

# **POLICY COMMITTEE**

# MEETING MINUTES June 18, 2025

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#### CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Treviño, called meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

#### II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL

Graciela S. Briones, MPO Planner III, called roll and verified a quorum existed.

## **Regular Members Present:**

Honorable Dr. Victor D. Treviño, Mayor and LWCAMPO Chairperson Honorable Vanessa Perez, Mayor Pro-Tempore, District VII Honorable Ricardo "Richie" Rangel Jr. City Councilmember, District II Mr. Epigmenio "Epi" Gonzalez, P.E., TxDOT District Engineer

## **Regular Members Not Present:**

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge and LWCAMPO Vice-Chairperson Honorable Ruben Gutierrez Jr., City Councilmember, District V Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1 Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3 Mr. Jed A. Brown, Member-At-Large

## **Ex-Officio Members Not Present:**

Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21 Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42 Honorable Don McLaughlin, State Representative, District 80

## **LWCAMPO Staff Present:**

Juan S. Mendive, AICP, LWCAMPO Director Graciela S. Briones, LWCAMPO Planner III Julio A. Niño, LWCAMPO Planner III Eduardo Bernal, LWCAMPO Planner III Adriana A. Vigil, LWCAMPO Administrative Assistant

### Others:

Sara Garza, TxDOT
Roberto Rodriguez, TxDOT
Jose D. Vargas, TxDOT
Luis Villarreal, TxDOT
Ana Duncan, TxDOT
Kenneth Duncan, TxDOT
Eloisa Mascorro, El Metro Transit
Anthony Garza, Webb County Consultant
Orlando Contreras, WC-CL RMA/LJA Engineering
Blasita J. Lopez, WC-CL RMA/LJA Engineering
Orlando Navarro, Killam

CM. Rangel, made a motion to excuse all members not present.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously.

### III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Speakers are required to fill out witness cards, which must be submitted to MPO Staff no later than 1:45 PM 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.

# IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:

#### A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on May 21, 2025.

CM. Rangel, made a motion to approve the minutes of May 21, 2025.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Receive public testimony and initiate a 20-day public review and comment period for the draft FY2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Mayor Treviño, asked if there was anyone present to speak For or Against the item.

There were no comments.

Mr. Mendive, MPO Director, provided a brief presentation on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). He explained that the UPWP was a federally required document that outlines the transportation planning programs and activities to be carried out by the MPO within a given fiscal year. He noted that the UPWP may be amended at any time, if necessary. Mr. Mendive, clarified that the UPWP describes all MPO transportation planning activities to be funded through Transportation Planning Funds (TPF). He emphasized that some tasks outlined in the UPWP may require more than one year to complete and are therefore carried over from one UPWP cycle to the next. He also stated that, as required by the MPO's Public Participation Plan (PPP), the UPWP must undergo a 20-day public review and comment period. Upon approval by the Policy Committee, the UPWP would be submitted through TxDOT for final approval by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Mr. Mendive, informed the committee that the FY 2026 UPWP was expected to be adopted on July 16, 2025, and that TxDOT would submit the approved document to FHWA by August 1, 2025. He concluded by providing a summary of the UPWP budget. He stated that an estimated total of \$2,629,990.87 in Transportation Planning Funds (TPF) would be available, which included carryover funds from previous fiscal years. The expected allocation for FY 2026 was reported to be \$629,990.87. Mr. Mendive, also presented the UPWP subtasks along with the respective funding amounts allocated to each with a total of \$1,247,000 in TPF proposed to be programmed in FY 2026.

CM. Perez, made a motion to initiate a 20-day public review and comment period for the draft FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Second: CM. Rangel

For: 4
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2025-08, supporting the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study recommendations.

Mr. Mendive, highlighted that the FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study being conducted by TxDOT was very important and reported that a successful public meeting had taken place the evening before, with strong community attendance. He noted that CM. Vanessa Perez had reached out to the MPO to request a Resolution of support for the TxDOT FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study. He also stated that both he and CM. Perez planned to attend the Texas Transportation Commission meeting that Friday.

CM. Rangel, confirmed that he would also attend the Commission meeting.

Mr. Mendive, explained that the goal was to demonstrate local support for the various studies and transportation projects taking place in Laredo. He emphasized that the Resolution would serve to formally support the FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study.

CM. Rangel, asked whether there would be an opportunity to make a presentation during the Commission meeting.

Mr. Mendive, clarified that while no formal presentation was scheduled, the meeting would be open to the public, allowing individuals to provide public comments limited to three minutes. He noted that there would be two opportunities to speak, during the Unified Transportation Program (UTP) item and during the open comment period at the end of the meeting. He stated that the he intended to thank the Commission for its support and highlight ongoing transportation efforts in the community.

CM. Perez, added that the intent was to show the Commission that Laredo was actively engaged and supportive of the planning efforts. She emphasized the importance of this representation to help ensure Laredo's projects remained a priority, particularly given the recent announcement of a \$1.5 million reduction in funding. She then asked Mr. Gonzalez to provide a brief update on the FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study public meeting held the previous night.

Mr. Gonzalez, TxDOT District Engineer, reported that they had discussed the meeting earlier that morning. He noted that the meeting had 80 attendees, making it one of the most well attended public meetings in recent memory. The event focused on FM 1472, a project generating significant interest. He stated that Mayor Treviño, CM. Perez, Congressman Henry Cuellar, and Representative Richard Raymond were all in attendance.

He mentioned that the initial public feedback was overwhelmingly positive and in favor of the project.

Mayor Treviño, added that an artist rendering had illustrated projected congestion for the year 2055, showing traffic backed up bumper-to-bumper with 18-wheelers extending to IH-35. He stressed the urgency of the project, stating it was not a question of *if*, but *when* it had to be completed due to its necessity.

CM. Perez, noted that many additional participants had attended virtually, including representatives from various homeowner associations such as Villa San Agustin and La Bota Ranch, as well as J.D. Gonzalez from the National Brokers and Forwarders Association and other organizations. She thanked Mr. Gonzalez and the TxDOT team for their hard work.

Mr. Gonzalez, informed the committee that the public comment period would remain open until July 7 and encouraged everyone to submit feedback. He mentioned that individuals who had signed in would receive a reminder before the deadline.

Mayor Treviño, acknowledged that the project carried a significant cost but warned that delaying it by even one or two years could double the expense.

CM. Perez, expressed appreciation for Mayor Treviño's commitment to securing funding. She also acknowledged the support expressed by Congressman Cuellar and Representative Raymond. She stated the intent to have the Resolution finalized in time to deliver it to the Commissioners at the Friday meeting in Austin.

Mr. Mendive, concluded by noting that the MPO could also submit a public comment indicating the existence of a Resolution in support of the FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study.

CM. Rangel, made a motion approve Resolution No. MPO 2025-08, supporting the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) FM 1472 Segment 1 Feasibility Study recommendations.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously.

D. Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2025-09, supporting the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Statewide Active Transportation Plan.

Mr. Mendive, stated that the Resolution under consideration was similar in nature to the previous item, as it expressed formal support for the TxDOT Statewide Active Transportation Plan. He explained that the plan aimed to improve mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and individuals using alternative modes of transportation such as scooters. He noted that the MPO supported the plan as it aligned with the agency's ongoing efforts and initiatives, including Bike Month and the recently adopted Vision Zero Safety Action Plan. Mr. Mendive, further mentioned that Mayor Pro Tempore Vanessa Perez had requested that this item also be presented during the upcoming Texas Transportation Commission meeting to demonstrate local support through a Resolution. He reported that TxDOT had been conducting public meetings across the state as part of the plan development process and had recently held one in Laredo during the prior month. Mr. Mendive, concluded by stating that once adopted, the plan was expected to move into its implementation phase in 2026, and that overall, it was a strong initiative worthy of recommendation.

CM. Rangel, made a motion to approve Resolution No. MPO 2025-09, supporting the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Statewide Active Transportation Plan.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously

E. Discussion with possible action to provide a Letter in Support of the Regional Mobility Authority's (RMA) application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for the Safe Streets and Roads for All implementation grant.

Mr. Mendive, stated that the item under consideration was a Letter of Support requested by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA). He informed the Committee that representatives from the RMA were present and available to answer any additional questions. He explained that the support letter aligned with the recently adopted Vision Zero Safety Action Plan, which had been formally adopted by the RMA, the City of Laredo, and the MPO Policy Committee. He noted that the next step in the process was implementation, for which the RMA was preparing to submit a Safe Streets for All Implementation Grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation. Mr. Mendive,

also stated that the RMA was partnering with TxDOT and the City of Laredo on the grant submission to further advance coordinated safety improvements throughout the region.

CM. Perez, made a motion to approve the Letter in Support of the Regional Mobility Authority's (RMA) application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for the Safe Streets and Roads for All implementation grant.

Second:

CM. Rangel

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously

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

# A. Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

Mr. Orlando Contreras, Transportation Designer with LJA Engineering, provided a brief update on the Vallecillo Road project. He stated that revisions had recently been made to the right-of-way, and they were in the process of finalizing the metes and bounds to submit to the City of Laredo for approval of the updated right-of-way. He also noted ongoing coordination with TxDOT regarding utility adjustments. Mr. Contreras, reported that biweekly meetings were being held and that the utility coordination responsibilities would soon be transferred to TxDOT. Additionally, his team was finalizing the traffic control plan, which was expected to be submitted to TxDOT by the end of the month. The goal was to secure approval in time to submit the PS&E (Plans, Specifications & Estimates) package in August for the 60% submittal milestone. As of the meeting, the project remained on schedule.

CM. Perez, inquired whether the recent right-of-way changes involved only one landowner.

Mr. Contreras, confirmed this, stating the modifications affected the far east side near IH-35 and a small segment at the FM 1472 intersection, totaling approximately 0.011 acres.

CM. Perez, then asked if the alignment of Vallecillo Road was currently in line with Muller Memorial Road on the opposite side of FM 1472.

Mr. Contreras, responded that it was not, but discussions were ongoing regarding a potential realignment of Muller Road to better match Vallecillo Road, which would

enhance the functionality of a future overpass in that area.

when asked if the realignment could be implemented at this stage, Mr. Contreras,

explained that doing so would require another adjustment to the right-of-way.

CM. Perez, expressed concern that proceeding without realignment could result in

misaligned infrastructure similar to past projects.

Mr. Contreras, acknowledged that the alignment would not be perfect, but noted that

the minor 0.011-acre acquisition near FM 1472 would help improve alignment, though

not completely resolve the discrepancy with Muller Road.

CM. Perez, asked TxDOT how this would affect the proposed overpass at Muller Road.

Mr. Gonzalez, responded that the FM 1472 schematic included an ultimate configuration that featured an overpass at Vallecillo Road and that the current proposal would not

interfere with that future development.

Mr. Mendive, added that Mr. Brown had indicated that written responses would be

provided to any outstanding questions related to the report. He also mentioned that several stakeholder meetings had taken place to address the types of issues and concerns

raised by Mayor Pro Tempore Perez.

CM. Perez, stated that it would be worthwhile to pursue proper alignment while the

Vallecillo Road project was still in development. She requested an update on this item in

the next month's RMA report.

Mr. Gonzalez, concluded by stating that TxDOT had been working closely with the RMA

regarding the alignment near IH-35 as it pertains to the future overpass.

A Motion by CM. Rangel was made to have that update on next month's RMA status

report.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously

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The following report was included as part of the packet:

## WC-CL RMA June 2025 Status Report to LWCAMPO

- Vision Zero Webb Laredo Safety Action Plan (Safe Streets for All)- See supplemental memorandum.
- 2. The Vallecillo Road Project See supplemental memorandum.
- 3. Vallecillo Overpass While the WC-CL RMA will not be managing the development of the Overpass design, we stand ready to provide information from the Vallecillo Road Project to TxDOT so that the two projects' connections are well coordinated. Coordination meetings continue with all the stakeholders involved in the project. On 1/8/2025, the WC-CL RMA met with TxDOT LRD to obtain further information on the request. On 1/22/2025, the WC-CL RMA met with TxDOT LRD, and the group clarified roles and responsibilities between the implementation of the new overpass and how it will interface with the road project. The relocation of utilities along IH 35 will be conducted by the TxDOT LRD consultant. The group met on 2/18/25 for a status update on the Vallecillo Overpass project. The WC-CL RMA Board of Directors approved taking the lead for the additional ROW and associated environmental clearance changes at the March 26, 2025, Board Meeting. At the quarterly meeting that occurred on the week of the 19<sup>th</sup> of May, TxDOT LRD notified the group that PS&E for the project is scheduled for 2027.
- 4. Springfield Phase IV Similar to Springfield Phase III, the RMA has committed up to \$1 million to the City to assist with the funding of the construction of Phase IV of the project from Hospitality Drive to Bob Bullock Loop. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement (ILA) between the City and the RMA. The RMA submitted a draft ILA to the City on 4/9/2024. The RMA originally intended to utilize the Category 12 Strategic Partnership dollars for the funding of the project. The RMA has decided to proceed for the construction of this project utilizing the RMA Vehicle Registration Fees. The ILA between the City and the RMA was executed on 9/9/2024. The project has advertised for construction. The PreBid conference occurred on 1/7/2025. The bid opening occurred on 1/17/2025. The City consultant has evaluated the bids to recommend the award of the contract. The construction contract was awarded on 2/18/25 to ALC Construction by the City of Laredo for \$765,299.00. Construction commenced on the 14th of March. The official groundbreaking occurred on 3/24/2025. The total construction duration is scheduled for 90 days. As of 6/10/2025, continuous reinforced concrete pavement has commenced and largely complete. The final walk through and punch list to occur in June 2025. The ribbon cutting is projected to occur in July 2025.
- 5. Concord Hills (Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur to Los Presidentes) The RMA has committed \$1 million to the development of a new location 1.3 mile, 2-lane minor arterial roadway extension from Los Presidentes to Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur within a nominal ROW width of 90' in partnership with the City. The project will provide a parallel

route to Cuatro Vientos and provide additional access to the new Laredo Sports Complex and the Municipal Water Park. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement (ILA) between the City and the RMA. The RMA is working with the City and the property owners for the donation of the ROW and the finalization of the construction cost estimate for the project. The RMA recommitted its support in funding on the project February 14, 2024, at the February Board Meeting. On November 6, 2024, the WC-CL RMA Board of Directors passed a resolution to sign the ILA between the City and the WC-CL RMA for this project. The City Council approved the ILA on 2/18/25. The City, the Webb County Drainage District and the WC-CL RMA have signed the agreement, and the ILA is fully executed. The design of the project is ongoing. The engineer anticipates a design submittal to the City of Laredo within the next 2 months. The ROW acquisition is ongoing. The draft parcel plats have been submitted to the City and the City is moving forward with the landowner coordination for acquisition. The City, the WC-CL RMA, the property owners/ developers and Top Site, their civil engineer, met on 5/12/2025 to discuss the progress of the property donation and the status of the project design. The donation agreements are on-going in development and the design is currently at 75% completion.

6. North Laredo and Cuatro Vientos Transportation Reinvestment Zones (TRZ) - The RMA is awaiting execution of the ILA with the City to commence the North Laredo TRZ Study. The City notified the WC-CL RMA on 2/13/24 that the City will move forward with drafting and distributing the ILA to the WC-CL RMA and commence the project. The City Council approved a resolution to negotiate and execute the ILA with the WC-CL RMA on 2/18/2025. The North Laredo TRZ Study ILA is pending a final signature from the City of Laredo for full execution as of 3/19/2025. Regarding the Cuatro Vientos TRZ, the City would like to commence the process of implementing the TRZ with support from the WC-CL RMA. The RMA and the City will commence negotiation of the ILA to codify the agency roles for the implementation. On November 6, 2024, the WC-CL RMA Board of Directors passed a resolution to sign the ILA for the creation of the Cuatro Vientos TRZ between the City and the WC-CL RMA. The City Council approved a

resolution to negotiate and execute the ILA with the WC-CL RMA on 2/18/2025. The Cuatro Vientos TRZ ILA is executed as of 3/19/2025. The WC-CL RMA and the City of Laredo conducted an implementation kick-off meeting on 6/12/2025.

#### 7. Other Items:

The WC-CL RMA conducted a Board meeting on 6/4/2025.

There were no questions from the Committee members.

#### B. TxDOT Project Updates.

Mr. Jose Vargas, TxDOT Laredo Area Engineer, provided a summary update on ongoing TxDOT construction projects. He reported that there were approximately \$818 million in active contracts across 22 ongoing projects in the area. He outlined the scope of work

across these projects, which included full roadway reconstruction and widening, offsystem bridge improvements, upgrades to interstate standards, safety enhancements (including illumination and traffic signals), and preventive maintenance work such as overlays, mills and inlays, and seal coats.

CSJ: 0086-14-075 - US 59 Expansion

Mr. Vargas, reported that the total investment for this project was \$344 million and it was approximately 27.5% complete. The expected completion date was by the end of 2029. He noted recent work at the intersection connecting to the northern frontage road at Kupusculo, where a one-month closure allowed for the installation of retaining walls in preparation for elevated mainlane ramps.

CSJ: 3483-02-002 - SH 84 (Hachar/Reuthinger Road)

This project was 36% complete with a total investment of \$122 million and an anticipated completion in Fall 2027. Ongoing work included pouring bridge slabs and cement-treated base operations, with concrete pavement activities scheduled to begin in the coming months.

CSJ: 0086-01-073 - SH 359 Widening

Mr. Vargas, stated that this project was 60% complete, with a total cost of \$50 million. Work continued on processing the base and placing the intermediate layer eastbound toward Hebbronville. The project limits extended four miles east of Loop 20.

CSJ: 0086-16-008 - Lomas Del Sur Overpass

Mr. Vargas, noted that coordination for the groundbreaking ceremony was ongoing between TxDOT's Public Information Office (PIO) and the City of Laredo's PIO. The ceremony had been postponed to accommodate key attendees, with a tentative project start date in mid-July. Some details related to retaining walls were still being finalized with the contractor. The project cost was \$50 million.

CM. Rangel, inquired about the reason for the groundbreaking delay.

Mr. Vargas, explained that the contractor had requested clarification on specific plan details related to the retaining wall. TxDOT aimed to resolve those issues prior to construction to prevent disruptions.

CSJ: 3586-02-006 - SH 255 Rehabilitation

The project was 19% complete, with a total investment of \$25 million and located eight miles east of IH-35. The base had been prepared for the passing lanes, with treatment and rehabilitation of the existing roadway scheduled to begin by the end of June.

CSJ: 0086-16-019 - Traffic Signal & Illumination Project

Mr. Vargas, shared that a new traffic signal and high-mast illumination would be installed on the southern portion of Cuatro Vientos, from Mangana Hein to Cielito Lindo. Additionally, a traffic signal installation was planned at IH-69 and Riverbank, with a tentative start date of October 2025.

# CSJ: 0018-06-181 - Anderson Mill & Inlay

This multi-location project would begin in Duval County, with one of the key locations being in Laredo for a mill and inlay along the IH-35 southbound mainlanes, from Shiloh to the concrete pavement in the four-block area. Mr. Vargas stated that he would provide updates with specific dates once the contractor schedule was finalized for Webb County.

# Additional Safety Projects:

Mr. Vargas, mentioned new traffic signals at McPherson Road and Alta Vista Drive, as well as illumination on SH 359 from US 83 to Loop 20, near the Tractor Supply area.

CM. Rangel, asked for clarification on the exact location of the SH 359 illumination.

Mr. Vargas, stated that it was located in the Three Points area, beginning at the SH 359/US 83 junction and extending to Loop 20. He noted that the illumination poles had already been installed.

Mr. Mendive, inquired about the traffic signal at McPherson and Alta Vista, asking for confirmation on the location and who requested it, citing a prior inquiry from CM. Ruben Gutierrez.

Mr. Vargas, confirmed that the installation was coordinated with the City of Laredo and stated he would follow up with Mr. Mendive and provide a detailed status update on the project.

Mr. Mendive, informed the Committee that Mr. Kenneth Duncan, Lead Utility Coordinator for TxDOT Laredo, had a brief update to share.

Mr. Kenneth Duncan, Lead Utility Coordinator for TxDOT Laredo, announced that the TxDOT Laredo District would be featured during this year's TxDOT Right-of-Way (ROW) Utility Week Conference, scheduled for November 17–19 at Kalahari Resorts in Round Rock, TX. He shared that the conference registration fee was \$500 per attendee, plus lodging expenses. The Laredo Area District Engineering team was scheduled to give a presentation on the second day of the event, highlighting Laredo's efforts and accomplishments. The conference theme would be Driving Innovation: The Future of Communication, Collaboration, and Coordination. Mr. Duncan, extended an invitation to

the committee members to attend the event, which would bring together utility providers, utility coordinators (UCs), TxDOT representatives, and consulting firms from across Texas.

CM. Perez, asked Mr. Mendive if he could poll the Policy Committee to determine interest and availability among its members. She also inquired about the availability of travel funding through the MPO.

Mr. Mendive, confirmed that travel funds were available through the MPO, though he would need to verify whether the conference expenses fell within the guidelines for MPO travel funding.

Mr. Duncan, stated that he would send an email with the conference details to the MPO so it could be distributed to the committee. He noted that conference registration would open in July, at which time attendees could also book accommodations. He mentioned that there was also an opportunity for the City of Laredo to host a booth, allowing them to further highlight their efforts. The booth fee would be \$1,000, which included two full registrations.

CM. Rangel, asked whether attendees would be coming from across the state.

Mr. Duncan, confirmed this, stating that utility coordinators from throughout Texas, along with TxDOT officials and consultants, regularly gather at this conference to discuss ongoing issues such as agreements, permit systems, rule updates, and best practices. He noted that  $\Box$ A Engineering and other consulting firms from Laredo had attended the conference the previous year.

CM. Rangel, asked if the conference was held annually.

Mr. Duncan, confirmed that it was an annual event, and additionally shared that the Laredo District Utility Coordinators also hold their own annual utility tour, which takes place in the fall. This road trip-style event begins in Laredo, continues north, and ends in Carrizo Springs, including meetings with cities, utility providers, and consulting groups along the way. He stated that the next utility tour was scheduled for September 10th, and that an invitation would be shared with the committee in case members were interested in attending.

## VI. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Director's Report June 18, 2025

Mr. Mendive, MPO Director, presented the following Director's Report as part of the package.

# 1. MPO 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Call for Projects:

- On March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025, the MPO Policy Committee authorized the TASA Call for Projects.
- The MPO team, in coordination with TxDOT, held two workshops in April for prospective applicants of the ongoing TASA Call for Projects.
- The TASA Call for Projects officially opened on April 11th and closed on May 30th.
- Two project applications were received. The next steps include preliminary review and scoring of the projects. An evaluation committee will score the projects in July and make recommendations to the Technical and Policy Committee.

# 2. Texas Transportation Commission Meetings:

- June 20, 2025
- July 31, 2025
- August 21, 2025

A calendar invite for the upcoming Texas Transportation Commission meeting was sent by email. The July and August calendar invites will also be sent. The MPO Director and Mayor Pro-Tempore and Council Member District VII, Vanessa Perez will be attending the upcoming meeting in June.

Upcoming Texas Transportation Commission meetings and agendas can be found on the following link: <a href="https://www.txdot.gov/about/leadership/texas-transportation-commission/meeting-dates-agendas.html">https://www.txdot.gov/about/leadership/texas-transportation-commission/meeting-dates-agendas.html</a>

## 3. Upcoming regularly scheduled MPO meetings:

- Active Transportation Committee June 25, 2025
- Technical Committee July 8, 2025
- Policy Committee July 16, 2025

There were no questions from the Committee members.

## VII. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications from the Committee members.

# VIII. ADJOURNMENT

CM. Rangel, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 P.M.

Second:

CM. Perez

For:

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Against:

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Abstained:

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Motion carried unanimously.

Juan S. Mendive, AICP

LWCAMPO Director

Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño LWCAMPO Chairperson