandon Capetillo – Alternate	City of Baytown
Conroe, City of	_____ Thomas Woolley Interim Director of Engineering _____ Chris Bogert – Alternate	City of Conroe
Galveston, City of	<u>  X  </u> 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 – <b>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair</b> _____ Honorable Abbie Kamin- Alternate	City of Houston
Houston, City of	_____ 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 _____ Veronica O. Davis, P.E. – Alternate	City of Houston
League City, City of	<u>  X  </u> Honorable Larry Millican Council Member, Position 3 _____ Honorable Andy Mann - Alternate	City of League City
Missouri City, City of	<u>  X  </u> Shashi Kumar, P.E.. Director of Public Works _____ Clifford Brouhard – Alternate	City of Missouri City
Pasadena, City of	_____ Honorable Cary Bass Council Member _____ James Rodriguez – 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	<u>      </u>	Honorable Dedrick Johnson Mayor <u>  X  </u> Doug Kneupper, P.E. - Alternate	City of Texas City
Waller, City of	<u>  X  </u>	Honorable Nancy Arnold Council Member, City of Waller	Smaller Cities, Harris County
Seabrook, City of	<u>      </u>	Honorable Natalie Picha - Alternate	
Brazoria County	<u>  X  </u>	Honorable Matt Sebesta County Judge – <b>Past Chair</b> 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 - <b>Secretary</b> County Commissioner, Pct 2 Stacy Slawinski, P.E. – Alternate	Fort Bend County
Galveston County	<u>  X  </u>	Honorable Kenneth Clark County Commissioner - <b>Chairman</b> Honorable Joe Giusti– Alternate	Galveston County
Harris County	<u>      </u>	Honorable Lina Hidalgo County Judge <u>  X  </u> John Blount, P.E. – Alternate	Harris County
Harris County	<u>      </u>	Honorable Adrian Garcia County Commissioner, Pct. 2 <u>  X  </u> Milton Rahman, P.E. – Alternate	Harris County
Liberty County	<u>      </u>	David Douglas Engineering Administrator Honorable Jay Knight - Alternate	Liberty County

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Montgomery County	<u>    X    </u>	Honorable Mark Keough County Judge _____ Commissioner, James Metts – Alternate	Montgomery County
Waller County	<u>    X    </u>	Honorable Justin Beckendorff County Commissioner – <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair</b> _____ Commissioner, Walter Smith - Alternate	Waller County
Houston Metropolitan Transit Authority	<u>    X    </u>	Carrin Patman METRO Chair _____ Thomas Lambert – Alternate	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	<u>    X    </u>	Chad Bohne, P.E. _____ District Engineer _____ Adam Jack, P.E. – Alternate	TxDOT Beaumont District
Port of Houston Authority	<u>    X    </u>	Roger Guenther _____ Executive Director, Port of Houston _____ 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>	<b>Total Voting Membership</b>	
	<u>    25    </u>	<b>Voting Membership Present</b>	
	<u>    14    </u>	<b>Required Quorum</b>	



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<b><u>AGENCY</u></b>	<b><u>NON-VOTING MEMBERS</u></b>	<b><u>REPRESENTING</u></b>
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
TxDOT Yoakum District	<u>      </u> Paul Reitz, P.E. District Engineer	TxDOT Yoakum District