



# Permian Basin MPO

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## Policy Board Meeting

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9601 Wright Dr., Suite 1, Midland, TX, 79706

**September 26, 2019 3:00 p.m.**

### Minutes

#### **Policy Board Members Present**

Robin Donnelly	Chair, County Commissioner, Midland County
John B. Love III	Vice-Chair, Councilman, City of Midland
Bryan Cox	Martin County Judge
Debi Hays	County Judge, Ector County

#### **Policy Board Members Absent:**

Vacant	General Manager, MOUTD (EZ-Rider)
John Speed, P.E.	District Engineer, TxDOT Odessa District
Tom Sprawls	Councilman, City of Odessa

#### **Others in Attendance:**

Cameron Walker, AICP	Executive Director, Permian Basin MPO
Lorraine Quimiro	Senior Transportation Planner, Permian Basin MPO
Kallie Hallmark	GIS Analyst, Permian Basin MPO
Jason Kelliher, P.E.	Dunaway Associates, Midland County
Matt Carr, P.E.	City Engineer, City of Midland
Hal Feldman	Traffic Coordinator, City of Odessa
Bill Frawley, AICP	Research Scientist, TTI
Phillip Tindall, AICP	Planner, Texas Department of Transportation
Beau Zertuche	Maverick Productions
John James	MODE Communications

#### **AGENDA ITEM**

##### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting of the Permian Basin MPO Policy Board was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Policy Board Vice-Chair, John B. Love III. A quorum was not present.

##### **2. Introductions and Announcements**

Bill Frawley, Beau Zertuche, John James and Phillip Tindall were introduced to the attendees.

### **3. Public Comment Period**

There were no public comments.

### **4. Approve the Policy Board Minutes from August 19, 2019**

A motion was made by John Love and seconded by Debi Hays to approve the Policy Board Minutes from August 19, 2019. The motion passed unanimously.

### **5. Approve the July 2019 Billing Statements**

July is the tenth billing period for fiscal year 2019 and reflects the expenditures from Tasks and Subtasks as approved in the FY 2019 UPWP. During the month of July, Permian Basin MPO expended \$22,393.29, which brings the percentage of expenditures to 62.10% of the FY 2019 programmed funds. The balance of funds is \$170,536.69.

A motion was made by John Love and seconded by Bryan Cox to approve the July 2019 Billing Statements. The motion passed unanimously.

### **6. Presentation from Maverick Productions regarding Public Participation**

Representatives of the Maverick Productions firm, Beau Zertuche and John James, presented a summary of early plans to assist the MPO with public participation efforts. Beau explained why they were here, what they were currently working on with expanding public participation and how they were working to reach a broader audience. John James explained how they are taking the approach of coming to the public, as opposed to them coming to us, by using social media and other electronic platforms. He also explained how they are producing a five-part mini-video series that is intended to leave the audience with a cliff hanger and the only way the audience can continue the mini-video series is by participating in answer certain questions after each video. Beau concluded the presentation by announcing the upcoming public comment workshops, where each one is located, what time they start and what to expect over all from the workshops.

### **7. Authorize the 2045 MTP Draft for public comment**

Cameron began with providing the timeline of developing the *Forward 45* MTP. A brief description was provided for all eleven chapters. Staff requested the Board's authorization to make the draft available for public comment. As mentioned before, Cameron reminded the board of the public workshops that will be held through the months of October and November. It is intended that these workshops will be held in the region to allow for in-person discussion with staff and stakeholders about the draft plan. The board commented on allowing the 19 draft projects to remain as is and removing the proposed two projects.

A motion was made by John Love and seconded by Debi Hays to authorize the 2045 MTP Draft for public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

### **8. MPO Staff Reports**

#### **a. 77-Day Calendar**

Staff included a 77-day event calendar to inform the Policy Board of upcoming events..

#### **b. Update on development of the Regional Freight Plan**

Staff attended a meeting hosted by TxDOT on the regional freight planning effort that has been underway since early 2019. The meeting was well attended and included discussion from TxDOT Freight team members and the consultants working on the plan. As a reminder this is a 24-county effort with 22 of the counties in Texas.

**c. 30-Day Activity and Social Media Update**

- Staff attended the EZ Rider Board RCTP meeting on September 18th
- Staff met with the consultants who are retooling the MPO's public participation effort

The Permian Basin MPO has 141 Facebook Likes and 141 Followers on Twitter.

**9. Agency Project Reports:**

**a. TxDOT Odessa District: Absent.**

**b. City of Midland: Matt Carr:** Currently working on bond projects.

**c. Midland County: Jason Kelliher:** Several projects are in the work for the next fiscal year. The CR 127, CR 1210, CR 1200, CR 1120 1218 projects are all currently under construction.

**d. City of Odessa: Hal Feldman:** University is currently under construction. Hoping to have four roadway design projects awarded.

**e. Ector County: Debi Hays:** On the last county commissioners court meeting, a 20-year county road improvement and rehabilitation plan was approved. The plan is to help widen 4 major highways, help with construction on Yukon and other projects throughout the county.

**f. Martin County: Bryan Cox:** Martin County just doing general work around the county.

**g. MOUTD: Absent.**

**8. Future Meetings**

Policy Board Meeting – Monday, October 21, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting – Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 8:00 am

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee – October 17, 2019 at 8:00 am

**10. 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.

**11. Take Action Concerning Executive Session Matters**

None.

**12. Adjourn**

A motion was made by to adjourn by Debi Hays and seconded by Bryan Cox. The motion passed unanimously with adjournment at 4:10 pm.