



Executive Committee Meeting

2180 North Main Street Belton, Texas

October 24, 2024

Hybrid Meeting: 12:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES:

The October 24, 2024, Central Texas Council of Governments Annual Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by The Honorable Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge, President at 12:19pm.

Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:

President	Judge Roger Miller	Coryell County
Secretary/Treasurer	Ryan Haverlah	City of Copperas Cove

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Mayor Michael Blomquist, City of Harker Heights	Judge Randy Hoyer, Lampasas County	Councilmember Stephanie O'Banion, City of Belton
Chancellor Michele Carter, Central Texas College	Commissioner Henry Hubnik, Milam County	Councilmember Jose Segarra, City of Killeen
Councilmember Fred Chavez, City of Copperas Cove	Mayor Nathan Fuchs, City of Cameron	Martha Tyroch, Citizen Representative
Judge Jody Fauley, San Saba County	Mayor Debbie Nash-King, City of Killeen	Ricky Tow, City of Cameron
Mayor Bert Henry, Village of Salado		

CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:

Jim Reed, CTCOG	Sue Jordan, CTCOG	George Losoya, CTCOG
Jesse Henage, CTCOG	Carmen Lim, CTCOG	David Lopez, CTCOG
Anita Janke, CTCOG	James McGill, CTCOG	Helen Hill Yancey, CTCOG
Vorakarn Saipornchai, CTCOG	Louis LeDoux, WFST	Uryan Nelson, CTCOG
Ricky Tow, City of Cameron	Susan Kamas, WFCT	Sue Jordan, CTCOG
Manuel De La Rosa, Village of Salado	Cindy Finnegan, CTCOG	Michael Irvine, CTCOG
Gina Pence, Village of Salado	Brad Hunt, City of Gatesville	Dan Malsom, Kimley-Horn
Kelle Odom, GrantWorks Inc	Bill Schumann, Bell County	Riakos Adams, City of Killeen

Keith Sledd, HOTDA
Justin Todd, City of Killeen Fire
Department*

Kris Rebels, TX General Land
Office
Tammy Cockrum, City of
Rogers*

Kendra Coufal, CTCOG

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Mayor Bert Henry, Village of Salado, as representatives on the Executive Committee Board.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

General Statement

Jim Reed mentioned a memorial story remembering Judge John Hull.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Chancellor Michele Carter, Central Texas College to approve the entirety of the Consent Agenda (Meeting Minutes for September 2024, as well as the September 2024 Expenditure Report). Mayor Debbie Nash-King, City of Killen seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Presentation

Dan Malsom, Kimley-Horned presented an update on the Draft Safety Action Plan, informing the committee of the current status and progress of the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Grant. Mr. Malsom noted that the final version will be presented at the Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee Meeting in February 2025.

Action Items

- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-PRS001, which sought to authorize FY2025 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Regional Emergency Notification System Grant. All in favor, none opposed.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-PRS002, which sought to authorize FY2025 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Community Preparedness Grant. All in favor, none opposed.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-PRS003, which sought to authorize

FY2024 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Community Preparedness Grant. All in favor, none opposed.

- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-PRS004, which sought to regard the Central Texas Roadway Safety Action Plan Public Commitment. All in favor, none opposed.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-HAP01, which sought to approve Payment Standards/Income Limits for FY2025. All in favor, none opposed.
- A motion was made and seconded to approve Resolution 10-24-HAP02, which sought to approve Utility Allowance for FY2025. All in favor, none opposed.

Reports

Area Agency on Aging: George Losoya, Director of AAA/ADVRC, briefed the committee on the current state of the program, including the process of FY2024 Closeout and initial start for FY25 Planning Budgets due to the increase in Congregate Meals. Mr. Losoya presented a check received from Texas Veterans Commission in the amount of Three Hundred Thousand dollars to fund for Veterans' Assistance grant, as well as informing committees about the future Caregiver and Education Training Events. Mr. Losoya also notified the committee of an upcoming absence in six weeks for heart surgery.

Housing: Carmen Lim, Director of HAP, commended the staff for their hard work on the VASH program, highlighting its current success rate of 80% and the goal of achieving 100%. Ms. Lim also noted a 1% increase in the Utility Allowance for all counties. In terms of Fair Market Rent adjustments, Bell, Coryell, and Mills County will receive a 1% increase, while Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, and San Saba County will see a 1% decrease. Additionally, she mentioned updates on the number of clients served by each county.

Planning and Regional Services: Planning and Regional Services: Uryan Nelson, Director of PRS, updated the committee on the current performance of the Regional Planning and Emergency Planning Services departments. Mr. Nelson informed the committee about the upcoming HSAC meeting scheduled for November 7 in Coryell County. Mr. Nelson also shared statistics on the 911 calls and texts received in September 2024 for each county within the CTCOG region. Additionally, Mr. Nelson provided an update on the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) with Invoice Tracker from July 2023 through September 2024. The committee expressed concern that some individuals might perceive DocuSign as a scam and recommended that the planning staff send an email notification to recipients before sending a DocuSign email.

Workforce Development Board: Susan Kamas, Executive Director of WFBCT, gave a speech about Judge John

Hull's contribution to Workforce Development and reminded the committee about the upcoming event. Ms. Kamas mentioned one of the award recipient stories who received assistance from Workforce Development.

Workforce Solutions Central Texas: Louis LeDoux, Chief Operating Officer of WFSC, provided an update on regional unemployment rates, reporting that for the week ending August 31, 2024, the total number of UI claims filed reached 12,759, with an unemployment rate of 5%. Mr. LeDoux also updated the committee on the biggest hiring event called "Hiring Red, White & You", held on November 6, 2024 at Lone Star Conference Center. Additionally, Mr. LeDoux informed the committee that 9,492 customers were served in September 2024, receiving a total of 25,138 services.

Executive Directors Report: Mr. Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director of CTCO, reminded the committee that there will be no Executive Committee Meetings in November and December. An update was provided on the 911 District, with plans for Mr. Reed to meet the Executive Director of the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) on November 6, 2025, to discuss further plans. The goal is to present action steps and a timeline at the next Executive Committee Meeting in January.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 01:14 PM by The Honorable Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge, President.

The Honorable Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer