

Laredo Urban Transportation Study

Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee

Notice of Public Meeting

City of Laredo City Hall
City Council Chambers
1110 Houston Street
Laredo, Texas
November 20, 2017
1:30 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA

- I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL
- III. CITIZEN COMMENT

Speakers are required to fill out witness cards, which must be submitted to MPO Staff no later than 15 minutes after the start of the meeting. Speakers shall identify themselves at the microphone. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. No more than three (3) persons will be allowed to speak on any side of an issue. Should there be more than three (3) people who wish to speak on a specific issue, they should select not more than three (3) representatives to speak on their behalf. The presiding officer may further limit public comment in the interest of order or time. Speakers may not transfer their minutes to any other speaker. Comments should be relevant to City business and delivered in a professional manner. No derogatory remarks shall be permitted.

IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

- A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on October 16, 2017.
- B. Receive public testimony and initiate a ten-day public review and comment period for the following proposed amendment(s) to the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):
 - 1. **Removal** of project CSJ 0086-14-082 intended to provide for the development of plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E) for the Jacaman and Airport overpasses. Proposed work has an estimated cost of 4.6 million dollars.
Rationale: All \$4.6 million in project funds are being transferred to (grouped) project identified as CSJ 0086-14-058 intended to provide for the development of PS&E, schematic, environmental, and right of way (ROW) surveying/mapping on Loop 20, from International Boulevard to Saunders Avenue.

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- C. Motion supporting Webb County's request to re-allocate all surplus funds, in the approximate amount of \$3,087,361.75 from CSJ0086-14-065 (Main lanes over I35), and approving TxDOT's re-allocation of said surplus funds to CSJ 0086-14-058, a grouped project, for Schematic, PS&E, Environmental, and right-of-way mapping and surveying and which generally includes, as its project limits, From: International To: US 59 Business (Saunders Ave.).
- D. Motion supporting City's request for \$10 million in CBI funding for the World Trade Bridge FASTLANE project as follows (and any matters incident thereto):

– Move from CSJ 0086- 14- 058 PS&E of Airport and Jacaman <i>(\$4,641,030 CBI funds previously approved MPO action)</i>	\$4,641,030.00
– Move from CSJ 0086 - 14 - 920 ROW on Loop 20 from US 59 to Airport Overpass <i>(\$4,806,663 CBI funds previously approved MPO action 10/16/16)</i>	\$2,271,609.00
– Move remaining surplus CBI funds from Loop 20/IH 35 main lanes CSJ 0086 - 14 - 065 which let in July 2017	\$3,087,361.75
Total CBI Funds to	\$10,000,000.75

– Supplement US 59 Loop PS&E development with TxDOT Strategy 111 funds	\$4,641,030.00
– Supplement US 59 Loop ROW from US 59 to Airport with TxDOT ROW funds	\$2,271,609.00
– Propose use of TxDOT Strategy 111 funds for additional US 59 Loop PS&E development to offset surplus	\$3,087,361.75
Total:	\$10,000,000.75

– Additional CBI funds which remain in CSJ 0086- 14- 920	\$2,535,054.00
Original	\$12,535,054.75

- E. Discussion with possible action on TxDOT's proposed development of a Right of Way (ROW), conceptual schematic and constraints analysis for the mid to long range improvements recommended by the TTI study for Mines Road.
- F. Discussion with possible action on the Regional Mobility Authority's funding and its proposed system infrastructure project approach alternatives.
- G. Discussion with possible action on the letting date for Calton Railroad Grade Separation project (0922-33-093) which is proposed to move from November 2017 (FY 2018) to August (FY 2018).
- H. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.
- V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)
- A. Riverbank Road:

1. Presentation by Joe Medina on the Riverbank Road project.
 2. Report by TxDOT on possible funding sources available to the Riverbank Road project.
- B. RMA:
1. Presentation on the proposed scope of services for the Mines Road Regional study.
 2. Presentation by the RMA on its mass transit recommendations.
 3. Status of the RMA.
- C. Flecha/Las Cruces Realignment Project:
1. Report by the City of Laredo Real Estate Division on the status of Flecha/Las Cruces Realignment project's Right of Way (ROW) acquisition.
 2. Report by CEC representative on the status of the Flecha/Las Cruces Realignment project's: plans and specification updates, Army Corp of Engineers permitting and request for additional funding.
- D. Presentation by TxDOT on the proposed Outer Loop alignment.
- E. Report by MPO Director on the relative competitiveness of the City of Laredo's Infra Grant application.
- F. Report by the TxDOT on the meeting had by the City and TxDOT to discuss the "wish list"/recommendations resulting from the Texas Transportation Institute's (TTI) Mines Road study, pertaining to proposed City of Laredo facility improvements intended to improve the function of Mines Road.
- G. Letting date for the Zacate Creek Hike & Bike Trail (CSJ 0922-33-170) has been moved from November 2017 (FY 2018) to January 2018 (FY 2018).

VI. ADJOURNMENT

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED AT THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1110 HOUSTON STREET, LAREDO, TEXAS, AT A PLACE CONVENIENT AND READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES. SAID NOTICE WAS POSTED BY NOVEMBER 17, 2017, BY 1:30 P.M.

All meetings of the MPO Committee are open to the public. Persons who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services, such as: interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers of large print or Braille, or a translator for the Spanish language are requested to contact Ms. Vanessa Guerra, City Planning, 1120 San Bernardo Ave. at (956) 794-1613, vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us, at least five working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Materials in Spanish may also be provided upon request.

Disability Access Statement - This meeting is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrances are located at 1110 Victoria and 900 Flores. Accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1110 Victoria.

Ayuda o Servicios Auxiliares: Todas las reuniones del Comité del MPO están abiertas al público. Personas que planean asistir a esta reunión y que pueden necesitar ayuda o servicios, auxiliares como: intérpretes para personas con discapacidad auditiva, lectores de letra grande o en Braille, o un traductor para el idioma español deben comunicarse con la Sra. Vanessa Guerra, en el Departamento de Planificación de la Ciudad, 1120 San Bernardo Ave. al (956) 794-1613, vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us, al menos cinco días hábiles antes de la reunión para que los arreglos apropiados se pueden hacer. Materiales in español se proveerán a petición.

Declaración de Acceso a la Discapacidad: Esta reunión es accesible para sillas de ruedas. Las entradas accesibles están ubicadas en 1110 Victoria y 900 Flores. Las plazas de aparcamiento accesibles se encuentran en el Ayuntamiento, 1110 Victoria.

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CITY OF LAREDO REPRESENTATIVES:

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LUTS Chairperson
Honorable Charlie San Miguel, City Councilmember, District VI
Honorable George Altgelt, City Councilmember, District VII

LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Honorable Roberto Balli, City Councilmember, District VIII

COUNTY OF WEBB REPRESENTATIVES:

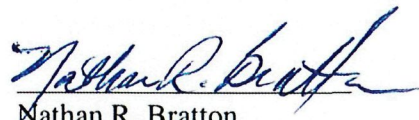
Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge
Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3


STATE REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr. David M. Salazar, Jr., P.E., District Engineer
Ms. Melisa Montemayor, District Administrator

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Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21
Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42
Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80


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MPO Director


for Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
City Secretary