# 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 February 20, 2018 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 December 18, 2017.
  - B. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2018-01 for the proposed amendment(s) to the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP):
    - 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: State is taking over PS&E design cost of the future IH 69 intersections using strategy 111 funds. These funds do not need an independent CSJ for design only; it uses the construction CSJ to allocate design funds. Consequently there is no longer a need to have a design only CSJ. All 4.6 million in project funds are being transferred to project temporarily identified as CSJ 0922-33-933 intended to provide for the construction of a FAST lane at World Trade Bridge. Please note that only the CSJ is being canceled, not the funding.

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- C. Receive public testimony adopting Resolution No. 2018-02, amending the FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) in order to:
  - 1. Amend Subtask 2.2, entitled 2013-2045 Travel Demand Model Update Project by reducing the allocated funds by \$10,000 and reallocating said funds to Subtask 4.2. The Travel Demand Model project is nearing completion and amended budget will adequately provide for project closeout; and,
  - 2. Unifying Subtask 4.2 and Subtask 4.3, the FAST Act Compliance Project and the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update, due to project activity overlap and federal requirement time constraints.
- D. Motion to authorize the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U) between the Laredo Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Texas Department of Transportation and El Metro (the Laredo Public Transportation Operator) as required by 23 CFR 450.314, intended to provide specific provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to the development of financial plans, the TIP, MTP, and performance based data and targets.
- E. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2018-03, adopting and supporting the Texas Department of Transportation's 2018 targets for the five Safety Performance Measures, as listed below:

2018 Safety Targets	Number of Fatalities (FARS/CRIS/ ARF DATA)	Rate of Fatalities (FARS/CRIS/ ARF DATA)	Number of Serious Injuries (FARS/CRIS DATA)	Serious Injury Rate (CRIS DATA)	Total Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries (FARS/CRIS DATA)
2014	3,536	1.45	17,133	7.05	1,893
2015	3,516	1.36	17,096	6.62	2,023
2016	3,775	1.44	17,578	6.71	2,304
2017	3,801	1.45	17,890	6.68	2,224
2018 Target	3,891	1.46	18,130	6.64	2,309
2018 Target as a 5 year Average:	3,704	1.43	17,565	6.74	2,151

- F. Receive public testimony and approve a Motion authorizing the award and execution of a contract in the amount of \$46,400 with Kimley-Horn and Associates for the development of the update of the 2015 Kansas City Southern Railroad Quiet Zone Study.
- G. Receive public testimony and approve a Motion authorizing the award and execution of a contract in the amount of \$335,000 with CDM Smith for the development of the Laredo Metropolitan Plan Update and FAST Act Compliance Project.
- H. 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).
- I. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.

- J. Presentation, discussion and possible action regarding studies, alignment and status of the outer loop.
- K. Presentation, discussion and possible action on Pass Through Financing.
- L. Discussion with possible action on a North-West sector traffic impact study.
- M. Discussion and possible action on a set-back development policy on Loop 20, Mines Road and other major arterials.

# V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)

- A. Presentation by Tim Juarez, TxDOT, on the Border Master Plan.
- B. Presentation by Danny Magee, TxDOT, on a phased Mines Road digital signage implementation project.
- C. Status report on the Traffic Signal Synchronization Project.
- D. Letting date for the Zacate Creek Hike & Bike Trail (CSJ 0922-33-170) has been moved from November 2017 (FY 2018) to April 2018 (FY 2018).
- E. Status report by Mr. Joe Medina on discussions with the Muller family in relation to the River Bank Road Project.
- F. Status report on the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).
  - 1. Status update on the Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ) Feasibility Study.
  - 2. Presentation on the RMA's role in the region.

#### 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 FEBRUARY 16, 2018, 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, <a href="mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us">vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us</a>, 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.

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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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