



LAREDO & WEBB COUNTY

AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

POLICY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2026

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I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Dr. Treviño, Chairperson, 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 Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge and LWCAMPO Vice-Chairperson

Honorable Vanessa Perez, District VII – *arrived at 1:38 PM*

Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1 - *arrived at 1:31 PM*

Mr. Epigmenio “Epi” Gonzalez, P.E., TxDOT District Engineer

Mr. Jed A. Brown, Member-At-Large

Regular Members Not Present:

Honorable Ricardo “Richie” Rangel Jr. City Councilmember, District II

Honorable Ruben Gutierrez Jr., City Councilmember, District V

Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3

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:

Ramon Chavez, COL Assistant City Manager
Vanessa Guerra, COL Planning
Eliud De Los Santos, COL Engineering
Eloisa Mascorro, El Metro Transit
Sara Garza, TxDOT
Luis Villarreal, TxDOT
Jesus Saavedra, TxDOT
Ana Duncan, TxDOT
Jose Vargas, TxDOT
Adelaido Uribe, Webb County Judge's Office
Anthony Garza, Webb County Consultant
Melissa Montemayor, WC-CL RMA/LJA Engineering
Blasita Lopez, WC-CL RMA/LJA Engineering
Jason Rodriguez, LJA Engineering
Antonio Rodriguez, LJA Engineering
Orlando Navarro, Killam Development
Roberto Rodriguez – Citizen
James Walker – Citizen
Victor Treviño Jr. – Citizen

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 November 19, 2025.

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to **approve** the minutes of November 19, 2025.

Second: Mr. Brown
For: 5
Against: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-01, adopting the proposed amendment(s) to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mr. Mendive, MPO Director, presented the item.

Mayor Treviño, asked if anyone was present to speak for or against the item.

There were no comments received.

Mr. Mendive, addressed the Committee and stated that the item had previously been presented at the November 2025 meeting, at which time a public comment period was opened. He reported that no public comments were received during that period. Mr. Mendive, explained that the item before the Committee was an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He reminded the Committee that all TIP documents are incorporated into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), and that the TIP may be amended by the Policy Committee at any time during its lifecycle. He stated that the proposed amendment was requested by TxDOT under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Program, a federal grant program established to fund the installation, operation, and maintenance of direct current fast-charging stations throughout the State of Texas. The amendment pertained to the single NEVI project awarded within the Laredo-Webb County Metropolitan Planning Area. Mr. Mendive, explained that the purpose of the amendment was to revise the project details, including the project description, project sponsor, project location, and federal funding amounts, as requested by TxDOT. The project was moved to Fiscal Year 2026, and the charging station was identified to be located at 6627 San Dario. The project sponsor was listed as Tesla, Inc., and the total year-of-expenditure cost was \$835,484, which included operations and maintenance.

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-01, adopting the proposed amendment(s) to the 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Second: CM. Gonzalez

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-02, adopting the proposed revision(s) to the 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Mayor Treviño, asked if anyone was present to speak for or against the item.

There were no comments received.

Mr. Mendive, stated that this item was similar to the previous agenda item. He explained that when an amendment is made to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), a corresponding amendment must also be made to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). He informed the Committee that the project was currently listed in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and was the same project previously discussed under the TIP amendment. The purpose of this amendment was to revise the project details, including the project description, sponsor, location, and federal funding amounts, as requested by TxDOT. Mr. Mendive, clarified that while the format and appearance of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan project list differs from that of the TIP, the project details remained unchanged from those previously presented. He concluded by recommending approval of the resolution, provided there were no questions from the Committee.

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-02, adopting the proposed revision(s) to the 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Second: CM. Gonzalez
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

D. Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-03, adopting and supporting the 2026 Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Safety Performance Measures (PM1) and Targets.

Mr. Mendive, stated that this was an item brought before the Committee annually in January for the adoption of the State's safety targets. He explained that Mr. Bernal, would provide a brief overview of the Performance Measure 1 (PM1) safety targets and present them for the Committee's review.

Mr. Eduardo Bernal, MPO Planner, greeted the Mayor, Vice Chair, and members of the Policy Committee and proceeded with the presentation. Mr. Bernal, presented the Performance Measure 1 (PM1) safety measures and targets for Calendar Year 2026. He stated that the MPO annually supports TxDOT's recommended safety targets, which are updated each year in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration, FTA and

TxDOT. Mr. Bernal, explained that, in addition to the federal highway performance measures, there are mandates from the Federal Transit Administration, including the Transit Asset Management Plan, which consists of four measures that are also updated annually. He further stated that the Federal Highway Administration has three performance measure mandates. The item being presented pertained specifically to the Safety Performance Measures (PM1), which include five core measures and are updated annually by MPOs in coordination with TxDOT. The remaining two federal highway performance measures are updated every two years and were completed the previous year; therefore, they would not be updated again in 2026. Mr. Bernal, reviewed the five core safety measures and corresponding statewide targets for Calendar Year 2026. The target for the number of traffic fatalities was 4,506, with a fatality rate of 1.44 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled. The target for the number of serious injuries was 18,884, with a serious injury rate of 6.30 per 100 million vehicle miles traveled. The target for the number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries was 2,802. He informed the Committee that the PM1 measures are required to be updated annually and noted that the target adoption deadline was February 27, 2026. Mr. Bernal, concluded the presentation and asked if there were any questions from the Committee.

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to approve Resolution No. MPO 2026-03, adopting and supporting the 2026 Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Safety Performance Measures (PM1) and Targets.

Second: CM. Perez
For: 6
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

E. Discussion with possible action on programming \$950,000 in Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Redistribution Program funds to the PS&E phase of the I-35 Interchange at Vallecillo Road project, in coordination with TxDOT, and leveraging an additional \$950,000 in Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) funds for the project.

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to program \$950,000 in Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Redistribution Program funds to the PS&E phase of the I-35 Interchange at Vallecillo Road project, in coordination with TxDOT, and leveraging an additional \$950,000 in Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

Second: CM. Perez
For: 6
Against: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Mr. Jed Brown, Chairman of the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA), provided an update on the major projects, as outlined in the report included in the meeting packet. He also informed the Committee of an additional item not reflected in the report. Mr. Brown, stated that the RMA was prepared to move forward with the joint City of Laredo and Webb County Area Freight Study. He explained that the study had been discussed for some time and that the RMA had been awaiting confirmation of funding participation from the City of Laredo. He noted that funding was now available and that the project had come to the RMA through the City and the MPO for partnership. He further stated that it had been several years since the area freight study was last updated and confirmed that, to his understanding, funding had now been approved by all three entities. The RMA was ready to proceed once the City of Laredo and the MPO were prepared to move forward.

Mr. Brown, indicated that the report also included updates on Vision Zero and Vallecillo for the Committee's review. He then addressed the overpass project, clarifying that although it is a TxDOT project, the RMA had worked to help secure additional funding. He stated that the RMA had committed \$950,000 in matching funds, bringing the total available to \$1.9 million to assist TxDOT with continuing the design phase of the overpass. Additionally, Mr. Brown, reported that the RMA Board had approved an item earlier that morning to apply for a grant to obtain design funding for the overpass. He noted that approximately \$50,000 would be expended between the present time and the end of the following month to prepare and submit the grant application. While acknowledging that grant awards are not guaranteed, he emphasized the RMA's commitment to pursuing all available funding opportunities to advance the project.

Mr. Brown, further informed the Committee that the RMA had been notified that it was unsuccessful in its application for a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) implementation grant. He stated that only one application within the State of Texas had been funded and that numerous entities statewide had been eligible to apply. He explained that less than \$1 billion had been awarded nationwide, with the average grant request being approximately \$20 million, making the competition highly competitive. He noted that a debrief with federal officials was scheduled to better understand the outcome and identify potential improvements for future applications. Mr. Brown, stated that the team had been proud of the submitted proposal, particularly the level of community involvement and the safety-related projects identified to help reduce fatalities and serious injuries. He expressed disappointment in not receiving the award but affirmed the

RMA's intent to pursue future funding opportunities. He offered to provide an update to the Committee following the federal debriefing and to outline next steps for continuing the safety initiatives.

Judge Tijerina, inquired whether the grant referenced was a federal or state grant.

Mr. Brown, clarified that it was a federal grant under the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program. He explained that while funding had previously been awarded for the development of safety action plans, the implementation funding sought in this application was significantly more limited than anticipated. Mr. Brown, stated that although the RMA was unsuccessful in securing the implementation grant, efforts to advance safety initiatives within the community would continue. He emphasized that numerous safety improvements had been identified through the planning process and that advancing those projects remained a priority for all involved entities. He noted that the grant application represented a collaborative effort among the RMA, the City of Laredo, the MPO, and Webb County. The effort spanned approximately one year and included extensive public meetings and community engagement. Mr. Brown expressed pride in the comprehensive and coordinated work completed by the team, despite the outcome of the grant application. He concluded by stating that the RMA would continue evaluating next steps following the federal debriefing and would remain committed to pursuing funding opportunities to implement the identified safety projects.

Judge Tijerina, referred to the earlier update regarding the Freight Transportation Mobility Study and asked for clarification on the total cost of the study and the starting funding amount.

Mr. Brown, responded that the total cost of the study was \$600,000. He stated that the RMA had committed \$200,000 toward the study, the City of Laredo had allocated \$150,000, and the MPO had committed \$250,000. He further noted that, to his understanding, these funds had already been budgeted by the respective entities.

Mr. Mendive, added that the MPO had programmed \$250,000 in the work program for a freight study. He explained that the intention was to partner with the City of Laredo and the RMA to help fast-track the project and expand its scope. He noted that the City also planned to include a truck route study component as part of the effort. Mr. Mendive, clarified that the MPO had originally planned to conduct the freight study as a standalone project, but discussions with the RMA and the City allowed for a collaborative approach, increasing the resources and overall scope. He emphasized that, while the \$250,000 was programmed, the MPO Policy Committee had not yet taken action to enter into formal agreements with the RMA and the City, and that such agreements would be presented for consideration at a later date.

Judge Tijerina, asked whether the freight study would include data on the number of trucks entering and exiting the area, noting that he was interested in a comprehensive overview.

Mr. Brown, responded that, based on explanations he had received earlier and previously, the study would be very comprehensive. He stated that it originally focused on downtown traffic but had since expanded to address traffic congestion issues throughout the community, including key areas such as Carriers, Unitec and Uniroyal. He suggested that a representative from LJA provide further explanation of the study's full scope.

Jason Rodriguez, LJA Engineering, representing the RMA, provided additional details regarding the freight study. He explained that, as Mr. Mendive, had mentioned, a freight study for the MPO area was already programmed in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). At the same time, the City of Laredo expressed interest in conducting a truck route study. The decision was made to combine both efforts into a single, coordinated study. Mr. Rodriguez, stated that, with the RMA's geographic area covering the entire County, the study would examine freight movement across Webb County, including traffic at the international bridges and throughout the region. The study would also incorporate future projections based on the MPO's transportation model, allowing for analysis of anticipated changes to roadways and freight patterns over time. One expected outcome of the study would be the identification of priority locations for targeted investments to improve freight traffic efficiency in the region. Additionally, the study would produce a truck route system within the City of Laredo to guide freight movement and support long-term transportation planning.

Judge Tijerina, asked for clarification regarding the County's involvement, noting that he wanted to ensure resources were being spent appropriately.

Mr. Brown, responded that the County had not been formally asked to participate. He explained that the project originated from the City of Laredo and the MPO, and that the decision to combine efforts with the RMA and the City allowed for a more comprehensive study with shared resources. He added that the outcome of the study would provide benefits for the entire region and noted that future coordination with the County would be considered to ensure all relevant stakeholders are included.

Mr. Ramon Chavez, Assistant City Manager, stated that the initiative originated from a City of Laredo agenda item in the previous year, during which the City was directed to explore the development of a potential truck route study. He explained that, following that direction, the City engaged in discussions with the RMA regarding collaboration and incorporation of the study components. Mr. Chavez, further stated that the City was currently reviewing the proposed scope of work in coordination with the Finance Department to determine the appropriate funding mechanism to support participation in the study.

CM. Perez, asked Mr. Chavez to clarify his statement regarding the City not having a funding mechanism identified for the study.

Mr. Chavez, explained that the City was currently working with its Finance Department to determine what funding sources might be available to support the project. He stated that while a specific funding mechanism had not yet been finalized, the City was actively coordinating internally to secure the necessary funds to participate in the study.

Mr. Brown, stated that he had previously understood that funding was available and noted some uncertainty regarding the current status.

Mr. Chavez reiterated that the City was in the process of identifying and securing the appropriate funding source.

CM. Perez, expressed concern that the absence of a clearly identified funding mechanism could potentially delay the project.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

The following report was included as part of the packet:

WC-CL RMA January 2026 Status Report to LWCAMPO

1. ***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 – This project is being led by the TxDOT Laredo District Office (LRD). It has an estimated construction cost of \$130M and is programmed for an FY 2030 letting per the Draft 2026 UTP. To date, the project is not fully funded for construction. The MPO has allocated \$16M of Category 2 funds to the construction of the project; thus, the project still has a \$114M funding gap. The TxDOT LRD hosts a quarterly meeting with the City of Laredo, WC-CL RMA, Webb County, and the Killam Company to discuss the status of progress of the various sections of Vallecillo Road that is ongoing. At the last quarterly meeting that occurred on the week of August 19, 2025, TxDOT LRD is on track for PS&E to commence of FY 2030. On November 20, 2025, the WC-CL RMA, City of Laredo, Webb County and the TxDOT LRD met with Alex Meade of the Texas Transportation Commission to provide a status of the ongoing projects that will connect with the Vallecillo Overpass and discuss the need for design and construction funding. The Commissioner provided an update on the current funding levels through the State of Texas, and provided guidance of possible funding opportunities the community can explore to advance the project. The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for January 2026.***
4. ***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 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 is coordinating a meeting with the property owners to advance the donation agreement. The design is greater than 90% complete.

5. **North Laredo Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ)** - *The North Laredo TRZ Study ILA is fully executed and in effect as of February 19, 2025. Currently, the WC-CL RMA is coordinating with the City of Laredo Director of Community Development, Ms. Tina Rodriguez, to commence meeting with the respective City of Laredo Department heads in January. The anticipated completion of the study is 6/1/2026.*
6. **Cuatro Vientos Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ)** - *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 Cuatro Vientos TRZ ILA was 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. On 6/24/2025, the WC-CL RMA Team individually met with staff from various departments of the City of Laredo including Planning and Zoning, Engineering, Traffic, Economic Development, Finance, Budget and the Tax Departments to explain the implementation process and describe the roles of each department in the process. Currently, the WC-CL RMA is coordinating with the City of Laredo Director of Community Development, Ms. Tina Rodriguez, to commence meeting with the respective City of Laredo Department heads in January. The project is anticipated to be complete by 6/1/2026.*
7. **Other Items:**
 - *The WC-CL RMA is conducting a Board meeting on January 21, 2026.*

There were no questions from the Policy Committee on this report.

B. TxDOT Project Updates

Mr. Jose Vargas, TxDOT Laredo Area Engineer, provided a quick overview on ongoing TxDOT construction projects. He reported that TxDOT currently had approximately \$700 million in active construction contracts, representing 20 active projects throughout Webb County and Duval County. He further stated that 15 projects had been completed and accepted during the previous calendar year. He noted that during his prior presentation, the total amount under contract had exceeded \$100 million, and since that time, several projects had been closed while new projects had been initiated. Mr. Vargas, explained that the scope of the active projects varied and included full roadway reconstructions, roadway widenings, safety improvement contracts, and upgrades of highways to interstate standards.

CSJ: 0086-14-075 – US 59 Expansion

Mr. Vargas, reported the project was awarded to James Construction Group with a total construction investment of \$344 million. The anticipated completion date remains the end of 2029. He stated that the project was approximately 35% complete. Ongoing work includes the placement of concrete pavement, construction of retaining walls, and installation of bridge components, including drilled shafts. Crews are also working on intersection tie-ins on the east side of Loop 20. Mr. Vargas, indicated that a traffic switch was anticipated around mid-year, approximately June or July.

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

Mr. Vargas, reported that a layer of hot mix asphalt had been placed from end to end of the project limits. The contractor was in the process of installing reinforcing steel. He stated that five of the six bridges associated with the project had been completed. TxDOT was coordinating with the contractor to begin placing concrete pavement, which was anticipated to start in mid-February. Mr. Vargas, also noted that work would take place along Mines Road to complete the connection from Hachar Road to Mines Road as part of the project improvements.

CM. Perez, asked whether the programmed completion date for the project was Fall 2027.

Mr. Vargas clarified that Fall 2027 remained the official contract completion date; however, the project was currently ahead of schedule, and TxDOT was targeting completion by the end of the current year.

Judge Tijerina, inquired whether any significant change orders had been issued for the project.

Mr. Vargas, responded that two change orders had been processed. One involved specifying a different type of rail, and the other was minor in nature. He stated that the changes were minimal relative to the overall project cost and did not represent substantial additional expenditures.

CM. Perez, asked whether any utility-related issues, including AEP line relocations, could potentially delay the project.

Mr. Vargas, explained that while the AEP transmission line had not yet been fully adjusted at the time of his last site visit, the contractor proposed and implemented an alternative construction method to mitigate impacts and avoid delays. TxDOT worked with the contractor to approve the modified approach, which allowed construction to continue.

Mr. Gonzalez, TxDOT District Engineer, added that although progress had been made, utility conflicts remained a concern. He noted that the timing of power outages required

for transmission line adjustments is limited due to seasonal energy demand. He emphasized the urgency of resolving outstanding utility adjustments, as unresolved conflicts could delay final project completion and the opening of the roadway to traffic.

Ms. Anna Duncan, TxDOT Project Manager, provided an update on utility coordination. She stated that the AEP transmission line work had been completed, pending final confirmation letter from the City. Once confirmation was received, TxDOT would finalize documentation and address any associated costs attributable to the City. Ms. Duncan, further explained that an additional utility issue involved AEP distribution poles along FM 1472, which also carried Spectrum lines. While AEP had installed the new underground lines, Spectrum must relocate its attachments before the existing poles could be removed. The presence of the remaining poles constitutes a conflict and could delay project completion if not resolved.

CM. Perez, asked whether the Spectrum relocation was the City's responsibility, and Ms. Duncan confirmed that it was.

Mr. Chavez stated that the City would follow up with Spectrum to obtain a schedule for relocating the lines and removing the old poles. He indicated that he did not anticipate a significant issue but acknowledged the importance of avoiding delays to the TxDOT contractor.

CM. Perez, requested that an update be provided at the next meeting to ensure the matter was addressed in a timely manner.

CSJ: 0086-01-073 – SH 359 Widening

Mr. Vargas, stated that the contractor, Anderson Columbia, had completed approximately 72% of the work. Current activities include placement of flexible base in sections of the roadway, followed by hot mix asphalt to complete the pavement. Remaining work includes installation of rails and miscellaneous items. The total investment in the project was \$50 million, and the expected completion is spring 2026.

Judge Tijerina, asked whether there had been a decrease in accidents along SH 359, given prior safety concerns and ongoing construction.

Mr. Vargas, confirmed that accident rates had declined and stated that once traffic was shifted to the new divided highway, safety conditions were expected to improve further.

Judge Tijerina, noted that accidents previously occurred almost monthly and observed that traffic behavior appeared more cautious during construction.

Mayor Treviño, raised a concern about turning lanes into subdivisions along SH 359, where traffic congestion prevents safe turns.

Mr. Vargas, indicated that TxDOT could review the intersections in coordination with the City of Laredo, which maintains the traffic signals.

CM. Gonzalez, suggested specific areas, including San Enrique and San Carlos. He then shifted the discussion to another area of the city. He noted concerns while traveling westbound from Loop 20 into the Track 3 Points area, explaining that lane striping during sunset can be confusing and potentially hazardous. He described how changes to medians and lane markings over time have contributed to driver confusion.

Mr. Vargas, acknowledged the issue and stated that TxDOT would assess the area, including the possibility of adding shadow striping to improve lane visibility during critical times of the day. He stated that something will be done about the issue.

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

Mr. Vargas, provided an update on project. The contractor, Anderson Columbia, was managing a \$50 million investment and the project was currently 16% completed. Ongoing work includes removal of the existing barrier and preparation for the center barrier. Construction crews were also preparing the base for the new frontage road and creating space to begin building the overpass at the intersection of Lomas Del Sur. The expected completion date for the project is April 2028.

CSJ: 3596-02-006 – SH 255 Rehabilitation

Mr. Vargas, reported that reconstruction had been completed and that the intermediate layer of hot mix had been placed. The final surface was still pending. At the time of the report, the project was 63% complete, with an expected completion in fall 2026. The total investment for the project was \$25 million.

Mr. Vargas, noted that TxDOT had active projects throughout the city and reminded the public to exercise caution and patience around construction zones.

There were no further questions from the Committee.

VI. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Director's Report January 21, 2026

Mr. Mendive, MPO Director, presented the following report, which was included in the meeting packet:

1. MPO Staff Updates:

- On January 7th, the MPO Director virtually joined the South Segment Working Group meeting for TxDOT's I-35 Texas Corridor Study: A Path to 2050 from the Oklahoma to Mexico borders.

- The MPO is coordinating with TxDOT Laredo District on an administrative amendment to the 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Illustrative Project List to add the Green Corridors project for reference purposes. Adding the project to the MTP whether by reference or to a project list, is necessary for the project sponsor to secure approval from the Texas Transportation Commission for an international bridge project.
- TxDOT Laredo District has also requested an administrative revision to the 2025-2050 MTP Illustrative Projects List to add project CSJ 0542-01-105 to construct new location extension of US 59 corridor 4-lane divided and direct connectors (future I-69 W) from Shiloh Dr. to 7.5 miles east of US59/SL20 intersection. Adding projects to the Illustrative Projects List of the MTP does not require formal Policy Committee action and may be added administratively.

2. Texas Transportation Commission Meetings:

- January 29, 2026
- February 26, 2026
- March 25, 2026

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

3. TxDOT Border Trade Advisory Committee (BTAC) Meeting:

- The BTAC will be meeting in Eagle Pass on February 10, 2026.
- BTAC provides a forum for the exchange of communications between the Texas Transportation Commission, TxDOT, the governor, and committee members representing border trade interests.
- BTAC information and agendas can be found at the following link: <https://www.txdot.gov/about/advisory-committees/border-trade-advisory-committee.html#meetings>

4. Upcoming regularly scheduled MPO meetings:

- Active Transportation Committee – January 28, 2026
- Technical Committee – February 10, 2026
- Policy Committee – February 18, 2026

There were no questions regarding the report.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

CM. Perez, took the opportunity to formally recognize Mr. Roberto Rodriguez for his service at TxDOT. She stated that the Committee wished to honor Mr. Rodriguez at the next MPO Policy Committee meeting and also at City Council, acknowledging his many years of dedication and significant contributions to the community. She expressed her personal appreciation for having had the pleasure of collaborating with him and thanked him for his hard work.

Mr. Roberto Rodriguez, responded, expressing his appreciation for the recognition. He stated that it had been an honor to work with the committee and the City to accomplish important projects for Laredo. Although retired, he indicated that he would remain engaged as a concerned citizen and continue to support the community in any way he could.

Judge Tijerina, added that, on behalf of Webb County, they sincerely thanked Mr. Rodriguez for his service, congratulated him on his well-deserved retirement, and wished him enjoyment in the coming weeks, noting that he would likely be quickly recruited for new opportunities.

Mayor Treviño also expressed his gratitude, thanking Mr. Rodriguez for his years of dedicated service.

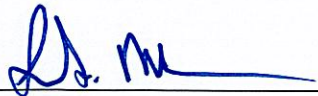
All members of the Policy Committee thanked Mr. Rodriguez for his service.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:14 P.M.

Second: CM. Perez
For: 6
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.



Juan S. Mendive, AICP
LWCAMPO Director



Mayor Dr. Victor D. Treviño
LWCAMPO Chairperson