

**MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, November 18, 2020
9:30 A.M., ZOOM ONLINE MEETING**

INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Trent Epperson, called the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Committee members and staff introduced themselves. A list of Committee representatives and alternates attending the meeting is included with these minutes as Attachment 1. There were 34 members in attendance; 22 are required for a quorum.

The meeting agenda and materials are available on the TAC website at <http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-agendas-and-minutes.aspx>. In addition, the livestream recording is available at <http://www.h-gac.com/transportation-advisory-committee/meeting-livestream-archive.aspx>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments were received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Epperson called for comments or revisions regarding the minutes from the October 14, 2020 meeting.

Chairman Epperson entertained a motion for approval of the minutes for the October 14, 2020 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Larry Buehler and second motion for approval was made by Mr. Morad Kabiri. The Committee voted and the motion carried. The minutes were approved. There link is as follows:

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/3/>

AMENDMENTS TO THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) AND 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Dickinson presented on the amendments to the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Staff requested recommendation for Transportation Policy Council approval of Resolution 2020-40, to include the following amendments: 1) Extend southern limit of Fort Bend County IH 69 Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Installation Category-2 \$4.7M State in FY 2021; 2) Program Fort Bend County US 59 ITS Installation, Category-2 \$3.5M Federal/State in FY 2021; 3) Split SH 36/SS 10 Intelligent Transportation System Installation, delay SH 36 project to FY2026 of the Ten-Year Plan; and 4) Reconcile the TIP/Ten-Year Plan funding with approved 2021 Unified Transportation Program. For Further details on this amendment, please click on the link below.

Mr. Morad Kabiri motioned for approval. A second motion was made by Mr. Ken Fickes. The Committee voted and the motion carried.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/4/>

APPROVAL OF H-GAC 10 YEAR PLAN

Mr. Vishu Lingala presented on the draft Approval of H-GAC 10-Year Plan and requested recommendation for Transportation Policy Council approval of Resolution 2020-41. The recommendation also included \$3.75M (1%) increase of category 2 funding for MPO ID 16328 (NHHIP Segment – 3). Mr. Lingala gave an overview of the process of transportation planning in a 10-Year Plan, how often the plan is updated, how it is funded and allocated, and how approval of the 10-Year Plan provides concurrence with Unified Transportation Program based on consistency with TIP and RTP. A list of projects in the 10-Year Plan with a background paper were provided in the mailout for review. For further details on this presentation, please click on the link below.

Mr. Bruce Mann motioned for approval. A second motion was made by Mr. Ken Fickes. The Committee voted and the motion carried.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/5/>

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CREDITS (TDC) POLICY

Mr. Adam Beckom presented on approval of amendments to the Transportation Development Credits (TDC) Policy and requested TAC recommendation of the TPC approval of the Resolution to approve the TDC Policy. The proposed amendments to the Resolution 2020-42, were provided in the mailout packet. There was further discussion on rural areas, other transportation networks, regional strategic funds, criteria and guidelines to apply for TDC's, and updates to material after the TDC Policy is approved.

Mr. Loyd Smith motioned for approval. A second motion was made by Monique Johnson. The Committee voted and the motion carried.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/6/>

AMENDMENTS TO THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Ms. Francis Rodriguez presented information on amendments to the Public Participation Plan on virtual engagement that includes virtual public meetings, social media, newsletters, webinars, and traditional tactics in areas with the digital divide. Mr. Rodriguez further explained that there was an increase in attendance for meetings and that virtual engagement will continue as it has given the opportunity to have a further reach to the public. Additionally, hybrid meetings (in person/virtual) were also an option moving forward. This item will be brought back to the committee in January for action. To review this presentation, please click on the link below.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/7/>

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS-2020 UPDATE

Mr. Alan Rodenstein provided an overview of the Congestion Management Process. Mr. Rodenstein also discussed the key elements in the CMP that include identifying the location and magnitude of congestion and its causes in the region, applying a variety of mitigation strategies, and evaluating their effectiveness. A link to the draft report ([Draft Report of the 2020 Update of the CMP](#)) was provided in the mailout for your review.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/8/>

AMENDMENTS TO THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Mr. Vishu Lingala gave a brief summary of the Regional Transportation Plan and discussed the amendments to the 2045 RTP to add regionally significant projects that would require a new conformity determination. A list of these projects was provided in the mailout for your review. For further details on this presentation, please click on the link below:

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/9/>

AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY UPDATE

Ms. Graciela Lubertino provided an update on the Air Quality Conformity process in relation to the requested RTP Amendments. To review in this presentation, please click on the link below.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/10/>

UPDATE ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF CALL FOR PROJETS CRITERIA

Mr. Adam Beckom provided a mid-point update on the development of criteria for the next Call for Projects. Staff was also seeking feedback from the Committee on some of the project development tasks. A full list of topics discussed on project development criteria are listed in the mailout packet. Staff anticipates the project evaluation criteria development to be complete in June 2021 and submittal process to begin in Fall 2021.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/11/>

PLANNING ACTIVITIES

A. October Administrative Amendments

Mr. Patrick Mandapaka gave a brief overview on administrative amendments. Mr. Mandapaka mentioned that the changes were primarily clerical and minor in nature and a list of these modifications were provided in the mailout. Mr. Mandapaka invited Mr. Adam Beckom back to give a brief status of the 2021-2024 TIP/STIP. Mr. Beckom reported that the 2021-2024 TIP/STIP was not approved by the FHWA and information was received on what projects to move as part of the effort. Please see the presentation for further details.

For Information Only. No action needed.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/12/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Epperson announced the following meetings and events:

- a. TPC Meeting – November 20, 2020, 9:30 a.m.
- b. Transportation Improvement Program Subcommittee Meeting – December 2, 2020, 1:30 p.m.
- c. Greater Houston Freight Committee Meeting – December 3, 2020, 1:00 p.m.
- d. Transportation Public Meeting - December 3, 2020, 6:00 p.m.
- e. Regional Transportation Plan Subcommittee Meeting - December 9, 2020, 1:30 p.m.
- f. Next TAC Meeting – December 9, 2020, 9:30 a.m.
- g. Regional Air Quality Planning Advisory Committee Meeting - December 10, 2020, 10 a.m.
- h. Transportation Safety Committee meeting - December 15, 2020, 1:30 p.m.
- i. Next TPC Meeting – December 18, 2020, 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Epperson adjourned the meeting of the TAC at 11:51 a.m.

A slide presentation and audio recording of all presentations are available on the TAC website at

<https://hgac.swagit.com/play/11182020-763/13/>

1st Vice Chair
Transportation Advisory Committee

ATTACHMENT 1

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING ATTENDANCE (Roll Call)

November 18, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.

NOTES:

1. Attendance is marked with “X” in the corresponding column for the Member and/or Alternate.
2. Where both the Member and Alternate are present, the Alternate is marked with an asterisk (*) after the “X” to indicate that this person does not count toward quorum or votes for this meeting.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>Chair</u>				
Trent Epperson	<u>x</u>	City of Pearland	Robert Upton	<u>x*</u>
1 st Vice Chair				
Lloyd Smith	<u>x</u>	Harris County	Brannan Hicks	
<u>2nd Vice Chair</u>				
Maureen Crocker		Planning	Megan Campbell	<u>x</u>
Morad Kabiri, P.E.	<u>x</u>	Smaller Cities	Ricardo Villagrand	<u>x*</u>
Melissa Lanier	<u>x</u>	Smaller Cities	Bobby Pennington	
Larry Buehler	<u>x</u>	Smaller Cities	Sean Landis	
Perri D’Armond	<u>x</u>	Transit	Yvette Maldonado	
Ken Fickes	<u>x</u>	Transit	Vernon Chambers	<u>x*</u>
Ruthanne Haut	<u>x</u>	Transit	John Powers	
Bakeyah Nelson		Environmental	Milton Rahman	
Rebecca Reyna	<u>x</u>	Environmental	Dinah Massie	
Dr. Carol Lewis	<u>x</u>	Planning	Katherine Parker	<u>x</u>
Jennifer Ostlind	<u>x</u>	Planning	Sharon Moses-Burnside	
(Vacant)		Business Interests	Elijah Williams	<u>x</u>
Bob Eury	<u>x</u>	Business Interests	Stephanie Pizzoferrato	
Oni Blair		Citizens Interests	Jonathan Brooks	<u>x</u>
Andrea French	<u>x</u>	Citizens Interests	Theresa Rodriguez	
Bruce Mann	<u>x</u>	Port of Houston	Rohit Saxena	
Michael Wilson	<u>x</u>	Ports	Richard Zientek	
John Tyler	<u>x</u>	Toll Road	Dale Hilliard	
Jimmy Thompson		Toll Road	Kent Burkett	<u>x</u>
Ana Ramirez-Huerta	<u>x</u>	Active Transportation	Catherine McCreight	<u>x*</u>
Veronica Chapa Gorczyński	<u>x</u>	Active Transportation	Vacant	
Bill Zrioka		Airport	Juan Chavira, P.E.	
Jeff Taebel	<u>x</u>	Regional Planning	Charles Wemple	

**TAC Agenda Item 4
Mailout – 1/7/21**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Present</u>
Clint Harbert	x	METRO	Priya Zachariah	
Adam Jack, P.E.		TxDOT-Beaumont District	Scott Ayers, P.E.	
James W. Koch, P.E.	x	TxDOT-Houston District	Andrew C. Mao, P.E.	x*
Matt Hanks, P.E.	x	Brazoria County	Karen McKinnon, P.E.	
Cory Taylor, P.E.	x	Chambers County	Billy Combs, P.E.	
Stacy Slawinski, P.E.	x	Fort Bend County	Rick J. Staigle, P.E.	
Michael Shannon, P.E.		Galveston County	Nancy Baher, P.E.	
David Douglas		Liberty County	Hon. Jay Knight	
Jeff Johnson, P.E.		Montgomery County	Brian Clark, P.E.	
Yancy Scott, P.E.		Waller County	Jared Chen	x
Nick Woolery	x	City of Baytown	Frank Simoneaux	
Adam France	x	City of Conroe	Chris Bogert, P.E.	
Kyle Hockersmith		City of Galveston	Daniel Christodoss, P.E.	
(Vacant)		City of Houston	David Wurdlow	x
Christopher Sims	x	City of League City	Hon. Chad Tressler	
Clifford Brouhard	x	City of Missouri City	Shashi Kumar	
Sarah Benavides, P.E.		City of Pasadena	Robin Green, P.E.	
Monique Johnson, AICP	x	City of Sugar Land	Rick Ramirez, P.E.	
Doug Kneupper, P.E.		City of Texas City	(Vacant)	
	44	Total Voting Membership		
	35	Total Voting Membership		
	22	Present		
		Required for Quorum		