

# MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

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Meeting Date & Time: January 19th, 2021 1:30 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** Virtual

Meeting Link: <a href="http://laredotx.swagit.com/live">http://laredotx.swagit.com/live</a>
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In order to adhere to the current public gathering guidelines, this meeting will be held in a virtual meeting format. Citizens wishing to provide public comment may phone in their comments during the meeting, or submit them electronically through means provided (see information below).

### AGENDA:

- I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL
- III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens interested in providing comments on a particular item are to submit their comments in writing via the "Online Response Form", available at the "CONTACT US" tab of the MPO website located at <a href="http://www.laredompo.org/contact-us/">http://www.laredompo.org/contact-us/</a>. Comments are to be submitted no later than 1:15 p.m. the day of the meeting. During the meeting, a telephone number shall be provided to allow citizens the opportunity to call in to speak on a particular item. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a specific issue, they should select not more than three (3) representatives to speak on their behalf. The presiding officer may further limit public on the interest of order or time. Speakers may not transfer their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to MPO business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks shall be permitted.

# IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:

- A. Approval of the minutes for the virtual meeting held on November 16th, 2020.
- B. Receive public testimony and initiate a 10-day public review and comment period for the following proposed revision(s) of the 2020-2045 Laredo Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):
  - 1. Amending Chapter 10, subsection entitled Operation and Maintenance of Unified Transportation Program Projects to include Table 10:2A entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Operations and Maintenance Costs.
    - The inclusion of the new table was requested by FHWA and identifies Maintenance and Operations costs, and projected revenue for TxDOT, the City and County, over the next 25 years.
- C. Approval of a motion to ratify the execution of Contract Amendment #3, with CDM Smith, for the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update and FAST Act Compliance Project.
  - The amendment is intended to extend the contract completion date by one year, from December 31, 2020 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Scope of work for tasks remaining to be completed include 10 hours of Travel Demand Model training for MPO Staff. No additional fees will be required. The total project cost will remain \$371,889.50.
- D. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution MPO 2021-01, adopting the following proposed amendment(s) of the MPO By-laws:
  - 1. Article I, Section 1.1, entitled Definitions, shall be amended to include a definition for the Metropolitan Planning Organization Active Transportation Committee; and,
  - 2. Article II, Section 2.3, shall be amended to include subsection (d)1 and 2 intended to identify the responsibilities and the membership of the Active Transportation Committee (ATC).
- E. Receive public testimony and initiate a ten-day public review and comment period for the following proposed amendment(s) of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):
  - 1. DELETION/REMOVAL of project CSJ 0018-05-089 intended to provide for the replacement of a bridge structure on IH 35, at Uniroyal Drive, with an estimated total project cost of \$125,323,000. The project letting date was FY 2024.
    - TxDOT has requested the project be moved 1-month from August 2024 (FY 2024) to September 2024 (FY 2025), in order to ensure Statewide Fiscal Constraint.
- F. Discussion with possible action on Hachar-Reuthinger.



- V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required).
  - A. Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).
- VI. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

### **NOTICE INFORMATION:**

Notice of this meeting was posted at the municipal government offices, 1110 Houston Street, Laredo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times. Said notice was posted 72 hours before the meeting date and time. The agenda and meeting information was also posted online at <a href="http://www.laredompo.org/agendas-minutes/">http://www.laredompo.org/agendas-minutes/</a>.

All meetings of the MPO Committee are open to the public. Persons who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services such as: interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers of large print or Braille, or a translator for the Spanish language are requested to contact MPO Staff at 956-794-1613, or via email at <a href="mailto:planner@ci.laredo.tx.us">planner@ci.laredo.tx.us</a>, at least five working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Materials in Spanish may also be provided upon request.

Disability Access Statement: This meeting is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrances are located at 1110 Victoria and 910 Flores. Accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1110 Victoria.

Ayuda o Servicios Auxiliares: Todas las reuniones del Comité del MPO están abiertas al público. Personas que planean asistir a esta reunión y que pueden necesitar ayuda o servicios auxiliares como: interpretes para personas con discapacidad auditiva, lectores de letra grande o en Braille, o un traductor para el idioma español deben comunicarse con el personal del MPO al 956-794-1613 o por correo electrónico planner@ci.laredo.tx.us al menos cinco días hábiles antes de la reunión para que los arreglos apropiados se pueden hacer. Materiales en español se proveerán a petición.

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# **POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:**

### County of Webb Representatives:

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1 Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3

### City of Laredo Representatives:

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LWCAMPO Chairperson Honorable Dr. Marte Martinez, City Councilmember, District VI (Vacant)

Laredo Mass Transit Board Representative: (Vacant)

### State DOT Representative:

Mr. David M. Salazar, Jr. P.E., TxDOT District Engineer

# Private Sector Representative:

Mr. Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez, Jr.

### Ex-Officio Representatives:

Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21 Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42 Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80

# **AGENDA REVIEWED:**

J. Kirby Snideman, AICP LW-CAMPO Director Jose A. Valdez, Jr. Laredo City Secretary