MEETING OF THE RTP SUBCOMMITTEE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

March 9, 2022 1:30PM Minutes

Member Attendance:

Primary-Name	Present	Alternate-Name	Present
Morad Kabiri, Chair	Yes	Robert Upton	No
Perri D'Armond, Vice Chair	No	Stacy Slawinski	No
Monique Johnson	No	Krystal LaStrape	No
Bill Zrioka	Yes	Marcel Allen	No
Andrea French	No	Nikki Knight	No
Elijah Williams	No	Elizabeth Whitton	Yes
Iris Gonzalez	No	Jonathan Brooks	No
Adam France	No	Chris Bogert	No
Christopher Sims	Yes	Hon. Chad Tressler	No
Matt Hanks	No	Karen McKinnon	No
David Fields	Yes	Peter Eccles	Yes
Hon. Jay Knight	No	David Douglas	Yes
Loyd Smith	No	Bryan Brown	Yes
Nick Woolery	No	Frank Simoneaux	No
Yancy Scott	Yes	Jared Chen	No
Katherine Parker	Yes	Carol Lewis	No
Bruce Mann	No	Rohit Saxena	No
Rodger Rees	Yes	Brett Milutin	No
Charles Airiohuodion	Yes	Jeffrey English	Yes
Lisa Collins	No	Scott Ayres	No
Ken Fickes	No	Vernon Chambers	Yes
Kenneth Brown	Yes	Philip Brenner	No
John Tyler	No	Dale Hilliard	Yes

Others Present: Jim Dickinson, Thomas Gray, Christopher Whaley, Patrick Mandapaka, Kent McLemore, Carlos Lugo, Amy Skicki, Tim (guest), Weijie Zhuo, Shirley Li, Christopher Whaley, Brandy George, Karen Owen, Susan Jaworski

Staff Participating:

Mike Burns, Jamila Owens, David Fink, Veronica Green

1. Call to Order

Chair Morad K called the meeting to order at 1:31PM and conducted roll call to ensure a quorum. Morad K confirmed that a quorum was present.

2. Acceptance of Minutes

Elizabeth W made a motion to approve, Bill Z seconded.

The motion was approved unanimously.

- 3. Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan Informational (Jamila Owens and Chris Whaley)
 - a. CY 2022 Asset Target Analysis
 - b. CY 2024-2026 Target Setting

c. Investments to Meet Targets

Jamila O presented the Transit Asset Management Plan's listing of asset categories and measures, discussed the performance measure and targets for calendar years 2020 and 2020, the process for establishing future year performance targets for calendar years 2024 and 2026, the investments to meeting future targets, and the timeline for approving and establishing the future year targets. It was noted that each transit agency prepares a TAM plan and each MPO is required to set regional targets biennially using the information in each transit agency's TAM plan. The process aligns with the regional goal of achieving and maintaining a state of good repair for transit assets. Investments to help achieve this goal includes \$40 million in transit investments in the regional TIP. It was noted that a recommendation will be requested at the April meeting followed by approval by TAC and TPC at their May meetings.

4. Discussion of the 2045 RTP Updating Strategy

a. Outreach Strategy – Visioning Outreach Update

Mike B briefly mentioned the public survey and outreach meetings for each county will now start in April 2022 and proceed through May 2022. An image of the website shared with a note that the theme was a multimodal approach that encouraged working and thriving together. A sample of the survey question was also shared noting the use of juxtaposition questions to get public input on tradeoffs.

David Fields asked if the condition juxtaposition question could be more multimodal rather than roadway oriented.

Mike B responded that the condition question was focused on quality of facilities rather than any specific mode of travel and mentioned that there are other questions related specifically to multimodal travel.

Mike B responded that meetings will likely be a combination of in-person and virtual.

b. Transportation Assets – Regional ITS/Safety (David Fink)

David Fink summarized the region's traffic safety, ITS, and incident management programs. This included a note that the TPC will be establishing a task force to recommend strategies to improve the rate of roadway fatalities and serious injuries. Data was presented summarizing crash totals and types, response time to clear crashes, and noted some key investments in projects and programs listed in the RTP to improve transportation safety and incident response. Other strategies included use of safety countermeasures as part of a regional intersection study. Morad K noted a question in the chat from Amy Skicki regarding any impact to the timeline for hurricane evaluations due to population increase.

David Fink did not know if there have been any changes from the current 48-hour notification for evaluation and noted that residents only needed to evacuate out of the storm surge areas.

c. Freight – Regional Goods Movement Plan Update (Veronica Green)

Veronica G provided an overview of the recently initiated RGM plan, which included the project team, purpose, study area and facilities, and project schedule. The plan should be completed by June 2023 and will include vision and goals that align with the RTP. Some initial data was summarized, including projections in commodity flows through 2050 and congestion, safety, and facilities considerations that will be part of additional analysis during the plan's development. The outreach strategy and public participation opportunities are all included in the project's webpage on engage.h-gac.com.

Elizabeth W asked if growing industrial areas will be examined as part of the process. Veronica G responded that industrial land use is not the focus, rather than the impacts of land uses on the system will be the focus.

Elizabeth W responded that some new facilities in the western area of the region will be open soon and wants to ensure the plan accounts for those facilities.

Veronica G responded that if there is a permit issued for a new facility that those be shared with the project team.

5. Announcements

- a. Next TAC Meeting March 16, 2022 at 9:30AM (Teleconference)
- b. Next TPC Meeting March 25, 2022 at 9:30AM (Teleconference)
- c. Next RTP Subcommittee Meeting April 13, 2022 at 1:30PM (Teleconference)

Morad K mentioned upcoming meetings over the next month and noted that the next RTP meeting will be in May if members concurred with meeting on a bi-monthly schedule. Mike B noted a 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program public meeting on March 22, 2022.

6. Adjourn

Morad K asked for any other comments. Hearing none, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 2:17PM.

Minutes submitted by: Mike Burns