

**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2022
REGULAR MEETING, TDC LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
423 W. FERGUSON, TYLER, TEXAS**



Members Present:

Michael Howell, Cameron Williams, Kyle Kingma, Burren Reed, Stephanie Franklin, Jimmy Toler, Paul Schneider, Adrienne Leach, Leroy Sparrow, and Scott Martinez, and

Others Present:

Jeffrey Harmon, TxDOT; Zach Clark, GIS Analyst; and Shelia Henderson, Planning Technician.

Michael Howell called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Scott Martinez moved, seconded by Leroy Sparrow, to approve the minutes from November 11, 2021. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Action Items:

1. Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt an amendment to the Master Street Plan (MSP)

Mr. Howell discussed a request to amend the Master Street Plan (MSP) that was proposed by the City of Tyler. Mr. Howell noted that the MSP amendment would remove the collector designation from Deer Ridge Lane, Lakeway Drive and the Falkner Park Service road and create a new collector route that would connect to Waljim Street. The proposed route of Waljim Street would extend north to West Grande Boulevard and south to the intersection of South Broadway Avenue and Market Square Boulevard. Mr. Howell stated staff recommends the Technical Advisory Committee adopt the amendments to the Master Street Plan.

Cameron Williams moved, seconded by Stephanie Franklin, to adopt the amendment to the Master Street Plan. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

2. Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt an amendment to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to revise revenue forecasts, adjust administrative costs, and make provisions to hire a consultant to perform a Downtown Tyler Traffic Study

Mr. Howell discussed the item stating that the results of the 2020 Census and the approval of the new transportation funding bill, showed that the state of Texas would be receiving additional funds than what was issued last fiscal year. Mr. Howell noted that the increase in forecasted revenue would allow the MPO staff to partner with City of Tyler staff to propose a new project. Mr. Howell added that the recommendation is to conduct a Downtown Tyler Traffic Study, and to make provisions to hire a new staff member. Mr. Howell stated staff recommends the approval of the proposed amendment to the FY 2022-2023 Unified Planning Work Program.

Jimmy Toler moved, seconded by Scott Martinez, to adopt the amendment to the Unified Planning Work Program. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

3. Consider recommending the Policy Committee adopt revised performance measures and targets related to safety (PM1) and adopt amendments to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) to reflect the targets

Mr. Howell discussed the item stating that the safety performance measures are to be reviewed annually and new targets be adopted based on the latest performance data. Mr. Howell turned the presentation over to Zach Clark, GIS Analyst, who presented and discussed the data of the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) dashboard. Mr. Clark discussed the performance measures of:

- Number of fatalities
- Rate of fatalities
- Number of serious injuries
- Rate of serious injuries
- Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries

Mr. Howell stated staff recommended the Technical Advisory Committee support the 2022 statewide safety performance targets as developed by TxDOT.

Scott Martinez moved, seconded by Cameron Williams, to recommend support the 2022 statewide safety performance targets as developed by TxDOT. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Staff Updates:

1. MPO Executive Director's Report

Mr. Howell highlighted that TxDOT staff would be providing a draft Transportation Improvement Program to be presented at the next meeting. Mr. Howell also introduced new members to the TAC, Adrienne Leach – TxDOT, Shane Cunningham – TxDOT, Burren Reed – City of Tyler and new Policy Committee member Darin Jennings – City of Tyler.

2. Upcoming Meeting Dates

Mr. Howell provided notice of the upcoming Policy Committee Meeting on March 24, 2022 and the next Technical Advisory Committee meeting scheduled on May 5, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m.