

MPO Policy Board
Thursday, February 15, 2024
 South Waco Community Center
 Large Conference Room, 1:30 p.m.
 2815 Speight Ave, Waco, Texas



Summary Notes

Policy Board Members Present:

Jacob Bell	Citizen Representative, City of Waco
Josh Borderud	Council Member District Three, City of Waco
Jed Cole	Plan Commission, City of Waco
Deidra Emerson	Deputy Manager, City of Waco
Kevin Evans	City Manager, City of McGregor
Scott Felton	County Judge, McLennan County
Jim Holmes	Council Member District Five, City of Waco
Jim Jaska	Mayor, City of Ross
Craig Lemin	City Manager, City of Robinson
Dillon Meek	Mayor, City of Waco
Stan Swiatek	District Engineer, Texas Dept. of Transportation, Waco District
Everett "Bo" Thomas	City Manager, City of Hewitt
Yost Zakhary	City Manager, City of Bellmead

Policy Board Members Absent:

Andrea Barefield	Council Member District One, City of Waco
Darius Ewing	Council Member District Four, City of Waco
Calvin Hodde	City Manager, City of Lacy Lakeview
Will Jones	County Commissioner, Pct. 3, McLennan County
Shawn Oubre	City Manager, City of Hewitt

Staff Present:

Mukesh Kumar	Director, Waco MPO
Arthur Chambers	Senior Planner, Waco MPO
Annette Polk	Senior Planner, Waco MPO
Nora Roy	Senior Planner, Waco MPO
Bill Frawley	Research Assistant, Waco MPO

Others Present:

Jessica Attas	Chief Executive Officer, Prosper Waco
Amy Burlarley-Hyland	Director of Public Works, City of Waco
Paul Cain	Assistant City Manager, City of Waco

Mike Copeland	Reporter, Waco Tribune-Herald
Victor Goebel	Director, Transportation Planning and Programming, Texas Dept. of Transportation, Waco District
Matt Kyle	Reporter, Waco Tribune-Herald
Jordan Everhart	Transportation Planning Lead, HDR
Brenton Lane*	Planning and Programming Engineer, Texas Department of Transportation, Waco District
Barbara Maley*	Transportation Planning Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration, Texas Division
Suzette May	Representative for Bicycle/Pedestrian Work Group
Susanne Nemmer	Administrative Assistant, Pct. 3, McLennan County
Jake Smith	Public Information Officer, Texas Department of Transportation, Waco District
Clayton Zacha	Waco Area Engineer, Texas Dept. of Transportation, Waco District

*Attended virtually

1. Call to Order, Proof of Posting.

Chair Josh Borderud called the February 15, 2024, meeting of the MPO Policy Board to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum of members was met.

Meeting agendas were posted on the MPO website on February 7, 2024 and at the City of Waco website on February 8, 2024 noting a possible quorum of the Waco City Council.

Council Member Josh Borderud called the February 15, 2024 meeting of the City Council of the City of Waco to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum of members was met.

2. Public Hearing regarding any discussion or action item on this agenda.

Visitors were invited to address the Policy Board regarding any action or discussion item identified on this agenda. No visitors approached the Board.

3. Approval of the January 18, 2024, meeting minutes.

Minutes were approved as submitted.

4. Consideration and Action regarding approval of Resolution 2024-3: Adoption of revisions to the Waco MPO Public Participation Plan (PPP).

a. Background

b. Public Hearing

Chairman Borderud opened the public hearing at 1:35 p.m.
No visitors submitted comments for or against this item.
Chairman Borderud closed the public hearing at 1:35 p.m.

c. Consideration and Action

RESULT:	Motion to approve passed with a 13 – 0 [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Jim Holmes
SECONDER:	Everett “Bo” Thomas

5. **Consideration and Action** regarding approval of Resolution 2024-4: Waco MPO Policy Board support of roadway safety targets for calendar year 2023 established by the Texas Department of Transportation.

a. [Background](#)

b. **Public Hearing**

Chairman Borderud opened the public hearing at 1:41 p.m.
No visitors submitted comments for or against this item.
Chairman Borderud closed the public hearing at 1:41 p.m.

c. Consideration and Action

RESULT:	Motion to approve passed with a 13 – 0 [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Jim Holmes
SECONDER:	Jacob Bell

6. **Consideration and Action** regarding approval of Resolution 2024-5: Waco MPO Policy Board support of public transportation safety targets for calendar year 2024 established by Waco Transit System, Inc.

a. [Background](#)

b. **Public Hearing**

Chairman Borderud opened the public hearing at 1:44 p.m.
No visitors submitted comments for or against this item.
Chairman Borderud closed the public hearing at 1:44 p.m.

c. Consideration and Action

RESULT:	Motion to approve passed with a 13 – 0 [Unanimous]
MOVER:	Scott Felton
SECONDER:	Jim Holmes

7. **Update and Discussion** on 2050 MTP “Call for Proposal Framework and Project Evaluation Criteria.”

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Mukesh Kumar, Bill Frawley, Amy Burlarley-Hyland, and Stan Swiatek.

RESULT:	Discussed; Policy Board directed staff to provide members with email links to participate in project evaluation criteria priority weighting process.
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8. **Update and Discussion** on current grant efforts.

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Mukesh Kumar.

RESULT:	Discussed
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9. **Update and Discussion** on the MPO redesignation.

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Mukesh Kumar.

RESULT:	Discussed
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10. **Update and Discussion** from the Technical Advisory Committee.

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Amy Burlarley-Hyland, Director of Public Works, City of Waco

RESULT:	Discussed
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11. Update and Discussion from the Texas Department of Transportation regarding significant highway construction within the Waco Metropolitan Area.

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Clayton Zacha, Waco Area Engineer, TxDOT, Waco District.

RESULT:	Discussed
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12. Work Group Updates.

Citizen’s Participation Work Group – not currently active
Bicycle and Pedestrian Work Group
Connected and Automated Vehicle Work Group
Mobility, Land Use and Transportation Work Group – not currently active

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Mukesh Kumar.

RESULT:	Discussed
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13. MPO Monthly Report.

- a. Local Fund Update
- b. Carbon Reduction Program

For information and discussion only. Update provided by Mukesh Kumar.

RESULT:	Discussed
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14. Announcements.

- a. The next meeting of the Waco MPO Policy Board is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 1:30 pm
- b. No requests received for agenda items to be considered for future meetings.

15. Hearing of visitors regarding any item of MPO business not identified on this agenda.

Chairman Borderud opened the public hearing at 2:44 p.m.

No visitors submitted comments for or against this item.
Chairman Borderud closed the public hearing at 2:44 p.m.

Note: The Policy Board cannot respond to comments received during this public hearing.

16. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meetings were adjourned at 2:44 p.m.