



# Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, April 5, 2023  
11:00 A.M.

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# RGVMPO BPAC

## Meeting Agenda

### I. CALL TO ORDER

*Time:*

*By:*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. CITIZENS INPUT/PUBLIC COMMENT**

**IV. PRESENTATION, ACTION, AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of March 1, 2023.

B. Presentation and Discussion on the FHWA Complete Streets Workshop (held March 8<sup>th</sup>) Summary

C. Presentation and Discussion on the Quarterly RGV BCycle (bikeshare program) Updates

D. Presentation and Discussion on the TxDOT Pharr District Bike Plan

**V. PROJECT UPDATES**

**VI. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. FY2023-2024 RGVMPO TASA Program Call

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**



# I. ROLL CALL · *Membership Attendance will be tracked per the adopted bylaws ·*

	Membership	Term	Organization/Agency	Primary Designee	Alternate Representative	Term
1	Public Agency	2 yrs	City of Weslaco	Omar Rodriguez	Rebekah de la Fuente	Aug. 2021 - July 2023
2	Public Agency	2 yrs	Sullivan City	Alma Salinas	Ana Mercado	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
3	Public Agency	2 yrs	TxDOT	Craig Wuensche	Roberto Garza	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
4	Public Agency	2 yrs	Edinburg	Larry Ayala	Valentin Sanchez Jr.	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
5	Public Agency	2 yrs	Pharr	Ruben Alfaro	Maria Rangel	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
6	Public Agency	2 yrs	Brownsville	Octavio Salazar	Joel Garza	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
7	Public Agency	2 yrs	Valley Metro	George Huerta	Claudia Olmedo	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
8	Public Agency	2 yrs	LRGVDC	Horacio Garza	Nancy Sanchez	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Economic Dev. Agency	1 or 2	<i>Vacant</i>			
9	Bicycle-Oriented	2	Valley Off-Road Bicycling Association (VORBA)	David Hernandez	x	Oct. 2021 – Sept. 2023
10	Bicycle-Oriented	1 or 2	Caracara Trails	Rose Gowen	Lisa Neergaard	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
	Pedestrian-Oriented	1 or 2	<i>Vacant</i>			
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11	Stakeholder Org.	2 yrs	UTRGV	Rodney Gomez	Pablo Aguilar	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
12	Stakeholder Org.	2 yrs	TPWD	Javier De Leon	Kelly Malkoski	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024
	Stakeholder Org.	2 yrs	<i>Vacant</i>			
	Stakeholder Org.	2 yrs	<i>Vacant</i>			
13	Bike/Ped Citizen	1 or 2	At-Large	Ana Adame	Tracy Roberts	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
14	Bike/Ped Citizen	1 or 2	At-Large	Nina Torkelson	Robert Ordez	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
15	Bike/Ped Citizen	1 or 2	At-Large	Michael McNew	Jon Ray Bocanegra	Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2024
16	Bike/Ped Citizen	1 or 2	At-Large	Richard Cavin	x	Oct. 2022 – Sept. 2024



# · RGVMPO BPAC · ATTENDANCE TRACKING ·

P = Present  
A = Absent

	Organization/Agency	January 11 <sup>th</sup>	February 1 <sup>st</sup>	March 1 <sup>st</sup>	April 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	June 7 <sup>th</sup>	August 2 <sup>nd</sup>	September 6 <sup>th</sup>	October 4 <sup>th</sup>	November 1 <sup>st</sup>
1	City of Weslaco	A	P	A	P						
2	Sullivan City	P	A	P	A						
3	TxDOT	P	P	P	P						
4	Edinburg	P	P	P	P						
5	Pharr	P	P	P	P						
6	Brownsville	P	P	P	P						
7	Valley Metro	P	P	P	P						
8	LRGVDC	P	P	P	P						
9	Valley Off-Road Bicycling Association (VORBA)	P	P	P	P						
10	Caracara Trails	P	X	P	A						
11	UTRGV	P	P	P	P						
12	TPWD	P	P	A	P						
13	Nina Torkelson/Robert Ordez	P	P	P	P						
14	Richard Cavin	P	P	P	P						
15	Ana Adame/Tracy Roberts	A	P	P	P						
16	Michael McNew/Jon Ray Bocanegra	A	P	P	P						

#### IV. Maintaining Membership

Voting members will be in ex-officio status and lose their voting privileges after missing three (3) consecutive monthly/bi-monthly meetings, or two (2) consecutive quarterly meetings. To regain

voting privileges, members in ex-officio status must attend three (3) consecutive monthly/bi-monthly meetings, or two (2) consecutive quarterly meetings.



# III. CITIZENS INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT

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- *All are encouraged to provide input or make comments on bike/ped projects or programs.*
- *911 Response system – allows for better location of distressed citizens. Looking for interested municipalities. Pilot in Harlingen.*



## IV.A Discussion & Possible Action to Approve the Minutes of March 1, 2023

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• ***RGVMPO BPAC · March 1, 2023 · Meeting Minutes*** •



*Possible Action:*

*Motion By: David Hernandez*

*Seconded By: Nancy Sanchez*



# IV.B. Presentation and Discussion on the FHWA Complete Streets Workshop (held March 8th) Summary

## • *Complete Streets Definition* •

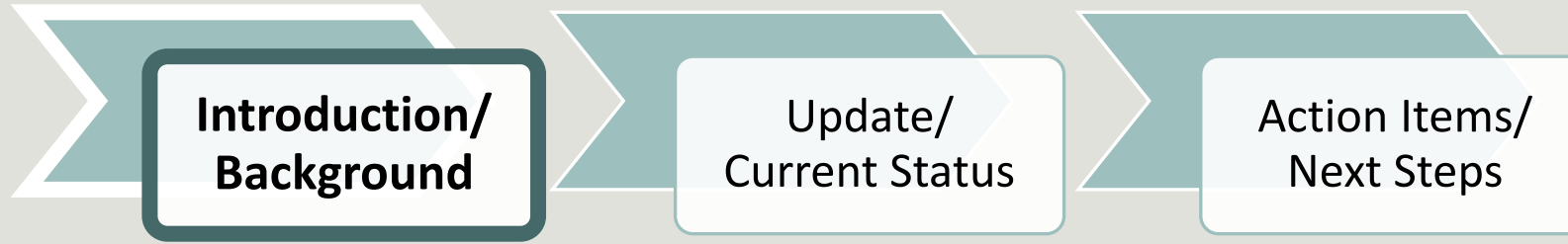
- Complete Streets is an approach to **planning, designing, building, operating, and maintaining streets** that enables safe access for all people who need to use them, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities.



**Introduction/  
Background**

**Update/  
Current Status**

**Action Items/  
Next Steps**



## · *Why Complete Streets?* ·

- Public Health
- Public Safety
- Transportation Choices
- Economic Development
- Cost Effective
- Environmental Benefits
- Equity

**\*Nearly half of all US vehicle trips are under 3 miles.**





Introduction/  
Background

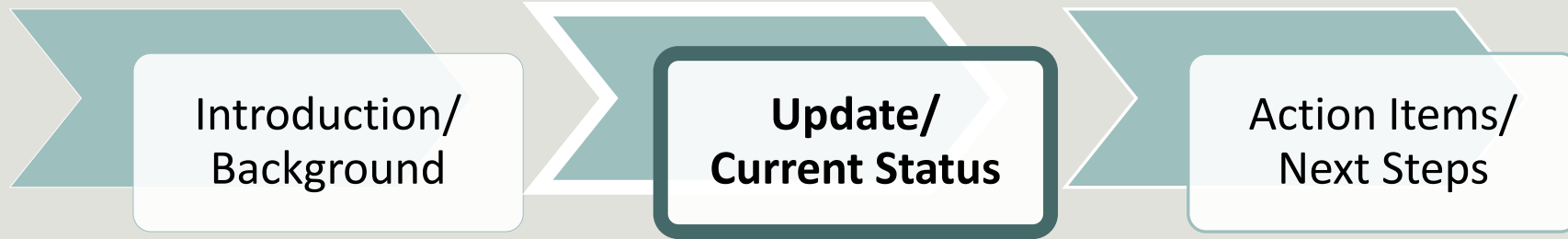
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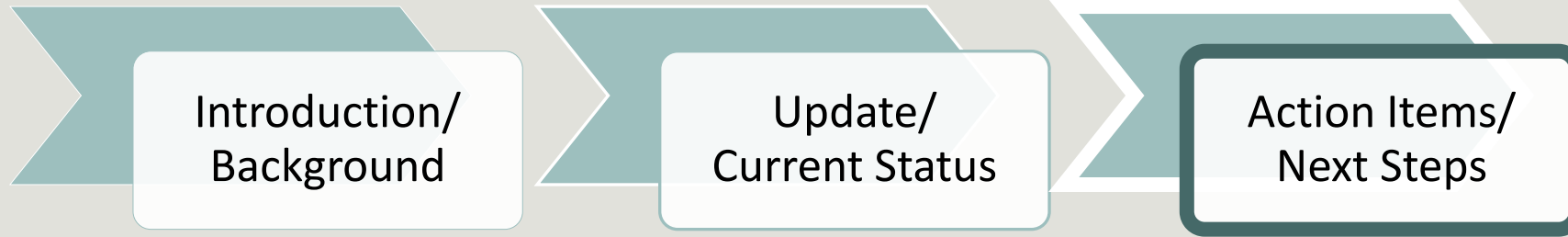
· ***Economic Development*** ·

- Walkable commercial neighborhoods in DC have 75% higher office rents than auto-oriented suburban neighborhoods.
- [Walk Score](#) - +1 point on Walk Score scale = +\$500 to \$3,000 in home value.



### · *Strategies and Design* ·

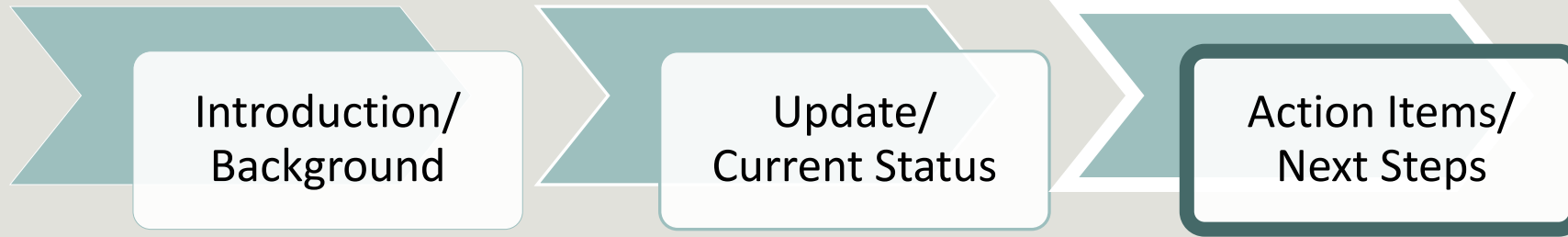
- Complete Streets is all about using existing resources effectively, including STP, CMAQ, HSIP, TAP, State, bond measures, sales tax, property taxes, etc.
- Designs should be contextually appropriate, to meet the needs of the specific community. Should be done in coordination with land use planning. For example, in some rural areas, shoulders may be appropriate to complete the street. In other areas, curb extensions, elevated crosswalks, separated bike lanes, elevated intersections, and other tools may be necessary. Vehicle lane width reduction can reduce driving speeds, saving lives in pedestrian/bicyclist crashes.
- The creation of a bike/ped network is ideal. Not every street needs to be complete, so long as all users have adequate access to all locations.
- The MPO plans to use counter data and other performance measures to monitor progress and inform decision making.



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· ***RGVMPO Complete Streets Policy Development*** ·

- RGVMPO Staff, in conjunction with ATG, have drafted a regional Complete Streets Policy.
- This policy is intended to detail Complete Streets best practices and will furthermore represent a commitment from the MPO's Transportation Policy Board (TPB) members to design streets with Complete Streets design concepts, as contextually appropriate.



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· ***RGVMPO Complete Streets Policy Implementation*** ·

- The adopted RGVMPO Complete Streets policy will be published to the RGVMPO's website on the Complete Streets webpage.
- Local governments are strongly encouraged to adopt their own local Complete Streets Policies. The best practices included in this document can serve as guidance to local governments in the region in adopting their own Complete Streets Policies.



# IV.B. Presentation and Discussion on the FHWA Complete Streets Workshop (held March 8th) Summary

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• *Discussion* • *Action* •



*Possible Action:*

*Motion By: Nancy Sanchez*

*Seconded By:*

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# RGV B CYCLE

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01 Introduction

02 Results from last year

03 Cost

04 What's next

# 01 RGV B CYCLE

## RGV B CYCLE

is a great way to get around town or drive leisurely.

RGV BCycle members can pick up a bike at any station and return it to that same station or any other station when they're done. Using their the

BCycle App, members can unlock a bike in seconds.

Returning a bike is even easier. Just roll it into a dock and walk away.



Awarded 250,000 through VBLF  
9 Stations for Cameron County  
50 2.0 Bicycles for Cameron and Hidalgo County  
8 Stations were absorbed from McAllen B Cycle that started in 2015.

02 Results from last year



# Annual Growth



March 2022 through March 2023.

Slight Decline in our stations for our yearly report.

Membership Type	Purchase Date	Memberships Purchased	Total Membership Sales	Avg Price Paid	Promo Code Count
1-Hour Kiosk Pass		1680	3,360.00	2.00	0
1-Hour Pass		1488	2,976.00	2.00	0
24-Hour Kiosk Pass		135	810.00	6.00	0
24-Hour Pass Online		165	990.00	6.00	0
30 Day Pass		4	60.00	15.00	2
7 Day Pass		8	120.00	15.00	0
Annual Membership		5	325.00	65.00	0
<b>Report Total</b>		<b>3385</b>	<b>8,641.00</b>	<b>2.59</b>	<b>2</b>

Top Kiosks in use are  
 Northside Transfer Station  
 Dean Porter Park  
 Lon C. Hill  
 Belden Trail  
 Heritage Museum  
 Linear Park

Membership Type	Purchase Date	Memberships Purchased	Total Membership Sales	Avg Price Paid	Promo Code Count
1-Hour Kiosk Pass		1253	2,506.00	2.00	0
1-Hour Pass		1564	3,128.00	2.00	0
24-Hour Kiosk Pass		66	396.00	6.00	0
24-Hour Pass Online		147	882.00	6.00	0
7 Day Pass		1	15.00	15.00	0
Annual Membership		3	195.00	65.00	0
<b>Report Total</b>		<b>3034</b>	<b>7,122.00</b>	<b>2.63</b>	<b>0</b>

# 03 Cost



## CONFIDENTIAL QUOTE

RGV BCycle c/o LRGVDC  
301 W. Railroad  
Weslaco, TX 78596

Prepared by: Lee J  
On: 03/15/23

Quote is valid for 30 Days

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Information: **Please advise ship to address and any special delivery information**

Part no.	BCYCLE ELECTRIC BIKES	UNIT \$	QTY	TOTAL \$
590839	Bikes (3-speed) includes shroud	\$ 2,715	11	\$ 29,865
	-E-Bike Key	\$ 7	4	\$ 28
	-Spare Battery	\$ 455	11	\$ 5,005
	-Battery Charger	\$ 88	11	\$ 968
	-Secondary Lock Kit	\$ 45	11	\$ 495
	-Bike Battery Tracker - Bike Module	\$ 105	11	\$ 1,155
	-Bike Decals	\$ 65	11	\$ 715
	-Battery Lock	\$ 75	11	\$ 825
	-Spare Parts Shipment	\$ 150	1	\$ 150
	-Bike Shipping	\$ 90	11	\$ 990
	<b>Bike Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>40,196</b>

Part no.	BCYCLE 3.0 STATION	UNIT \$	QTY	TOTAL \$
600903	3.0 Dock	\$ 1,885	9	\$ 16,965.00
5257547	Battery Charger	\$ 30	2	\$ 60.00
5255802	Proprietary Top Cap Removal Tool	\$ 16.50	3	\$ 49.50
N/A	-Decal Set	\$ 25	9	\$ 225.00
5255793	-Spare Battery	\$ 222	3	\$ 666.00
5259447	-Battery Expansion Kit	\$ 20	1	\$ 20.00
5255801	-Manual Bike Release Key	\$ 10.30	3	\$ 30.90
	-Bike Battery Tracker - Dock Module	\$ 90	1	\$ 90
1052305	-Baseplate (2 dock single sided, 3 dock doublesided)	\$ 665	0	\$ -
5252597	- Endcap Kit	\$ 401	0	\$ -
5252598	- Ballast Kit	\$ 462	0	\$ -
5252599	- Ballast Removal Tool	\$ 45	0	\$ -
5268526	- Dock Fastener Pack (2 docks)	\$ 11.00	0	\$ -
	<b>3.0 docks to be installed in to concrete pad. Please advise for quote if baseplates required.</b>			
	3.0 Dock Shipping (Estimated)	\$ 100	9	\$ 900.00
	Wayfinding Panel	\$ 1,325	1	\$ 1,325.00
	Wayfinding Panel Decal Set	\$ 145	1	\$ 145.00
	Wayfinding Panel Shipping (Estimated)	\$ 350	1	\$ 350.00
	<b>Station Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>20,826</b>

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SYSTEM SET-UP FEE	UNIT \$	QTY	TOTAL \$
Station Installation			\$ -
Installation Travel Expenses			\$ -
One-Time System Set-up Fee	\$ 3,000		\$ -
<b>Total Amount Due:</b>	<b>\$</b>		<b>61,022</b>

ONGOING BCYCLE SOFTWARE & DATA FEES	UNIT \$	QTY	TOTAL \$
- Annual Enterprise Software Fee (per dock)*	TBD	0	#VALUE!
- Annual Dock Communication Fees (per dock)	\$ 60	9	\$ 540
- Annual Kiosk Communication Fees (per kiosk)	\$ 120	0	\$ -

- Quoted prices are for current, in-stock inventory, as available. Product specifications subject to change without notice.
- Due to the uncertainty of the current global market, BCycle reserves the right to increase equipment costs based upon production, freight, duties, tariffs, or taxes.
- BCycle recommends 4 spare battery for every 10 bikes and 1 charger for every spare battery.
- BCycle recommends 1 spare battery for every 10 docks and 1 charger for every spare battery.
- BCycle recommends 1 Security Bit and 1 Manual Bike Release key per Technical Staff member.
- Bike Warranty: 1 yr warranty on motor, wiring & electronics, battery, and bike parts. 3 yr warranty on bike frame.
- Station Warranty: 6 month warranty on dock and accessories.
- All Warranties exclude accident, abuse, misuse, vandalism, or theft.
- Customer is responsible for dock install and bike assembly
- Quoted prices exclude sales tax, if applicable.
- \*Software Fee varies based on the systems size. Software fees specified inBCycle's Digital Platform Services Agreement.

# 04 What's next



Improve/Replace McAllen Kiosk Stations

Replace Hugh Ramsey Nature Park Station with New 3.0 station.

Seek new cities to add RGV B CYCLE stations

Promote New Events for RGV B CYCLE

LRGVDC/RGVMPO plan to apply for more funding through VBLF.

Suggestions for improvement in programs

[hgarza@lrgvdc.org](mailto:hgarza@lrgvdc.org)



# IV.C Presentation and Discussion on the Quarterly RGV B-Cycle (Bikeshare Program) Updates

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## *• Discussion • Action •*

- *11 new e-bikes, 9 new docking stations for Hugh Ramsey Park.*
- *30-day rental price: \$30.*
- *24 hour pass: \$6.*
- *Yearly pass: \$60.*
- *Bikes must be docked every 60 minutes.*

*Possible Action:*

*Motion By:*

*Seconded By:*



# IV.D Presentation and Discussion on the TxDOT Pharr District Bike Plan

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• *Discussion* • *Action* •



*Possible Action:*

*Motion By:*

*Seconded By:*



## V. PROJECT UPDATES

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- ***Members are encouraged to share updates on bike/ped projects or programs*** •
- Workshop in Arkansas on recreating Bentonville bicycle tourism network. Some members will share what they have learned. Building off-road trail systems.
- IMBA has information on workshops in future, can contact David Hernandez.



## VI. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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- *Members are encouraged to bring up ideas and considerations for future meetings, or to inquire about past items/ideas.* ·





# RGVMPO FY2023-2024 TASA Schedule of Activities

\*Target dates

Date	Milestones
March 1, 2023	RGVMPO FY2023-2024 TASA Call for Projects Opens (12 p.m.).
<b>March 15, 2023</b>	<b>RGVMPO TASA Program Virtual Workshop (Microsoft Teams).</b>
March 22, 2023	RGVMPO TASA Program Virtual Workshop (Microsoft Teams).
March 31, 2023*	Responses to TASA Workshop questions posted.
<i>April 26, 2023</i>	<i>Deadline to request Technical Assistance (5 p.m.).</i>
<b>May 31, 2023</b>	<b>Deadline to submit application/project proposals (5 p.m.).</b>
June 2023	RGVMPO & TxDOT Staff application review (may seek clarification).
July 2023	Complete applications proceed to RGVMPO BPAC Voting Members for review.
<i>August 2, 2023</i>	<i>Presentations to the RGVMPO Bicycle &amp; Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC).</i>
<i>August 2023</i>	Special RGVMPO BPAC Meeting for application evaluation and project scoring.
September 14, 2023	Recommendations presented to RGVMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).
September 27, 2023*	RGVMPO Transportation Policy Board (TPB) awards/programs TASA funds.



# Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program

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## The RGVMPPO is currently opening the FY 2023-2024 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) Program Call

In consultation with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the RGVMPPO is responsible for selecting projects for TA funding, through a competitive process (23 U.S.C. 133(h)(4)(C)). A competitive process should allow project sponsors to understand the project selection evaluation criteria and how projects will be evaluated.

**TASA Program Guide**  
FY 2023-2024  
RGVMPPO TASA  
Program Guide

**TASA Scoring Criteria**  
FY 2023-2024  
RGVMPPO TASA  
Scoring Criteria

**TASA Application**  
FY 2023-2024  
RGVMPPO TASA  
Application

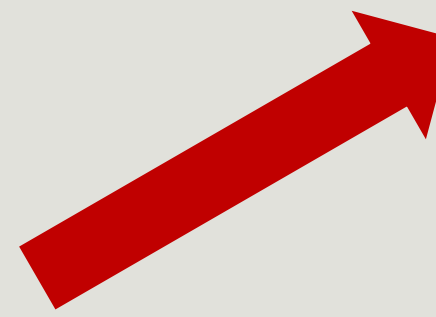
### FORM

[Technical Assistance Request Form](#)

Email comments, feedback, or questions to Eva L. Garcia, Planner III: BikePed Program Coordinator, at [egarcia@rgvmpo.org](mailto:egarcia@rgvmpo.org), and Melany Rodriguez, GIS Specialist/Planner I, at [mrodriguez@rgvmpo.org](mailto:mrodriguez@rgvmpo.org).

### Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Workshops

- [Meeting #1 Presentation \(3.15.23\)](#)
- [Meeting #2 \(3.22.23\) at 1:30PM - 3PM](#)



**• April 26, 2023  
@ 5:00 PM •**

**Deadline to  
Request  
Technical  
Assistance**

### Technical Assistance Request Form

To request technical assistance for the RGVMPPO Program Call, please fill out this form below.

**\* Name**  
   
First Name Last Name

**\* Title ?**  
  
200 characters

**Entity ?**  
  
200 characters

**\* Email**

**\* Contact number**  
   
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**Available Date and Time to meet**

**Alternate available Date and Time to meet**

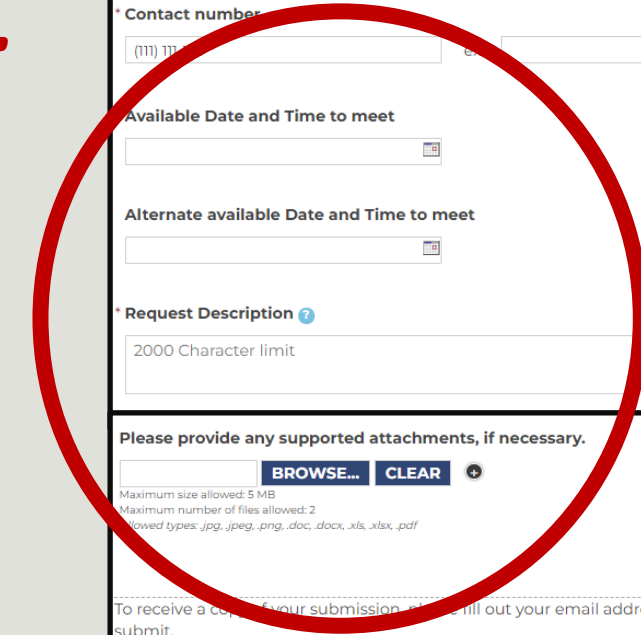
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2000 Character limit

**Please provide any supported attachments, if necessary.**  
 **BROWSE...** **CLEAR**   
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# VII. ADJOURNMENT

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*· Next Meeting · May 3, 2023 ·*



*Motion to Adjourn: at 11:56am*

*Motion By: Nancy Sanchez*

*Seconded By: David Hernandez*