

# 9601 Wright Blvd. Midland, Texas Policy Board Meeting IN PERSON AND VIRTUAL via Zoom March 17, 2025 1:30 p.m.

Pursuant to section 551.127 of the Texas government code, and in conjunction with the guidance and provisions provided by the Governor of Texas in the declaration of disaster enacted March 13, 2020, members of the transportation policy board may be participating remotely in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, as temporarily modified by the governor.

#### **MINUTES**

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

Terry Johnson Midland County Judge Steve Thompson Odessa City Councilman

Eric Lykens, P.E. TxDOT Odessa District Engineer

Kayleen Hamilton EZ Rider

Dustin Fawcett Ector County Judge

#### **Policy Board Member Absent:**

Bryan Cox Martin County

Jack Ladd Jr. Vice Chair, Midland City Council

#### Others in Attendance:

Cameron Walker, AICP Executive Director Permian Basin MPO

Akyra Hamilton Sr. Transportation Planner Permian Basin MPO

Kimberly Potter Office Manager, Permian Basin MPO

Lindsey Adams City of Midland Jose Ortiz, P.E. City of Midland

Robert Ornelas, P.E. TxDOT

Jeff Avery Ector County

Maryann Cedillo Public Information Officer, TxDOT

Andrew Avis Midland County

Aaron Smith Asst. City Manager, City of Odessa

Eddie Landrum Ector County

Miranda Boler PBRPC Virginia Belew PBRPC

John Henderson Ector County
Claire Alvarado Ector County
Rey Carrasco, P.E. Kimley-Horn

Sawyer Benevites TxDOT
Jennifer Chevarria TxDOT
Michael Smith via Zoom
Debra Richmond via Zoom

Gabriel Ramirez, P.E. TxDOT, via Zoom

#### 1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm.

#### 2. Introductions and Announcements

### 3. Public Comment Period (limited to 3 minutes each) Debra Richmond (PBRPC) made announcement about the HERO event on Thursday, March 20.

### 4. Approve the Policy Board Minutes from February 24th, 2025 Steve Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Kayleen Hamilton and approved unanimously.

## 5. Discuss coordination with PBRPC for Regional Transit Plan Staff discussed assisting PBRPC with their application to TxDOT for funding needed to prepare a new 5-Year Regional Transit Plan. The MPO will commit \$25,000.00 for this task

#### 6. MPO Staff Reports

Staff informed the Board about the RTCP meeting on March 20, 2025. Staff also reminded the Board of the promotion given to Akyra Hamilton. Staff attended the TEMPO meeting in March.

#### 7. Agency Reports

- a. TxDOT Odessa District
  - Jenny Odessa Office Update
    - BI 20 widening east side of Faudree
    - Moss has 3 more weeks
    - LP 338 and 87<sup>th</sup> street most likely waiting on Oncor
    - Yukon and 191 underpass light going to do a warrant study to see if
      it will meet the requirements for signals.

#### Midland Office Update

- SH 191 and Yukon main lanes are now open to traffic on the bridge Completion May 2025
- BI 20 and Garfield finishing NE quadrant and then anticipating a switch to the other quadrant
- Midkiff and I-20 working on paving
- Cottonflat and I-20 working on shared paving paths and signals
- Big Spring final striping and sign correction
- Scharbauer bridges should be done June of 2025

#### b. City of Midland

- SH 158 and Sinclair beginning stages of signal install.
- Costco looking to open before July 4<sup>th</sup>
- Wadley Extension is still not open to the public because the preserve is moving forward with their project and in order to make the drainage work, they have to beef up the storm drain going across Wadley – once that is complete they will open Wadley to SH 158

Fairgrounds is still waiting on the contractor to come back and mobilize
 Fairgrounds from LP 250 to Mockingbird will begin within the next month

#### c. Midland County

- Nothing new to report
- Chip-seal project 86 miles across the county was awarded
- CR 1250 and Anetta partnership should let out within the next month
- Occidental extension to Elkins Rd County let it for bids and is building it for the city.
- CR 1110 is almost ready to release for the Greenwood ISD expansion
- Bankhead highway getting an extension

#### d. City of Odessa

- ROW cleared on 56<sup>th</sup> to widen from 338 to Faudree
- Billy Hext to 338 need to get ROW secured 5 different owners for ROW
- Faudree should be finished sometime between April to July
- Dixie has been bid and let
- Getting ready to do 52<sup>nd</sup> street from 338 to the west

#### e. Ector County

- Tripp from university to 16<sup>th</sup> is finishing up raising water valves and then sign installation
- Waiting for plans of Phase 3 of Tripp that goes from 16<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> changes were needed a sidewalk for the children walking from school – once the plans come in this project will go out to bid
- In house project in Gardendale beginning tomorrow due to a small flooding issue
- Reconstruction of PawPaw is set to begin the beginning of April still needs to go to County Commissioner's court
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Street plans still underway

#### f. Martin County

• No one present

#### g. MOUTD

- 2 new buses getting outfitted for the road
- 4 new driving trainees graduated last week and are working on driving routes.
- In April they will be hosting Easter Seals project action all day training on work place violence and other related topics.

#### 8. Future Meetings

- Policy Board Meeting on April 21st
- TAC Meeting on April 3rd
- 9. 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.
- 10. No action was necessary concerning Executive Session Matters

### 11. Adjourn

Steve Thompson made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Eric Lykens and was approved unanimously.

This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Law (V.T.C.A. Government Code 551)