

BRYAN / COLLEGE STATION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Technical Advisory Committee Agenda

Thursday, April 20, 2017 @ 8:30 A.M. Brazos Transit District Conference Room 1759 N. Earl Rudder Freeway, Bryan, TX 77803

AGENDA

- 1) Welcome and Open Meeting
- 2) Minutes from March 27, 2017 Joint Technical Advisory Committee and Active Transportation Advisory Panel meeting *Consider adoption Action Required.* (See attachment.)
- 3) Agency Reports (Updates from members on transportation related activities)
- 4) Staff Report
 - Major Thoroughfare Concept Meetings
 - FM 2818 Corridor Study Update
 - Public Participation Plan Public Comments
 - University Drive Study Survey Results
- 5) FY 2018 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

The MPO is required to develop a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) every two years to cover planning activities for the upcoming two year period. Most of the UPWP is static and remains unchanged, especially in Task One – Administration/Management, Task Two –Data Development and Maintenance, and Task Three – Short Range Planning. In FY 2018 – FY 2019 we will need to update our Metropolitan Transportation Plan, which is a significant portion of the FY2018 budget. In Task Five – Special Studies, we have included the FM 60 Corridor Study Phase Two to cover the segment from Texas Avenue to Boonville in FY 2018 and added work tasks related to the Texas Innovation Alliance, the Houston to Fort Worth Corridor Concept, the development of a Congestion Management Process and work to assure a smooth transition to Transportation Management Area status. Action Required. (See attachment.)

6) Letter Regarding Transportation Facilitator

The former chair of the Bryan – College Station Chamber of Commerce has suggested in a letter that our area needs a Transportation Facilitator to bring transportation issues to the appropriate Policy Committees and to advocate in Washington, D.C. and

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Austin to obtain funding for locally significant projects. The Chamber has asked if the MPO supports the concept and role of the Transportation Facilitator. Action Required. (See attachment.)

7) Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Funding Support Letter

The City of Bryan is requesting funds from the TxDOT administered Transportation

Alternatives Set Aside program. These requests need to include a letter of support from
the Policy Board. The City of Bryan is requesting that the TAC make a
recommendation to the Policy Board directing MPO staff to submit an MPO letter of
support. Action Required. (See attachment.)

8) Texas Innovation Alliance Mobility Data Challenge

The Texas Innovation Alliance had scheduled a data challenge event in Austin for July 18^{th} and 19^{th} . The event has been moved to September to give Alliance Teams an opportunity to develop a project and determine data needs. The intent of the event is to work through common data issues that could benefit how transportation planning and projects are developed. The first day will focus on learning about open data and discussing developing standards for open data availability, common performance metrics and a mobility solution marketplace. Day Two is a competition where teams develop and pitch prototype solutions to transportation challenges. Registration opens later this year and Team Bryan/College Station will need representation at the challenge.

- 9) Future Activities
 - Final Public Meeting for the Major Thoroughfare Concept (mid-May)
 - 2017-2020 TIP Amendments
 - Workshop on Data Challenge Project
 - Policy Board Meeting in May (A Future Transportation Topic Speaker is needed)
- 10) Adjourn

Workshop Item

• Draft 2050 Major Thoroughfare Concept Map Revisions