



Joint Technical Advisory Committee/Active Transportation Advisory Panel Agenda

Thursday June 21, 2018 @ 8:30 A.M.
Brazos Transit District Conference Room
1759 N. Earl Rudder Freeway, Bryan, TX 77803

AGENDA

- 1) Welcome and Open Meeting
- 2) Review of the Bryan/College Station MPO Draft 2050 Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan
*The Active Transportation Advisory Panel has completed work on the Draft 2050 Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan. The plan includes routes for all types of bicycle and pedestrian users including longer-distance bicycle routes. The Panel has also incorporated suggested TAC modifications and developed routing options to connect the community with the RELLIS Campus. **Action Requested.** (See Attachment.)*
- 3) MPO Bylaws Amendment
*Because of the need for a more formalized relationship with the Active Transportation Advisory Panel, the ATAP and staff have drafted bylaws to govern ATAP responsibilities and meetings. The responsibilities mirror the Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Bryan-College Station Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Infrastructure Coordination Program, executed December 18, 2014. The remainder of the bylaws cover membership and meeting requirements. **Action Requested.** (See Attachment.)*
- 4) Minutes from the April 19, 2018 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
*Consider adoption - **Action Required.** (See attachment.)*
- 5) Resolution Supporting a Regional Mobility Authority in Brazos County
*With positive support from the City of College Station, the City of Bryan, Brazos County and several other planning partners and elected officials, the Policy Board has asked the TAC to consider a resolution in support of a Regional Mobility Authority in Brazos County. – **Action Required.** (See attachment.)*
- 6) Category Two Funding Discussion
The Texas Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (TEMPO) submitted their Category Two Funding formula revisions to TxDOT. The formula would result in four MPOs receiving funding increases and the rest funding decreases. When these

results were made public, multiple MPOs voiced their dissatisfaction with the formula and complained that actual numbers had never been given to the MPOs. Under the revised formula, the BCSMPO reduction was estimated to be approximately \$23 million over a ten-year period. Last year, the MPO Policy Board approved the B/CSMPO Minority Report which stated that we opposed the revised funding formula and offered a different formula that was geared to combating congestion. As a result of all the unfavorable responses, the TxDOT administration had a discussion regarding potential changes to send to the Commission. Their decision is that a change to the formula is not a priority at this time. While there were many factors that went into that decision, one influencing factor was the aforementioned feedback they received. The practical impact is that the next opportunity for any potential formula changes would be in 2020 and would not be implemented until the 2021 UTP at the earliest. However, the larger MPOs have complained that this decision is unsatisfactory and a meeting was called for June 5, 2018 to discuss the Category Two funding formula. Staff will provide an update on that discussion. (See attachment.)

7) TAZ Reassignment

The TAZ reassignment process is complete and Bart Benthul would like to provide an overview of the changes from his original estimate to the final in which all the jurisdictions provided feedback. Staff will then ask for TAC recommendations to determine if the process used was worthwhile and/or what changes need to occur for the next assessment in 3-5 years.

8) Staff Report

- Texas Innovation Alliance
- University Drive Concept Phase II
- Regional Mobility Authority Update
- Category Two Funding for Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects

9) Agency Reports (*Updates from members on transportation related activities*)

10) Future Activities

- Next Policy Board Meeting is on July 11, 2018 (RMA Presentation?)

11) Adjourn