

AGENDA

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
Thursday, January 9, 2020
North Central Texas Council of Governments

**1:00 pm Full RTC Business Agenda
(NCTCOG Guest Secured Wireless Connection Password: rangers!)**

1:00 – 1:10	1. Opportunity for the Public to Speak on Today's Agenda: Consistent with HB 2840 ☒ Information Minutes: 10 Item Summary: This item provides an opportunity for the public to speak on meeting agenda items. A Speaker Request Card is available at the side table. Please provide a Speaker Request Card to the North Central Texas Council of Governments designated staff person. For today's meeting, public comments will be heard on all items. Background: N/A
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1:10 – 1:15 2. **Approval of December 12, 2019, Minutes**

☒ Action ☐ Possible Action ☐ Information Minutes: 5

 Presenter: Andy Eads, RTC Chair

 Item Summary: Approval of the December 12, 2019, minutes contained in Reference Item 2 will be requested.

 Background: N/A

1:15 – 1:20 3. **Consent Agenda**

☒ Action ☐ Possible Action ☐ Information Minutes: 5

3.1. Transportation Improvement Program Modifications

Presenter: Ken Bunkley, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approval of revisions to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the ability to amend the Unified Planning Work Program and other planning/administrative documents with TIP-related changes will be requested.

Background: February 2020 revisions to the 2019-2022 TIP are provided as Electronic Item 3.1 for the Council's consideration. These modifications have been reviewed for consistency with the Mobility Plan, the air quality conformity determination, and financial constraint of the TIP.

Performance Measure(s) Addressed:

- ☒ Safety
- ☒ Transit Asset
- ☒ Pavement and Bridge Condition
- ☒ System Performance/Freight/CMAQ

1:20 – 1:35

4. **Orientation to Agenda/Director of Transportation Report**

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 15
Presenter: Michael Morris, NCTCOG

1. Recognition of Members Concluding Service on the Regional Transportation Council (RTC): Stan Pickett, Former Mayor, City of Mesquite
2. Dallas-Fort Worth Clean Cities Fleet Recognition Awards (Electronic Item 4.1)
3. Status Report on Virgin Hyperloop One Certification Center Request for Proposal
4. Advancing the Three Interchanges in the City of Irving (Electronic Item 4.2)
5. Three Transit Initiatives
 - Collin County
 - Southern Dallas County
 - Tarrant County
6. RTC New Member Orientation Scheduled for 11:00 am, February 13, 2020, Prior to the RTC Meeting
7. Air Quality Funding Opportunities for Vehicles
(www.nctcog.org/trans/quality/air/funding-and-resources/fundingvehicle)
8. Dallas-Fort Worth Clean Cities Events (www.dfwcleancities.org/dfw-clean-cities-meetings)
9. December Online Input Opportunity Minutes (Electronic Item 4.3)
10. January Online Input Opportunity Notice (Electronic Item 4.4)
11. Public Comments Report (Electronic Item 4.5)
12. Recent Correspondence (Electronic Item 4.6)
13. Recent News Articles (Electronic Item 4.7)
14. Recent Press Releases (Electronic Item 4.8)
15. Transportation Partners Progress Reports

1:35 – 1:45

5. **Draft Rules for Public Comments at Regional Transportation Council Meetings (HB 2840)**

☒ Action ☐ Possible Action ☐ Information Minutes: 10
Presenter: Amanda Wilson, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will provide an overview of draft Rules for Public Comments at Regional Transportation Council Meetings and request approval to take the draft rules to a public input opportunity.

Background: HB 2840 requires governmental bodies to allow each member of the public to give input on agenda items during open meetings. Input must be given before or during the consideration of the agenda item and not after. HB 2840 also permits governmental bodies to adopt reasonable rules regarding the public's right to address the body, including rules regarding time limits. Non-English speakers with a translator must be given double time during open meetings to address and communicate with the body. A governmental body may not prohibit public criticism of the body. This bill took effect on September 1, 2019. Draft rules have been developed for the Regional Transportation Council, provided

in Electronic Item 5.1, and will be presented at this meeting. An example Speaker Request Card is included as Electronic Item 5.2. Once approved, the rules will be included as an Appendix to the Public Participation Plan, which will require a 45-day public comment period. Electronic Item 5.3 is a presentation that provides more information.

Performance Measure(s) Addressed:

- ☐ Safety
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1:45 – 1:55

6. Update on the Fort Worth to Laredo High-Speed Transportation Study

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Kevin Feldt, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will provide an update regarding the high-speed transportation study draft report for the Fort Worth to Laredo project.

Background: North Central Texas Council of Governments staff, with the assistance of AECOM, are working to complete the Fort Worth to Laredo High-Speed Transportation Study. This study has analyzed high-speed transportation technologies and corridors in the study area. Study findings will be presented.

Performance Measure(s) Addressed:

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1:55 – 2:05

7. Next Steps with the Texas Department of Transportation and 10-Year Unified Transportation Program

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Michael Morris, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will update the Regional Transportation Council on the latest schedule and process to formulate the Unified Transportation Program for this year. Interest from the last meeting will bring additional information on the tolled Comprehensive Development Agreements and P3 procurements.

Background: Discussions continue on the schedule to develop new projects, when formula targets will be available, whether a system of funding tools be available, and the latest information on adherence to formula allocations. August 2020 is the deadline for Texas Transportation Commission action, with sub-state project deadlines currently scheduled for the end of January 2020.

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2:05 – 2:15

8. **Metropolitan Transportation Plan Policy Bundle-Round 4**

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Kevin Feldt, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will provide an overview of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Policy Bundle and Round 4 application process.

Background: The MTP Policy Bundle Program was created to encourage entities such as local governments, school districts, and transportation agencies to voluntarily adopt at least a minimum of 50 percent of the list of policies identified in the Mobility 2045 Policy Bundle. By voluntarily adopting these policies, participating entities will receive Transportation Development Credits (TDC) to offset local funds as matching funds for federal transportation projects.

MTP Policy Bundle Program – Round 4 funding assistance is now accepting applications. To be considered for an award, all requestors must reapply by submitting a new application with the early deadline of March 20, 2020, set for applications. Applications received will be reviewed for completeness by North Central Texas Council of Governments staff. Applicants will be notified by March 27, 2020, regarding any additional documentation required. Final, complete applications are due April 27, 2020. Formal notice of awards will be announced to successful applicants in July 2020.

Previous award winners should contact a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) team representative to ensure projects and TDC funding are programmed in the TIP. Additional details regarding the MTP Policy Bundle Program can be found in Electronic Item 8.

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2:15 – 2:25

9. **Texas Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Program Update**

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Lori Clark, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will present an update on the status of the Texas Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Program.

Background: The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality was designated by the Governor as the lead agency for administration of Texas' share of funds under the Environmental Mitigation Trust, which is approximately \$209 million. The Dallas-Fort Worth area was allocated \$33,385,160. Funding for buses and refuse vehicles has already been released, and an opportunity for local freight and

drayage trucks is coming soon. Electronic Item 9 provides an overview of the Trust and a status update of the funding rounds thus far.

Performance Measure(s) Addressed:

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2:25 – 2:30

10. Auto Occupancy Verification Technology Update

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information Minutes: 5

Presenter: Natalie Bettger, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will update the Council on the status of the High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) detection and verification technology utilizing the GoCarma App.

Background: The Regional Transportation Council's (RTC) Tolloed Managed Lane Policy includes provisions to explore a technology solution for the verification of auto occupancy rather than relying on manual enforcement. Currently, HOV drivers wishing to receive the discount must register their trip as an HOV trip in advance. Current enforcement is a manual process in which an officer verifies that a declared HOV has at least two occupants. This is a dangerous situation for the police officers, as well as a disruption to traffic flow when potential violators are pulled over on the side of the road. The North Central Texas Council of Governments, with cooperation from the Texas Department of Transportation, North Texas Tollway Authority, and LBJE/NTE Mobility Partners, has contracted with a vendor, Carma Technology Corporation, to develop an occupancy verification technology solution to apply the HOV discount during peak periods. During fall 2018, the RTC approved additional funding to continue the development and implementation of the technology in coordination with partner agencies. The technology will launch in January 2020. This update will provide an overview of the remaining tasks and project schedule, as well as answers to questions from the December 12, 2019, RTC meeting.

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11. Progress Reports

☐ Action ☐ Possible Action ☒ Information

Item Summary: Progress Reports are provided in the items below.

- RTC Attendance (Electronic Item 11.1)
- STTC Attendance and Minutes (Electronic Item 11.2)
- Local Motion (Electronic Item 11.3)

12. **Other Business (Old or New):** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of interest before the group.
13. **Future Agenda Items:** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of future interest before the Council.
14. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Regional Transportation Council is scheduled for ***1:00 pm, Thursday, February 13, 2020***, at the North Central Texas Council of Governments.