



Policy Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 9:00 AM

Brazos County Commissioners' Courtroom
200 South Texas Avenue, Bryan, Texas 77803

AGENDA

- 1) Welcome and Open Meeting
-Pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags and Invocation.
- 2) Public Comments regarding items not on the agenda
-Individuals who wish to address the Policy Board must fill out a Public Comment Card describing the topic(s) they wish to address. Public Comment Cards may be obtained from Lisa Lyon of the MPO staff prior to the start of the meeting. Please limit your comments to three minutes per topic. Additional time will be allotted if Policy Board members have questions.
- 3) Minutes from the April 5, 2017 Policy Board meeting.
*-Consider adoption - **Action Required**. (See attachment.)*
- 4) Staff Report
 - FM 60 Bicycle and Pedestrian Access and Safety Concepts
 - FM 2818 Corridor Study
 - Texas Innovation Alliance
- 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 and the Houston to Fort Worth Corridor Concept. For FY 2019 under Special Studies, we have included tasks for the development of a Congestion Management Process and work to assure a smooth transition to Transportation Management Area status. Under state and federal requirements the Policy Board needs to approve the draft UPWP so that it can be submitted to the TxDOT Planning Division and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for review and comment. Once FHWA and

*TxDOT have commented, MPO staff will make whatever revisions are necessary and bring the final UPWP back to the Policy Board for approval. **Action Required.** (See attachment.)*

- 6) Bryan/College Station MPO Public Participation Plan
*-On March 1, 2017 the Policy Board directed staff to publish and make available a revised Public Participation Plan for a 45 day public comment period. The comment period has closed and no comments were received. Since the revised Public Participation Plan relies heavily on the update of our website, staff is requesting that the Policy Board formally adopt the Public Participation Plan and direct staff to immediately begin following the prescribed actions on all future MPO documents and activities. **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 MPO staff is requesting that the Policy Board direct the Executive Director to draft and submit an MPO letter of support for the City of Bryan Transportation Alternative Set Aside funding request. **Action Required.** (See attachment.)*
- 8) Draft 2050 Major Thoroughfare Concept
*-The Technical Advisory Committee has developed a revised draft of the Major Thoroughfare Concept based on the last set of public comments they have received. To simplify public comments during the next public meeting, both MPO staff and the TAC would like the Policy Board to motion for the immediate release of the concept to the public so that those who wish to comment on the plan can review the map and prepare their remarks in advance of the public meeting. The meeting has been scheduled for May 15 from 5:00 – 7:00 P.M. at the Brazos Center. **Action Required.** (See attachment.)*
- 9) Future Transportation Project Update
-Mr. Michael Parks, AICP, Assistant Director for the Brazos Valley Council of Governments will provide an update on the activities of the Brazos Valley Regional Planning Organization's planning activities and projects.
- 10) Adjourn