



MPO TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING

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Meeting Date & Time: September 7th, 2021 2:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: El Metro Transit Center

1301 Farragut St., 3rd Floor (West of the Elevators)

AGENDA:

1. Chairperson to call meeting to order.
2. Discussion and recommendation on Resolution No. MPO 2021-10, adopting the proposed amendment(s) of the MPO By-Laws:
 - A. Article II, Section 2.3(a), entitled Administration, shall be amended as follows:

Remove - "The City of Laredo Planning Director shall act as the Transportation Planning Director for the MPO."

Add - "The MPO shall be led by a full-time MPO Transportation Planning Director."
3. Update on the upcoming MPO Policy Committee meeting draft agenda.
4. MPO Review Process work session facilitated by Bill Frawley of Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI).
5. Discussion of old or new business.
6. Adjournment.

**LAREDO WEBB COUNTY AREA MPO
ACTION ITEM**

DATE: 09-15-21	SUBJECT: RESOLUTION Receive public testimony and approve Resolution MPO No. 2021-10 for the proposed amendment(s) of the MPO Bylaws: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Article II, Section 2.3(a), entitled Administration, shall be amended as follows: Remove - “The City of Laredo Planning Director shall act as the Transportation Planning Director for the MPO.” Add - “The MPO shall be led by a full-time MPO Transportation Planning Director.”
INITIATED BY: Staff	STAFF SOURCE: Juan S. Mendive, Interim MPO Director
PREVIOUS ACTION: The MPO Policy Committee adopted the Bylaws in 1997, and subsequently amended them in 2000, 2007, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2020, and January of 2021. The Policy Committee initiated a 10-day public review and comment period on August 18, 2021.	
BACKGROUND In accordance with the MPO’s Public Participation Plan a 10-day public review and comment period is required for revisions to the Bylaws prior to final action by the Policy Committee. The proposed amendment would ensure that the Bylaws are consistent with the recent changes to the MPO regarding the appointment of an Interim MPO Director separate from the City of Laredo Planning Director. Additionally, the proposed amendment does not conflict with the planning agreement dated September 24, 2018 between the Texas Department of Transportation, Laredo Webb County Area MPO, and City of Laredo (Fiscal Agent).	
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The LWCAMPO Technical Committee recommends _____	STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval.

RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2021-10

BY THE LAREDO WEBB COUNTY AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY COMMITTEE

AMENDING THE LWCAMPO BYLAWS

WHEREAS, the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO), as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), for the Laredo Urbanized Area has reviewed the revisions to the LWCAMPO Bylaws; and,

WHEREAS, the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization finds that the revisions to the LWCAMPO Bylaws meet federal and state requirements, and meet the transportation needs of the Laredo Metropolitan Area; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Article II, Section 2.3(a), entitled Administration of the Bylaws, shall be amended as follows:

Remove - "The City of Laredo Planning Director shall act as the Transportation Planning Director for the MPO."

Add - "The MPO shall be led by a full-time MPO Transportation Planning Director."

Honorable Pete Saenz
Mayor of Laredo and Chairperson of the
LWCAMPO Policy Committee

We certify that the above resolution was adopted on September 15, 2021, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO).

Juan S. Mendive
Interim MPO Director

David Salazar, P.E.
Laredo District Engineer



MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

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Meeting Date & Time: September 15th, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: City of Laredo Council Chambers, 1110 Houston St., Laredo, Texas 78040

Meeting Link: <http://laredotx.swagit.com/live>

Public Access Channel: Spectrum TV channel 1300

AGENDA:

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

Speakers are required to fill out witness cards, which must be submitted to MPO Staff no later than 1:15 p.m. the day of the meeting. Speakers shall identify themselves at the microphone. 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.

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IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:

- A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on August 18th, 2021.
- B. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2021-10, adopting the following proposed amendment(s) of the MPO Bylaws:
 - 1. Article II, Section 2.3(a), entitled Administration, shall be amended as follows:
 - Remove** - “The City of Laredo Planning Director shall act as the Transportation Planning Director for the MPO.”
 - Add** - “The MPO shall be led by a full-time MPO Transportation Planning Director.”
- C. Discussion with possible action on the Hachar-Reuthinger road project.

V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required).

- A. Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).
- B. Update from the City and/or County on any plans they have to address the internal infrastructure at Unitec Industrial Park.
- C. Presentation by City of Laredo Engineering Staff on City sponsored projects listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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 <http://www.laredompo.org/agendas-minutes/>.

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 aguijano@ci.laredo.tx.us prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Materials in Spanish may also be provided upon request.

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Disability Access Statement: This meeting is wheelchair accessible. The accessible ramps 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 aquijano@ci.laredo.tx.us antes de la reunión para que se puedan hacer los arreglos apropiados. Material en español está disponible mediante una petición.

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MPO POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

City of Laredo Representatives:

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LWCAMPO Chairperson
Honorable Ruben Gutierrez, Jr., City Councilmember, District V
Honorable Dr. Marte Martinez, City Councilmember, District VI

County of Webb Representatives:

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge and LWCAMPO Vice-Chairperson
Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3

Laredo Mass Transit Board Representative:

Honorable Vanessa Perez, City Councilmember, District VII

State Representative:

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

Private Sector Representative (Member at Large):

Mr. Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez, Jr., P.E.

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:

Juan S. Mendive,
LWCAMPO Interim Director

Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
Laredo City Secretary