

RESOLUTION 2023-18

- Whereas the Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was established to identify and support the implementation of regionally significant transportation projects to address future mobility needs of the Waco Region;
- Whereas the Waco MPO Policy Board is composed of representatives appointed by the elected City Councils and Counties located within the jurisdiction of the MPO as well as the Texas Department of Transportation;
- Whereas the Waco MPO Policy Board adopted Roadway Safety Targets for 2022 in support of "Vision Zero" goals;
- Whereas one death on our streets is one too many;
- Whereas the crashes that result in death or serious injuries are not inevitable but largely preventable;
- Whereas the Waco MPO applauds the Federal Highway Administration for its commitment to roadway safety demonstrated by the establishment of the new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program and the associated availability of grant funds;
- Whereas the Waco MPO Policy Board recognizes the need to develop a "Comprehensive Safety Action Plan" for the planning area of the MPO, which is coextensive with McLennan County;
- Whereas the Waco MPO was selected as an Action Plan grant recipient through the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) program in February 2023 to develop a "Comprehensive Safety Action Plan" for the planning area of the MPO;
- Whereas the Waco MPO Policy Board authorized the MPO staff to select a consultant to develop a "Comprehensive Safety Action Plan" for the planning area of the MPO through approval of Resolution 2023-8 on April 20, 2023;
- Whereas TJKM Transportation Consultants, Inc. was ranked the highest among the four qualified applicants to the RFP to develop a "Comprehensive Safety Action Plan" through a selection process prescribed by the fiscal agent of the Waco MPO in October 2023.

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the Waco MPO Policy Board

- 1. authorizes the Waco MPO Director to execute a contract agreement to develop the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) with TJKM Transportation Consultants;
- 2. authorizes the Waco MPO Director to issue a Notice to Proceed upon execution of the contract agreement;
- 3. further resolves to direct and authorize the Waco MPO Director, in the event of failure to reach an agreement with the highest ranked consultant, to negotiate and execute a contract agreement to develop the CSAP with the next ranked consultant until such an agreement is reached and a Notice to Proceed has been issued, or all four applicants have been requested to negotiate in the order of ranked scores determined by the evaluation team;
- 4. hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law;
- 5. hereby officially found and determined that all public participation requirements identified within the Waco MPO Public Participation Plan related to this action by the Policy Board were met and completed.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 16th day of November 2023.

Josh Borderud

Council Member – City of Waco Chair – Waco MPO Policy Board

ATTEST:

Mukesh Kumar

Director