

**CORPUS CHRISTI METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**May 21, 2026**

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND QUORUM DETERMINATION**

Mr. DeLatte called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

TAC Members Present:

Mr. Brian DeLatte, P.E. City of Portland, Chairperson  
Mr. Jeff Pollack, AICP. Port of Corpus Christi, Vice Chairperson  
Mr. Jason Alvarez, P.E. City of Corpus Christi  
Ms. Paula Sales-Evans, P.E. Texas Department of Transportation-Corpus Christi District  
Commissioner Tom Yardley, San Patricio County  
Mr. Juan Pimentel, P.E. Nueces County  
Mr. Wesley Vardeman, Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority  
Ms. Mary Afuso, Coastal Bend Council of Governments

MPO Staff Present:

Rob MacDonald, P.E., Keren Costanzo, AICP, Jafet Flores, Harry Horak, Victor Mendieta, and Carissa Tamez

**2. NON-AGENDA ITEMS PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None were made or offered.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE TPC April 16, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Mr. Yardley made a motion to approve the TAC **April 16, 2026** Regular Meeting minutes.

Ms. Sales-Evans seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS**

**A. DRAFT FY UPWP**

Mr. MacDonald presented this item.

The DRAFT FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) was presented to the TAC for the final review, comment, and recommendation for TPC's approval. The UPWP serves as the primary planning and budget document for the Corpus Christi MPO and outlines the transportation planning activities, tasks, schedules, and funding allocations for Fiscal Year 2027. The TAC action to recommend approval of the DRAFT FY 2027 UPWP is intended to maintain compliance with federal and state planning requirements and meet the schedule for adoption and subsequent approval.

**Discussion:**

None.

**Motion:**

Mr. Pollack made a motion to recommend that the TPC approve the DRAFT FY 2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Mr. Yardley seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**B. DRAFT MPO Bylaws & Operation Procedures Revision**

Mr. MacDonald presented this item.

Through the most recent Corpus Christi MPO Boundary Change Process, possible changes to the MPO Bylaws & Operation Procedures document were identified. The Corpus Christi MPO staff presented the draft changes to add the City of Gregory as a voting member to TPC and TAC, and to establish a procedure for addressing ties when TPC and TAC vote. This item was presented to TPC at their May 7,

2026, Regular Meeting and TPC voted to initiate the procedural requirements established in the bylaws for amending the bylaws at that meeting.

**Discussion:**

Ms. Sales-Evans added a technical comment regarding the Chapter 3 Composition paragraph of the Bylaws by recommending the inclusion of an additional sentence noting the original date the City of Gregory will be seated on the TPC. This revision would provide a clearer historical reference as to when the City of Gregory became a voting member of both the TPC and TAC, since prior to this amendment they have been within the MPO boundary and represented by San Patricio County.

**Motion:**

Ms. Sales-Evans made a motion to recommend the TPC approve Resolution 26-06 amending the Corpus Christi MPO Bylaws & Operation Procedures document with language to be added to the Composition paragraph for clarification.

Mr. Vardeman seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**C. DRAFT MPO Boundary Change Submittal Package**

Mr. MacDonald presented this item.

The Corpus Christi MPO Planning Area Boundary Change process continues with the development of the TxDOT Boundary Change Packet. The MPA Boundary is one component of the future Boundary Change Package required by TxDOT. The draft of the TxDOT Boundary Change Packet was provided to TAC. Also included in that packet was the key component of the MPO Planning Area Boundary Change – the definitive proposed boundary.

**Discussion:**

None.

**Motion:**

Mr. Yardley made a motion to recommend that the TPC approve (1) the proposed MPO boundary through Resolution 26-07; and (2) the TxDOT MPO Boundary Change Packet for submittal to TxDOT and the Governor through Resolution 26-08.

Mr. Pimentel seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**D. DRAFT 2050 MTP Chapter 3 and Chapter 6**

Mr. Flores presented this item.

The Corpus Christi MPO staff continues development of the Chapters and Appendices of the DRAFT 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2050 MTP). MPO Staff provided **Chapter 3 - Goals and Performance Measures**, and **Chapter 6 - Financial Plan and Fiscal Constraint** for review by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), our partner agencies, and the public. As the development of the 2050 MTP continues, there will be ongoing opportunity to update these chapters and appendices until the entire MTP is approved in April 2027.

**Discussion:**

Mr. Pollack questioned how the four-year multiplier was determined and asked whether CPI and PPI adjustments were considered in the calculation.

- Mr. MacDonald responded that MPO staff utilized the TxDOT and CCRTA financial estimates without applying inflation adjustments.

**Motion:**

Mr. Yardley made a motion to recommend that the TPC approve Chapter 3 - Goals and Performance Measures and Chapter 6 - Financial Plan and Fiscal Constraint for the use in the DRAFT 2050 MTP development and public outreach process.

Mr. Pollack seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

**E. STBG-SA/TA Call-for-Projects**

Ms. Costanzo presented this item.

The federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA) program corresponds with the TxDOT Category 9 funding program. This funding allows all projects and activities that were previously eligible under the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program, encompassing a variety of smaller-scale transportation projects, primarily pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects. Corpus Christi MPO's allocation of approximately \$6,600,000 in federal funds for fiscal years 2027 through 2030 includes carryover funds from prior fiscal years.

Staff presented the draft of the 2026 Program Guidance and Procedures document and the draft application, highlighting the proposed timeline, application and selection process, and scoring criteria that will be used by the Corpus Christi MPO to evaluate and select projects. The proposed schedule projects the formal STBG-SA/TA Call-For-Projects to be issued by TPC at their June 4, 2026, meeting, with completed applications due August 17, 2026. Final approval of projects is expected to occur in November 2026.

**Discussion:**

Mr. Pollack raised several questions regarding the space allotted for project descriptions on the application form, noted that the eleven categories identified as eligible for funding are not reflected in the scoring matrix, suggested incorporating modifications to the scoring for projects that leverage the existing network by completing missing segments, clarify the spatial extent of a project and connectivity to destinations, and noted that a less prescriptive scoring approach may be appropriate.

TAC members discussed the draft Project Readiness criteria and options for altering the scoring of that category, including removing Engineer OPCC and addressing Environmental Clearance, ROW, and Utilities.

Mr. Pollack suggested establishing a minimum funding request threshold of at least \$1 million.

Mr. DeLatte added that entities providing additional matching funds, such as 30% or higher, should receive additional points and that overmatching should be taken into consideration during scoring.

**Motion:**

Ms. Sales-Evans made a motion to table the DRAFT 2026 Program Guidance and Procedures: Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside (STBG-SA)/ Transportation Alternatives (TA) (Category 9) funding Call for Projects document and Application to work on revisions.

Mr. Yardley seconded; the agenda item was tabled.

**5. TAC MEMBER STATEMENTS ON LOCAL AGENCY ACTIVITIES OR ITEMS OF INTEREST**

The TxDOT PlanCon Conference that is held in July and the upcoming Texas Innovation Alliance Invitational were announced, and members were welcomed to participate.

**6. UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS**

<b>A. Transportation Policy Committee:</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>June 4, 2026</b>
<b>B. Small Area Forecast Task Force:</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>June 11, 2026</b>
<b>C. Technical Advisory Committee:</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>June 18, 2026</b>

**7. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.