

# Laredo Urban Transportation Study

## Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee

### Notice of Public Meeting

City of Laredo City Hall  
City Council Chambers  
1110 Houston Street  
Laredo, Texas  
August 21, 2017  
1:30 p.m.

### MEETING AGENDA

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

Speakers are required to fill out witness cards, which must be submitted to MPO Staff no later than 15 minutes after the start 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 comment in the interest of order or time. Speakers may not transfer their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City 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 meeting held on July 17, 2017.
  - B. Receive public testimony, initiate an additional 10 day public review and comment period and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-08 adopting the following proposed amendment(s) of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), conditional to receipt of no significant comment:
    1. Amending Table 12-10, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Summary, Figure 12-1, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects, Table 12-11, entitled Roadway Projects, Figure 13-1, entitled Natural Resources and Federally Funded Projects, Figure 13-2, entitled Cultural Resources and Federally Funded Projects, Figure 13-3, entitled Low Income Areas and Federally Funded Projects, Table 13-1, entitled Federally Funded Projects Environmental

Assessment Results, Table 13-3, entitled Federally Funded Projects and Environmental Justice Populations; and, Figure 13-4 entitled Colonias and Federally Funded Projects as necessary to incorporate the following revisions:

- a) **Adding** project CSJ 0086-14-076 for the construction of the Shiloh Road Overpass on US 59, with an estimated construction cost is \$18,539,712. Estimated letting date FY 2023.
  - b) **Adding** project CSJ 0086-14-079 for the construction of the University Overpass on U.S. 59, with an estimated project construction cost of \$14,648,370 . Estimated letting date is FY 2022.
  - c) **Adding** of project CSJ 0086-14-075 for the construction of the Del Mar Overpass on U.S. 59, with an estimated construction cost of \$20,496,476. Estimated letting date is FY 2021.
  - d) **Adding** Vallecillo Road project, identified as project X-10, intended to develop schematic and environmental for a 5 lane roadway, from FM 1472 to IH35. Engineering by RMA's general engineering consultant is \$300,000 and is in progress.
  - e) **Revising** project CSJ 0086-14-077 for the construction of the Airport Overpass on US 59 at the International Airport , with an estimated project construction cost of \$14,785,990, by changing estimated letting date from fiscal year (FY) 2018 to FY 2024.
  - f) **Revising** project CSJ 0086-14-078 for the construction of the Jacaman Road Overpass on US 59, with an estimated project construction cost of \$19,691,424, by changing letting date from fiscal year(FY) 2020 to FY 2021.
  - g) **Revising** project #4/CSJ 0086-14-058/CSJ 0086-14-072 for the upgrade to interstate standards, including overpasses at Shiloh, University and Del Mar by removing identifier CSJ 0086-14-058, revising scope to remove the three overpasses and revising funding accordingly. The overpass projects at Shiloh, University and Del Mar will be identified independently as indicated above. Project CSJ 0086-14-058 for the preliminary schematic, environmental, ROW surveying/mapping and PS&E for Loop 20 from east of International Blvd. to US 59/Loop 20 is listed independently and has already let.
- C. Discussion with possible action on the TxDOT letter dated July 21, 2017 regarding the Advance Acquisition Process/Alternatives along US 59/Loop 20.
- D. Discussion with possible action to include High Occupancy Vehicles (HOV) lanes for FM 1472 (Mines Road).

1. Report technical memorandum developed by TxDOT on steps necessary to implement HOV Lanes on Mines Road.
  - E. Discussion with possible action to restripe and/or add Right-of-Way for bicycle on FM 1472 (Mines Road).
    1. Report by TxDOT on procedures necessary to implement a bike lane on Mines Road.
  - F. Discussion with possible action to place digital signage on FM 1472 (Mines Road) to notify the driving public of congestion.
    1. Report by TxDOT on possible sign locations, cost estimates, and funding sources for digital signage on Mines Road.
  - G. Discussion with possible action on the \$2.4 million, Proposition 1, Category 2 funds allocated to project CSJ 0086-14-077, intended to provide for construction of an interchange at the international airport, with an estimated construction cost of \$14,785,990. Latest estimated letting date is fiscal year (FY) 2024.
  - H. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.
- V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)
- A. Presentation by Webb County intended to visually demonstrate the layout of the Airport overpass designed so as to avoid encroachment on the Armory or the Airport's property.
  - B. TxDOT report on the status of ongoing construction projects.
  - C. TxDOT report on the development of the grade separation at IH 35 and the Union Pacific Railroad, the Uniroyal grade separation, and any other similar projects.
  - D. Status report on the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).
  - E. Letting date for Flecha Lane/Las Cruces realignment project CSJ 0922-33-076 is proposed to be moved from September 2017 (FY 2018) to August 2018 (FY 2018.)

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

THIS NOTICE 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 BY AUGUST 18, 2017, BY 1:30 P.M.

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 Ms. Vanessa Guerra, City Planning, 1120 San Bernardo



Ave. at (956) 794-1613, [vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us), 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 900 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: intérpretes para personas con discapacidad auditiva, lectores de letra grande o en Braille, o un traductor para el idioma español deben comunicarse con la Sra. Vanessa Guerra, en el Departamento de Planificación de la Ciudad, 1120 San Bernardo Ave. al (956) 794-1613, [vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us), al menos cinco días hábiles antes de la reunión para que los arreglos apropiados se pueden hacer. Materiales in español se proveerán a petición.

**Declaración de Acceso a la Discapacidad:** Esta reunión es accesible para sillas de ruedas. Las entradas accesibles están ubicadas en 1110 Victoria y 900 Flores. Las plazas de aparcamiento accesibles se encuentran en el Ayuntamiento, 1110 Victoria.

**Información en Español:** Si usted desea esta información en español o si desea explicación sobre el contenido, por favor llámenos al teléfono (956) 794-1623 o comuníquese con nosotros mediante correo electrónico a [vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us](mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us).

**CITY OF LAREDO REPRESENTATIVES:**

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LUTS Chairperson  
Honorable Charlie San Miguel, City Councilmember, District VI  
Honorable George Altgelt, City Councilmember, District VII

**LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:**

Honorable Roberto Balli, City Councilmember, District VIII

**COUNTY OF WEBB REPRESENTATIVES:**

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge  
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3  
Honorable Jaime Canales, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 4

**STATE REPRESENTATIVES:**

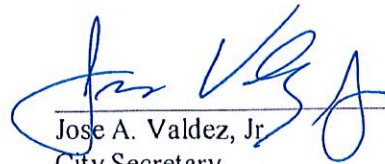
Mr. Pete Alvarez, P.E., District Engineer  
Ms. Melisa Montemayor, District Administrator

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

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MPO Director

  
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City Secretary

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