RIO GRANDE VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, March 3, 2021 AT 11:00 A.M.

AGENDA

VIA – Microsoft Teams

- 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 February 3, 2021
 - B. Presentation and Discussion on RGVMPO Regional Data Portal
 - C. Presentation and Discussion on RGVMPO Transit Development Plan
 - D. Presentation and Discussion on Bicycle and Pedestrian Design Best Practices
 - E. Presentation and Discussion on Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA)
- V. PROJECT UPDATES
- VI. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Minutes of the Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

Wednesday, February 3, 2021 At 11:00 AM

Microsoft Teams

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) meeting was held VIA Microsoft Teams and called to order by RGVMPO BPAC Chair Rose Gowen, at 11:03 AM.

II. ROLL CALL

RGVBPAC Representatives in attendance were as follows:

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Entity	Individual
Bicycle / Ped Health Advocate	Rose Gowen (Chair)
Bicycle / Pedestrian Citizen At-Large	Michael McNew (Vice Chair) PRESENT
City of Brownsville	Joel Garza
	Mark Lund PRESENT
City of Edinburg	Larry Ayala PRESENT
City of Harlingen	Andy Vigstol PRESENT
	Javier Mendez PRESENT
City of McAllen	Marlen Garza PRESENT
	Martina Mejia PRESENT
	Rosvel H PRESENT
City of Pharr	Cynthia Garza PRESENT
	Omar Anzaldua PRESENT
Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge	Christine Donald PRESENT
Texas Parks & Wildlife Department – Estero Llano Grande	Javier De Leon
TxDOT	Craig Wuensche PRESENT
	Joseph E. Leal PRESENT
Valley Metro – B-Cycle	Juan Macias PRESENT
Valley Metro	Frank Jaramillo PRESENT
Bicycle World RGV	Ana Adame PRESENT
Citizen At-Large	Eudenia "Eudy" Carrillo
Museum South Texas History	Rene A. Ballesteros PRESENT
Bicycle / Pedestrian Citizen At-Large	Richard Cavin PRESENT
Bicycle / Pedestrian Citizen At-Large	Michael Padgett
OTHER ATTENDEES:	Jim Carillo
	Kate de Gennaro
STAFF	
RGVMPO	Andrew A. Canon
	Crystal Gonzalez Rudy Zamora
	Melany Rodriguez
	Gloria Banda
	Eva Garcia

III. CITIZENS INPUT - NONE

IV. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND ACTION ITEMS

A. Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of January 6, 2021
BPAC Vice Chair Michael McNew asked if there were any corrections to the Minutes of January 6, 2021. No corrections were noted to the minutes of January 6, 2021, Andy Vigstol (City of Harlingen) made a motion to approve minutes as presented by staff. The motion was seconded by Craig Wuensche (TxDOT Pharr Dist.) and upon a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

B. Discussion on Implementation of the RGVMPO Active Transportation Plan

Eva Garcia (RGVMPO) informed BPAC Members that she received 6 responses on the Active Transportation Survey emailed two weeks prior. Ms. Garcia reviewed the feedback summary and highlighted the ATP recommendations and topics of interest:

- Regional Data Portal
- Regional Design Standards
- Design and Print Walking and Biking Maps
- Regional Standards for Facility Inventory and Strategy
- Regional Bike/Ped Count Program
- Regional BikeShare Program
- Establish a Wayfinding Program
- RGVMPO Transit Development Plan
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Design Best Practices
- Texas Bicycle Tourism Trails Study

Ms. Garcia also reviewed some of the feedback/comments from the survey questions:

- Heat map of key destinations and other data for planning purposes (CCMPO Example, p. 11/134)
- Improvement of the long range vision and associated maps in the ATP, Fig. 3-44
- Hidalgo County Precinct 2 Hike & Bike Trail is a good regional example of trail design, although it floods in light rain events.

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Discussion followed responded that the trail was along drainage infrastructure and there are resiliency planning strategies in trail development, but she would keep her eye on it to better understand what is happening regionally and what national best practices may be. Mr. Richard Cavin, Advocate, shared that he left the comment and understood the use of trails in stormwater management.

V. PROJECT UPDATES

VI. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the BPAC Committee, Rene Ballesteros (Museum of South Texas History) made a motion to adjourn meeting at 11:45 AM. The motion was seconded by Andy Vigstol (City of Harlingen), and upon a vote; the motion passed unanimously.