



RESOLUTION 2022-14

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 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) established the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) in November of 2021 to provide \$6.4 billion in funds over five years to reduce transportation emissions from on-road highways sources;

Whereas The Waco MPO is expected to receive a suballocation of CRP funds of approximately \$549,084 per year for the next five years;

Whereas the Waco MPO Policy Board has the opportunity to create, design, and implement a Carbon Reduction Program for its planning area subject to federal and state requirements;

Whereas The Waco MPO's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is recommending the MPO Policy Board to adopt a process to evaluate project proposals submitted by local units of governments designed to use the funds in ways that support reduction of transportation emissions.

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

1. Adopts a Carbon Reduction Program project evaluation process for the planning area of the MPO as described below:
 - a. MPO staff opens "Call for Proposals" for CRP project funding
 - b. Interested local units of government submit projects to MPO using CRP Project Submission Form that includes Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) priorities and was developed through conversation with the MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Work Group (BAPWG)
 - c. A TAC evaluation work group evaluates & prioritizes project submittals according to agreed-upon project selection criteria and recommends ranked projects to the Policy Board for selection

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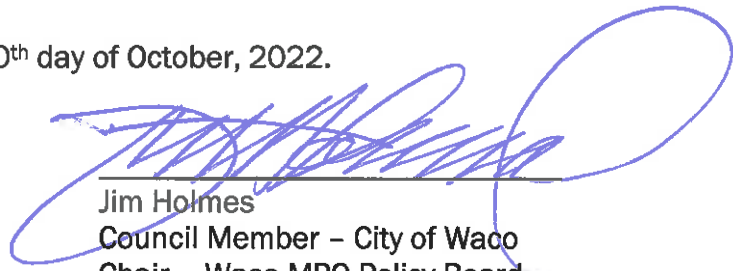
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2. further resolves to amend the MPO's MTP/TIP to reflect award(s) and direct MPO staff to implement a project tracking procedure for selected projects;
3. hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law;
4. 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 20th day of October, 2022.



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

ATTEST:



Mukesh Kumar
Director