



9601 Wright Blvd. Midland, Texas
Policy Board Meeting IN PERSON AND VIRTUAL via Zoom
August 19, 2024 1:30 p.m.

Policy Board Members Present:

Mike Gardner	Chair, Ector County Commissioner
Jack Ladd, Jr	Vice Chair, Midland City Councilman
Eric Lykins, P.E.	TxDOT Odessa District Engineer via Zoom
Terry Johnson	Midland County Judge
Steve Thompson	Odessa City Councilman
Kayleen Hamilton	EZ-Rider General Manager

Policy Board Members Absent:

Bryan Cox	Martin County Judge
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Others in Attendance:

Cameron Walker, AICP	Executive Director, Permian Basin MPO
Akyra Hamilton	GIS Tech, Planner Permian Basin MPO
Kimberly Potter	Office Manager, Permian Basin MPO
Robert Ornelas, P.E.	Director of TP&D, TxDOT Odessa District
John Henderson	Attorney and Grant Coordinator, Ector County
Eddie Landrum	Dir. Of P & D, Ector County
Michele Hagemann	Grant Accountant, City of Midland
Joe Tucker, P.E.	Director of Public Works, City of Odessa
Christina Burns	City of Odessa
Jesus Saenz	Kimley-Horn
Frew Bogale, P.E.	Odessa District Area Engineer, TxDOT
John Beckmeyer	Odessa City Manager via Zoom
Chad Wyndham	TxDOT via Zoom
Adrian Acosta	City of Midland
Jose Ortiz	City Manager, City of Midland
Rey Carrasco	Kimley-Horn
Maryann Cedillo	Public Information Officer, TxDOT
Jeff Avery	Public Works Director, Ector County

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:33 pm by Terry Johnson

2. Introductions and Announcements

All attendees introduced themselves.

3. Public Comment Period (limited to 3 minutes each)

There were no public comments.

4. Approve the Policy Board Minutes from July 15, 2024

Motion to approve the Minutes was made by Steve Thompson and seconded by Terry Johnson. Approved unanimously.

5. Approve the May 2024 Billing Statement

Motion to approve the Billing Statement was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Steve Thompson. Approved unanimously.

6. Approve the MPO's Unified Planning Work Program for FY 2025

Staff presented the proposed UPWP for Fiscal Year 2025. Highlights include the following:

- Task 1 remains the same as FY 2024. This task contains numerous subtasks – most of which are associated with administrative costs such as unileave, rent, water filtration, newspaper notices, public involvement materials, travel, planning for safe streets for all users, and resilience planning. No increase is proposed for this task.
- Task 2 remains the same as FY 2024. This task includes socio economic data collection and analysis to meet IJJA requirements as well as traffic data collection and maintenance. No increase is proposed for this task.
- Task 3 shows a significant increase. This task includes preparation of two annual reports as well as amendments to the TIP, and the UPWP itself. It also includes planning and funding for the public transit system in the Midland Odessa Urbanized Area. Total increase is \$5,651,799.
- Task 4 is proposed to be higher than FY 2024. This work involves the 2050 MTP, the Congestion Management Process, and the Travel Demand Model. Total increase in Task 4 is \$1,700.
- Task 5 is proposed at \$336,700. These funds are proposed to allow the MPO to assist with the preparation of ADA transition plans, any work associated with the continuation of Comprehensive Safety Action planning, and General Planning Services. Some funding will be carried over for these projects should work continue into FY 2026. Total increase in Task 5 is \$6,700.

A Motion to approve the UPWP for FY 2025 was made by Jack Ladd and seconded by Terry Johnson. Approved unanimously.

7. Presentation on the Draft TxDOT 2025 Unified Transportation Program

Staff presented the highlights of the Draft 2025 TxDOT UTP to the Policy Board.

8. Update on the 2050 MTP

Staff presented an update to the Board on the status of the MTP.

9. MPO Staff Reports

Staff attended the Transportation Innovation Alliance Competition in San Antonio. Staff worked with TxDOT to prepare a presentation on the I-27 corridor for the TxDOT Transportation Planning Conference. Staff circulated a survey to the stakeholder email database requesting input for the 2050 MTP.

10. Agency Reports

TxDOT Odessa District

- SH 191 and FM 1788 – work is progressing quickly
- Ave A is moving along – stripe put down last week
- Odessa – 2nd street completed micro-surface, stripe.
- I-20 JBS Parkway to CR 1300 continue widening
- Moss and BI-20

City of Midland

- Sinclair at SH 158 – putting a signal to serve the growing area
- SH 158 – extension of Wadley to SH 158
- Bid out – construction starting on last two bond projects Main Street and Garfield.
- Northeast sewer line – I-20, B-20, and the Loop
- Fairgrounds – connection from Loop 250 up to Mockingbird

Midland County

- CR 120 – East West corridor from West Loop Antelope Trail all the way east to Greenwood
- CR 130 – Connecting Antelope Trail to the East of Loop 250 complete
- CR 1130 is about to begin being rebuilt widen to 3 lanes 4-6 months
- CR 1180 – has been rebuilt from 120 to 135 reconstruction and construction to 140

City of Odessa

- I-20 segment 2 has fire hydrants in the way, looking to be awarded.
- S Faudree from SH 191 up to Yukon is still on schedule
- Utilities about to begin on
- Crane reconstruction project has had a hiccup due to sewer
- N Dixie under design from Walnut up to 46th where the last project stopped – preliminary plans this month
- Derado reconstruction – engineering proposal going to council to be approved for design – about a mile reconstruction from Faudree Rd going East.

Ector County

- Ector County got their W 42nd project from 1936 to Moss northside is completed – they are starting construction on the southside in the next week
- Tripp Ave phase 1 from 42nd to University – East side of the road being reconstructed – concrete pour now.
- Wrapping up caliche road project for the year – 6 different caliche roads were paved.

Martin County

- There were no agency reports from Martin County

MOUTD

- Special Olympics asked EZ-Rider be a logistical partner in moving the members of the Olympic Team

11. Future Meetings

*Policy Board Meeting –Monday September 16, 2024

TAC – August 26 at 3:00 p.m.

- 12. 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.**

13. Take Action Concerning Executive Session Matters

14. Adjourn

Mike Gardner asked for motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Steve Thompson and seconded by Terry Johnson.

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