



Permian Basin MPO Metropolitan Planning Organization

Permian Basin MPO
9601 Wright Drive Midland, TX
Policy Board Meeting
March 21, 2022 3:00 p.m.

Policy Board Members Present:

PBMPO Conference Policy Board Members Present:

Jack Ladd, Jr	Chair, Councilman, City of Midland
Tom Sprawls	Vice Chair, Councilman, City of Odessa
Debi Hays	Ector County Judge
Robin Donnelly	County Commissioner, Midland County
Doug Provance	General Manager, MOUTD (EZ-Rider)

Absent:

Bryan Cox	Martin County Judge
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Others in Attendance:

Cameron Walker, AICP	Executive Director, Permian Basin MPO
Ken Van Dyne	Sr Technician, Permian Basin MPO
Janna Dean	Office Manager, Permian Basin MPO
Hal Feldman, P.E.	Traffic Coordinator, City of Odessa
Robert Ornelas, P.E.	Director of TP&D, TxDOT Odessa District
Lauren Gardino, P.E.	Interim Director, TxDOT Odessa District
Steve Davis	Director, Public Works
Marisella Campos	Asst Director, Public Works
Andrew Avis	Midland County
Chad Windham, P.E.	TxDOT

1. Call Meeting to Order-

The meeting was called to Order by Jack Ladd, Jr at 3:01 p.m.

2. Introductions and Announcements

The Board introduced Lauren Gardino, P.E., Interim- Odessa District Engineer with TxDOT. Also, the Board welcomed Steve Davis, Director of Public Works for Ector County as well as the Assistant Director, Marisella Campos. Additionally, we welcomed our speakers for the meeting, Stephen Robertson with Permian Basin Petroleum Association, Wesley Burnett with Nacero, and Eddie Haas (remotely) with Freese and Nichols.

3. Public Comment Period (limited to 3 minutes each)

There were no public comments.

4. Approve the Policy Board Minutes from February 22, 2022

The motion to approve the minutes was made by Doug Provance, seconded by Debi Hays and approved unanimously.

5. Approve the February 2022 Billing Statement-

Cameron explained to the Board that the MPO usually receives the necessary documentation from the City of Odessa by the 2nd week of the month. However, this month, we have yet to receive it. A motion was made to table this item until April by Robin Donnelly, seconded by Tom Sprawls and approved unanimously.

6. Presentation from Stephen Robertson, Permian Basin Petroleum Association, on the current state of the energy sector-

Stephen explained how November was a record month for production of oil, and each subsequent month surpassed the prior one. He stated that the US exports 70% of our oil to Europe. There was a 10% decrease of crude oil manufacturing during Covid. He explained the reason for the gas outages during Winter 2021 was due to the electric being shut off, which caused the pumps not to work properly or stop working. He also spoke about the Tex Net Seismic Monitoring Program which measures volumes and pressure.

7. Presentation by Wesley Burnett on the Nacero plant

Wesley Burnett explained how Nacero is building a plant near Penwell, Texas. This plant is approximately 2 miles square, and during construction, will employ over 6000 people. This plant will manufacture gasoline from natural gas sources. The fuel will be available for public consumption and wholesale use.

8. Update by Eddie Haas on the Interregional Corridor Study

Eddie Haas gave an update to the Board on the Interregional Corridor Study. He stated that a second round of Town Hall meetings is being planned for late April in both communities.

9. MPO Staff Reports

A. 60-Day Calendar

B. Staff Activities- 30 day

Cameron updated the Board about the Public Meeting that was held last Friday, regarding the draft 2023-2026 TIP. This included intersection improvements, rail road crossings, and a new interchange. Transit projects were also included in the draft document.

10. Agency Project Reports

- a. TxDOT Odessa District- There are several projects ongoing. Proposing moving I-20 from CR 1250 to Highway 349 project to a later window, after 2026.
- b. City of Midland- There is a utility project on Garfield near the Hospital and Golf Course Rd. There is a water utility project at Highway 349 to A Street. Continuing work on 1250.
- c. Midland County- There is a CTIF grant reimbursement for State Highway 158 to CR 1160. CR 1210 to CR 140 is now 30% complete. Monahans Draw project should be complete by February 2023. CR 40 to FM 1788 is coming along, as well as Airport Road to Yukon.
- d. City of Odessa- Dixie from 56th to 46th Street is a continuing project. Work is progressing at 52nd Street. Estancia Street project was awarded. There are still issues on Faudree. Plans for redoing 31st, Tanglewood, and Crane are in the works.
- e. Ector County- There are currently 8 projects in the works now. Apple Street and Cottonwood were awarded. Moss Mill overlay is being completed. There is drainage and pump repair on 67th Street.
- f. Martin County- No one was present from Martin County.
- g. MOUTD- EZ Rider is in the 2nd year of a 4 year plan to replace the bus fleet. Doug stated he is hoping to hire more staff. He is continually replacing or repairing the bus shelters.

11. Future Meetings

The next 2 meetings are April 18, 2022 and May 16, 2022

12. Conduct Executive Session concerning any, and all, subjects and for any, and all, purposes permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government code, including, but not limited to: Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with the Board's attorney; Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, lease, or value of real property; Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.

13. Take Action Concerning Executive Session Matters

There were Executive Session Matters.

14. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Robin Donnelly, seconded by Doug Provance and approved unanimously at 5:25 p.m.