

# FULL POLICY BOARD AGENDA

## POLICY BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022 – 1:30 PM

RIO GRANDE VALLEY

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO)

*Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meeting Act, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the RGVMPO POLICY BOARD will be held **In Person** at the LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W. Railroad Street, Building B, Ken Jones Executive Board Room in Weslaco, TX.*

- I. Call To Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. **Public Comments** – Maybe submitted online or maybe submitted in paper form specifying the matter you wish to address.
- IV. **Consent Agenda**

1. **Approval of Minutes:**

December 15, 2021

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Judge Eddie Trevino, Jr., Chairman

**Item Summary:** Approval of the December 15, 2021, Regular Meeting minutes contained in Electronic Item “A” will be requested.

**Background:** N/A

2. **Discussion And Action on the FY2023-2026 TIP Text Document**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:** Rudy Zamora Jr., Transportation Planner

**Item Summary:** RGVMPO Staff has created the Comprehensive TIP Text portion of the document for FY 2023-2026. A Final Draft will be presented within the meeting packet for your review and approval. Staff will remain available for questions and/or concerns throughout the completion of the FY 2023-2026 TIP.

**Background:** The Comprehensive TIP text is an all-inclusive document covering planning aspects that range from the definitions of our planning area to funding programs, public involvement process, public transportation, performance measures, TIP project selection process, and additional supporting information. The text portion of the document is completed before inclusion of both Highway and Transit TIP tables. A timeline for creation of the FY 2023-2026 TIP is included in the meeting packet, as well.

**3. Discussion and Action on the FY2021 - 2024 TIP & 2045 MTP Amendment, February 2022 Revisions**

**Action**       **Possible Action**       **Information**

**Presenter:** Rudy Zamora Jr., Transportation Planner

**Item Summary:** The FY 2021-2024 Highway & Transit TIP tables will undergo its last Revision cycle before creation of the new TIP. The MTP will also be updated during this revision cycle. All revisions and administrative modifications have been identified on both the TIP & MTP tables included in the meeting packet. An action for approval is now needed prior to uploading documents to the E-STIP Portal.

**Background:** The FY 2021-2024 Highway & Transit TIP tables, along with the 2045 MTP will be amended for the February 2022 Revision cycle. All amendments received were reviewed and approved by TAC and TPB members previously reviewed them as well. A 30-day public involvement period was held from December 3<sup>rd</sup> – January 3<sup>rd</sup> and all documentation was displayed on our website and social media outlets. The February 2022 quarterly revision cycle schedule is also included within the meeting packet.

**4. Discussion on the Congestion Study-RFP**

**Action**       **Possible Action**       **Information**

**Presenter:** Andrew A. Canon, Executive Director

**Item Summary:** The RGVMPPO periodically performs a regional Congestion Study to analyze congestion levels within the region as well as preforms a signal synchronization study to analyze corridor movements and possible improvements that can be made to synchronization of corridors to improve traffic movements. The RGVMPPO hopes to analyze 1,000 center line miles as well as 75 signalized intersections for possible recommendations.

**Background:** FHWA requires that the RGVMPPO performs, at least, bi-annually, a regional congestion study of the region. The study should provide recommendations to address traffic delays and to analyze volume versus capacity as well as other attributes that will provide recommendations to address delay and congestion on a regional basis.

**5. Discussion and Update on the Annual Bike/Ped Program**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**      **Eva Garcia, Planner III: Bike/Ped Program  
Coordinator**

**Item Summary:** RGVMPPO Staff will report on the current status and upcoming activities of various Bike/Ped projects and programs. The annual update will include information regarding: CAT 9 (TASA) project developments; RGVMPPO BPAC Working Groups; RGV Traffic Safety Initiative; RGV Bicycle and Pedestrian Counter Data Program; RGV Transportation Alternatives Facility Inventory; and RGV B-Cycle (Bike Share) Program.

**Background:** To ensure transparency with the RGVMPPO's policymakers and transportation professionals, RGVMPPO Staff will report on the status of all active transportation alternatives project funded through the RGVMPPO's Category 9 (TASA) funds/apportionment. Additionally, the RGVMPPO Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Policy Board approved/adopted the RGVMPPO Active Transportation Plan (ATP) in December 2020. In the last year, since its adoption, several initiatives recommended for implementation within the ATP have been progressing, and new initiatives are kicking-off.

**V. Executive Session**

A. Personnel Matters Pursuant to Section 551-074 (1) to Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee

**RE: Executive Director**

B. Reconvene into Open Session to Consider ACTION, if any, on Items Related to in Executive Session as Described above:

**VI. RGVMPPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UPDATES**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**      **Andrew A. Canon, RGVMPPO**

**Item Summary:** **Financial Update**

**Item Summary: TRB Conference** - The Transportation Research Board (TRB) 101st Annual Meeting was held in person January 9–13, 2022 in Washington, D.C. The event attracted thousands of transportation professionals from around the world.

The [meeting program](#) covered all transportation modes, with sessions and workshops addressing topics of interest to policy makers, administrators, practitioners, researchers, and representatives of government, industry, and academic institutions. Several sessions and workshops focus on the spotlight theme for the 2022 meeting: *Innovating an Equitable, Resilient, Sustainable, and Safe Transportation System*.

**Item Summary: Texas Transportation Forum**  
February 6-8, 2022 -San Antonio

**VII. Status Report**

**A. TxDOT Project Status Report**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**      **TxDOT**

**B. Cameron County RMA**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**      **Pete Sepulveda**

**C. Hidalgo County RMA**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**      **Eric Davila**

**D. Regional Transit Metro**

Action       Possible Action       Information

**Presenter:**

**VIII. Other Business (Old or New):** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of interest before the group.

**XI. Next Meeting:** The next “**In Person Meeting**” of the RGVMPPO Policy Board Meeting is scheduled for **1:30 pm on February 23, 2022, at the Ken Jones Boardroom - Weslaco.**