



**Minutes: September 27, 2018
Executive Committee Meeting
301 W Loop 121, Belton, Texas
12:00 PM**

The September 2018 Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee Meeting was called to Order by The Honorable Marion Grayson, President.

Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:

President	Mayor Marion Grayson	City of Belton
1 st Vice President	Commissioner Bill Schumann	Bell County
2 nd Vice President	Judge Byron Theodosis	San Saba County
Secretary/Treasurer	Mayor Frank Seffrood	City of Copperas Cove

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Dave Barkemeyer, Milam County Judge	Otis Evans, Citizen Representative	Bill Schumann, Bell County Commissioner
Wayne Boultinghouse, Lampasas County Judge	John Fisher, Bell County Commissioner	Jose Segarra, Killeen City Mayor
Tim Brown Bell County Commissioner	Jed Garren, Mills County Commissioner	Spencer Smith, Harker Heights City Mayor
Timothy Davis, Temple City Mayor	William Perry, Gatesville City Manager	Ryan Haverlah, Copperas Cove Interim City Manager

CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:

Carmen Lim, CTCOG	Jim Reed, CTCOG	Stu Mclennan, JLUS PM
Kerry Phillip, AACT/CTADVRC	Ed Smith, Mills County	Helen Hill-Yancey, CTCOG
Anthony Martinez, AVM, INC.	Uryan Nelson, CTCOG	Judy Shumate, CTCOG
Rhett Parker, Milam City Manager	Ginger Watkins, DDCT/CIF	Becky Cooley, CTCOG
Tama Shaw, HCCAA	Amy Garza, Rockdale	Ken Cox, Workforce
Susan Kamas, Workforce	Natalie Austin, Tri-City PM	James Sullins, Tejas Real Estate
Michael Boyd, U.S. Census Bureau	Terry Mustapher,	Jon Joffers, CTCOG
Brian Dosa, Fort Hood		

Invocation was led by Judge Barkemeyer of Milam County and the pledge to the American flag and the Texas flag was led by Executive Director of CTCOG Jim Reed. Jim Reed, Executive Director introduced Central Texas Leadership Graduates and recognized Stu McLennan, JLUS Project Manager on a job well done for the time on the grant.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Judge Wayne Boultinghouse of Lampasas County to accept the August 16, 2018 agenda and the respective expenditure report along with Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) Bylaws and the Homeland Security Grant Division (HSGD) LEPTA scoring sheet. Mayor Jose Segarra of Killeen seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Action Items

There were no action items for the month of September 2018.

Reports

Area Agency on Aging

Kerry Phillip, Director of Area Agency on Aging stated that Aging is currently working on getting the program Texas Serves set up in the area. Texas Serves provided a software platform that allows provider agencies to join at no cost to them. The agencies can spend more time assisting with actual services while Texas Serves makes the additional referrals and connections for the veterans. Provider agencies to not lose their autonomy and there is no extra layer of authority. Currently there is a non-binding letter of intent between CTCOG and the IMMF (Institute for Veterans and Military Families) already in place. A task force is being assembled and letters of commitment will be garnered from each participating agency. CTCOG staff will be brought on board in early Spring of 2019 and the training and technical assistance will be provided by IVMF.

Planning & Regional Services

Uryan Nelson, Director of Planning & Regional Services wanted to recognize his staff and stated that for the contributions to this year's Belton ISD Administrative Retreat and the on-going supports of the Belton

ISD Community, CTCOG Emergency Services Program along with Belton Police Department Criminal Investigation Division were this month's Big Red Community Partner. Uryan said that in the month of August there were 237 officers who attended the Peace Officer Training and there was a total of 15 TCOLE classes. Jesse Hennage, Emergency Services Program Manager stated that Homeland Security Advisory Committee was updating their bylaws and scoring methodology. The current score sheet priority is updating the counties' radios. In 2011 the budget was cut in half. Bell County projects currently rank 6th and 10th. Funding is as follows from Category 1-3. Category 1 Bell County will receive 50% of annual funds, Category 2 Coryell County will receive 20% of annual funds, and Category 3 remaining counties will receive 30% of annual funds. Jesse stated they are currently working on promoting the CodeRed, which is a location-based mobile device notification app that sends emergency alerts to those signed up. The sender can target recipients base on desired characteristics, including geographical location, job role of capability. The app can be used by Emergency Management, Public Works and Utility, Law Enforcement, Internal Communications, and Administration and Elected officials. Current registered users are 34,142.

Housing

Jon Jaffers, Interim Director of the Housing Department stated there 2,303 families that were continuously leasing; of that number there were 151 on the VASH Program. There were 20 families added to the Section 8 program and there was a total of 52 families exiting the program. The staff activities for the month of August is as follows: there were 225 require annuals, 307 unscheduled changes, 52 exits for families. That totaled 584 staff activities for the month. Payments for a total of \$1,119,318 went out to landlords earning an administration fee of \$107,049. Currently the utilization rate is at 93.6% and the year-end projected reserves is \$164, 392. Jim Reed recognized Jon for all the hard work he's been doing in the Housing Department and for keeping in running smoothly in the absence of Katie Anderson.

Joint Land Use Study (JLUS)

Stu McLennan, JLUS Project Manager stated that the update covers JLUS related activities since the previous Executive Committee meeting on August 16th. Contents were informed by Technical Committee discussions on September 18th. This is to be the final update Stu would be providing to this committee prior to the end of the JLUS implementation grant on September 30th. The agenda includes updates on the Task Tracker and Scope of Work and a review of the remaining topics. The status of OEA directed

project tasks is as shown. Green is complete. Amber is in-progress. I modified the timelines to reflect tasks that extended into 4QFY18.

Task #2 – JUA; Stu upgraded the status from Red to Amber. Fort Hood and CTCOG met on August 30th and discussed coordination mechanisms for the items listed in Part III. This task will extend past the end of the JLUS implementation project and should achieve Green status when USAG Fort Hood and CTCOG confirm mechanisms have been coordinated within Fort Hood and with regional partners respectively.

Task #3 – GIS; the status remains Amber. USAG Fort Hood provided the required GIS data on August 20th and CTCOG is making progress in developing a regional GIS capability that can be accessed and used to evaluate land use initiatives. CTCOG expects to publish an initial map on October 3rd. This database will have private and public sides and will also not be accomplished until after the end of the current JLUS implementation project.

Task #4 – EAA; an Encroachment Awareness Area (EAA) is a tool intended to help civilian communities and associated military installations guide land use development and minimize encroachment. The City of Killeen sponsored the Fort Hood JLUS from March 2015 to December 2016. Therein, we established an EAA based on quantifiable military training and operations noise data available in Fort Hood's Operational Noise Management Program. The data however was circa 2012. The Army Public Health Center updated the ONMP in November 2017 in the form of an Installation Compatible Use Zone Study, or ICUZ. Benchmark updated the original EAA map using the ICUZ data and the resulting three new maps are listed on the slide and posted on the JLUS website. Stu stated briefed the on the following maps: EAA (Range and Maneuver Training Monitoring Area); Stu stated that the map reflected weapons and training noise in proximity to the installation boundary. There is a significant increase in size from the original EAA, due mainly to updated noise data for air and ground military operations at North Fort Hood and in the southern and eastern training areas on South Fort Hood. EAA (Airfield Environs Monitoring Area); this map reflected Federal Aviation Administration established imaginary surfaces for military airfields and airstrips on Fort Hood, and associated aircraft accident potential zones and aviation related noise around the airfields. Again, there is a substantial increase in size from the original EAA due largely to the minimal aviation noise contours initially available in the JLUS for Robert Gray Army Airfield and Longhorn and Shorthorn Airstrips. EAA (Aviation Training Monitoring Area); this map reflected low level flight corridors for rotary-wing aircraft that extend throughout the Western Training Area; an area encompassing twenty-one counties and five Councils of Governments. It also depicts the 60-nautical mile primary search area for the ASR-11 air traffic control radar at Robert Gray Army Airfield. Benchmark generated Aerial

Navigation Hazard Avoidance Guidelines to supplement this map and assist regional partners in deconflicting the development and siting of wind farms and associated infrastructure. As with Texas Senate Bill 277, it is more important to consider the operating range of the ASR-11 radar, and the impact of wind turbines on it and flight crew safety, than the location of Fort Hood's installation boundary. EAA (Initial/Updated); this map illustrated the combined size increase of the EAA. Your packet contains a proposed amendment to the Fort Hood JLUS that deletes Map 4.1 on page 86 and inserts the three new EAA maps. If approved, then we will promulgate the update. The State of Texas legislature has adopted several military compatible growth statutes. The JLUS Technical Committee agreed it was prudent to formally amend the current Fort Hood JLUS to include the new maps as this will help facilitate potential future actions by state and local governments that may rely on legislative authority that references "the most recent JLUS". Additional updates, including Section 2.6 (Environment), can wait until the next JLUS update

Plans, Regulations and Ordinances - as projected, this task comprised most of the JLUS team's "heavy lifting." Benchmark generated a new Comprehensive Plan for the City of Gatesville and will provide a final draft to Bill Parry in early November 2018. Last week, Stu and his team coordinated a timeline that reflects the Plan being submitted to the city council in January 2019. Benchmark has also provided Comprehensive Plan Supplements; Compatible Growth Guidance; Compatible Use Ordinances; Military Lighting Overlay District; and the Western Training Area Guidelines. The Technical Committee agreed these documents should not be posted on the JLUS website. Each regional partner will likely use them differently and have varying mechanisms and timelines to secure approval by their governing bodies.

HAAF - Compatible development of the area adjacent to Hood Army Airfield remains a significant challenge as it is arguably the most encroached airfield in the US Army. Benchmark coordinated several options and will provide the resulting Compatible Redevelopment Study to the City of Killeen for use as desired.

Dark Skies - As noted earlier, Benchmark generated ordinances for use by regional partners who wish to establish a Military Lighting Overlay District. Stu noted in his previous update that Local Government Code Section 240.032 grants commissioners in designated Texas counties the authority to regulate outdoor lighting. Bell and Coryell counties are encouraged to explore amending Section 240 to grant them similar authority.

- Local Government Code, Title 7 (Regulation of Land Use, Structures, Businesses, and Related Activities), Subtitle B (County Regulatory Authority), Chapter 240 (Misc. Regulatory Authority of Counties), Subchapter B (Outdoor Lighting Near Observatories and Military Installations).
- Within 57-miles of the McDonald Observatory; Within 5-miles of the George Observatory and Stephen F. Austin State University Observatory; Within 5-miles of a military installation, base or camp in an unincorporated area.
- Bexar County (San Antonio) and Brewster County (Alpine and Big Bend National Park) meet the criteria and have established outdoor lighting regulations.

Project Accomplishments - Some of the major achievements accomplished by the JLUS team from April 2017 to September 2018 were as follows: House Bill 890 – not 290 - added a section to the realtor disclosure form that mentions the JLUS program and impacts of military installations. Stu and his team achieved state-wide synergy with project managers in El Paso, Wichita Falls, Fort Worth, Abilene, San Antonio and Corpus Christi. Stu was also invited to update the Texas Military Preparedness Commission at Camp Mabry on March 22, 2018.

Project End Game - The JLUS-I grant officially ends on September 30, 2018. Benchmark, CTCOG, HOTDA and Stu conducted close-out meetings with regional partners on August 21st and 22nd and September 18th and 19th. CTCOG will submit all project deliverables to OEA by December 31st. The Task #3 deliverable is the URL for the GIS website.

Association of Defense Communities - During Stu's previous update, he addressed why ADC membership is value-added and encouraged regional partners to join. Upcoming ADC events in 2019 include the Installation Innovation Forum in Miami from March 2nd to 6th; and the annual ADC Summit in Washington DC from June 10th to 12th.

Regional leaders are encouraged to establish JLUS-related priorities for FY19 and beyond, including those listed on the slide. Stu and his team also encourage the central Texas team to establish a regular coordination forum; monitor staff-level collaboration mechanisms; and pursue coordination with State of Texas, Department of Defense, and other federal agencies as required. Stu captured common JLUS-related issues during my coordination with the TMPC and other project managers in Texas. Senate Bill 1004 addresses municipal authority regarding the installation of communication towers in public rights of way.

Fort Hood JLUS – OEA defines a current JLUS as less than 5-years old. The Fort Hood JLUS is dated December 2016 but the Metropolitan Statistical Area data was circa August 2016. Stu recommended that

Fort Hood submit a request by 3QFY19 for OEA to fund a 12-month project in FY20 to update the current Fort Hood JLUS.

Stu reiterated that civil-military leader engagement and staff collaboration are essential to sustain the regional JLUS momentum achieved with the Fort Hood JLUS since March 2015. The goal remains unchanged – To facilitate civilian community economic growth while solidifying Fort Hood’s military value in preparation for future DoD force, budget and infrastructure initiatives. Stu provided JLUS updates to Representative Shine and Sheffield on August 24th and September 12th respectively. Representatives of Districts 54, 55, 59 and 60 remain important advocates in the Texas Legislature for Fort Hood and JLUS related initiatives. Stu and Benchmark will now be finalizing continuity files, complete the endgame timeline, and conduct handoff of the Fort Hood JLUS project to CTCOG and HOTDA on October 1st.

Workforce Development Board and Workforce Center

Susan Kamas, Workforce Board Executive Director stated she and Ken Cox returned DC attended Workforce Development Council Meeting of Conference of Mayors. Susan stated that the Senate and House appropriations committee passed the Defense-Labor/HHS/Education appropriations spending packages. Department of Labor \$12.1 Billion Dept of Labor, but it was \$128 million less than received this year and that was expected. There will be no consolidation of the Department of Labor and Department of Education. Administration has created a new council for the American worker. There is an advisory committee being formed and the nomination from Workforce is Ken Cox. Applications are being accepted through November 1, 2018. The 30th annual luncheon is October 26, 2018. The Santa Fe Center had a move in date of September 26, 2018. The ending budget passed as the new budget for FY 2019 was approved. Workforce is flat-funded at \$24 million. Ken Cox Workforce Center Director stated the Santa Fe Center’s official opening will be October 1, 2018. They will be partnering with Temple EDC and Temple Chamber of Commerce. The Secretary of the Army, Navy and Airforce, signed a letter for the reciprocity of licensure and for Education from K-12 for soldiers and their families. Non-Custodial Parents have paid approximately \$3.5 million in child support payments to approximately 800 families. BASF which is a large petrol plant is looking for chemical engineers to expand a new plant. Childcare concerns regarding funding were an issue approximately 5 months ago. TWC came in and provided additional funding.

Executive Director

Jim Reed, Executive Director of CTCOG recognized new employees. Mayor Marion Grayson of Belton had everyone around the room introduce themselves to Leadership Central Texas as well as the new employees. State Programs continue to be state programs. Biggest challenge right now is with Veterans programs. Jim said he would be glad to sit down with anyone one on one to brief them. Currently Jim is working with Congressman Carter's office and has a meeting with his office on Friday, October 5, 2018 along with the Temple VA. Bottom line Temple VA has been unresponsive to veterans needs with regards to the Veteran Directed Health Care Program. Currently have veterans sitting on year end balances of approximately \$14,000 of benefits that the veteran was supposed to draw down. The Temple VA is not allowing CTCOG to facilitate and it has Congressional visibility. Currently the Temple VA is 90 days late on a congressional inquiry that was promised.

Adjourn



The Honorable Marion Grayson, President



The Honorable Frank Seffrood, Secretary/Treasurer