

RESOLUTION 2021-6

WHEREAS, the Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization was established to identify and support the implementation of regionally significant transportation projects to address future mobility needs of the Waco Region; and,

WHEREAS, the Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization 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; and,

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.314 requires that the Waco MPO adopt a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to identify the goals, objectives and tasks the MPO intends to accomplish, the mix of necessary funding for those tasks and how the MPO intends to utilize federal planning funds during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the UPWP is also required to identify the tasks for which Waco Transit System, Inc. intends to utilize FTA Section 5307 planning funds during fiscal years 2020 and 2021; and.

WHEREAS, the staffs of the Waco MPO and Waco Transit System, Inc. have cooperatively developed a draft UPWP for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 which complies with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.314 and have solicited input from interested citizens and stakeholders regarding proposed work tasks; and,

WHEREAS, Waco Transit System, Inc. has contracted with AECOM to complete the design, engineering and environmental analysis phases of a Bus Rapid Transit service which is intended to serve as the first phase of a redesign of their fixed route system; and,

WHEREAS, the FY 2020-2021 UPWP identifies a route realignment study to identify subsequent phases of the redesign of the Waco Transit System fixed route system; and,

WHEREAS, the current scope of work for the route realignment study as identified within the FY 2020-2021 UPWP assumes the establishment of a Bus Rapid Transit service prior to the realignment of other fixed routes; and,

WHEREAS, the staffs of the Waco MPO and Waco Transit System, Inc. have agreed that an analysis of different scenarios to not only include a Bus Rapid Transit service, but also other enhanced service options as well as no enhanced services as alternatives is

necessary in order to identify the scenario that provides the greatest cost benefit to the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLICY BOARD OF THE WACO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION:

That the Waco MPO Policy Board hereby amends the 2020 & 2021 Unified Planning Work Program with the following changes:

Amend Subtask 1.5 Waco Transit System Fixed Route Realignment Study

Change scope of work to evaluate realignment recommendations for 3 scenarios:

Scenario 1: A Bus Rapid Transit service utilizing the Locally Preferred

Alternative Alignment identified within the Bus Rapid Transit Feasibility Study and operating on 15-minute headways

Scenario 2: A limited stop fixed route service utilizing the aforementioned

Locally Preferred Alternative Alignment, operating on 30-minute

headways

Scenario 3: A complete realignment of existing routes with no assumption of an

enhanced service operating along the Locally Preferred Alignment

That it is 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.

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 15th day of April, 2021.

Jacob Bell

Citizen Representative – City of Waco Chair – Waco MPO Policy Board

ATTEST:

Christopher Evilia Evilia

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