

CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY GROUP (CTRTAG)

Thursday, May 27, 2021 9:30 a.m.

Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG)
2180 North Main Street
Belton, TX

Voting Members Present

George Losoya, DIRECTOR OF AREA AGENCY ON AGENCY-HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES REP.
Kendra Coufal, KTMPO-METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REP.
Walter Murphy, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY CENTRAL TX – EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES REP.
Thomas Wilson, AREA AGENCY ON AGENCY-HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES REP.
Phillip Hohle, DRIVING HOPE- PRIVATE TRANSIT PROVIDER
Leslie Hinkle, CITY OF KILLEEN-MUNICIPALITIES
Holly Doggett, CEDAR CREST HOSPITAL- MEDICAL FACILITIES
Terry Mustapher, BRINGING EVERYONE IN ZONE- MILITARY AND VETERANS ORG.
Janice Taylor, TRANSIT USER
Janell Frazier, CENTRAL TX 4C HEADSTART- CHILD ADVOCACY GROUP
Darrell Burtner, HCTD- Transit District
Alicia Dunn, UNITED WAY CENTRAL TX- CHILD ADVOCACY GROUP
Melissa Ingriola, HOCTIL-, AGING AND DISABILITY ORG.

Non-Voting Members Present

Helen Owens- CTCOG James McGill- CTCOG Dan Malsom- Kimley-Horn Nathan Chadwick- Kimley-Horn

Terry Mustapher opened the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions: Terry Mustapher called the meeting to order, and quorum was met.
- 2. Public Comments: No comments were made by the public.
- **3. Staff Update:** Ms. Owens announced the grant was fiscally on track along with its deliverables being met and staff is seeking transit users to join the board.
- 4. Action Item: Approve minutes from the February 25, 2021 CTRTAG meeting.

Leslie Hinkle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes; seconded by Janell Frazier, the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding nominations and approval of a new Chair and Vice-Chair for FY21 and FY22.

Vickie Giedon will be retiring in June 2021. Terry Mustapher volunteered to be the Chair and Leslie Hinkle was nominated; by the board to be Vice Chair. Leslie Hinkle made a motion to approve Terry Mustahper as Chair, seconded by Janell Frazier. Janell Frazier made a motion for Leslie Hinkle to be approved to be Vice-Chair; seconded by Terry Mustapher. Both motions passed unanimously.

6. Discussion and Action Item: Regarding revisions and approval of CTRTAG Bylaws.

Mrs. Coufal suggested and presented changes to the current bylaws and asked the board to approve the suggested bylaw changes. Leslie Hinkle made a motion to approve the bylaws; seconded my Walter Murphy, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion Item: Regarding the FY22-26 RCTP Update by Kimley-Horn.

Dan Malson, from Kimley-Horn gave a brief update on the RCTP Plan and a provided a link to a survey, about the public transit needs.

8. Discussion Item: Regarding Transit Needs Survey Results and Subcommittees.

Ms. Owens and Mrs. Coufal gave the results of CTCOG's top two results for the Public Needs, Gaps, and Inefficiencies survey and asked for volunteers to form subcommittees for the top two needs. Leslie Hinkle suggested staff combine the second and third public needs. Darrell Burtner and Melissa Ingriola volunteered for the subcommittees.

9. Discussion Item: Regarding Improving Transportation Access to Healthcare.

Ms. Owens gave a brief report on the positive correlation between having accessible and reliable transportation to healthcare, from the Academies of Science, Medicine, and Engineering. A link to the report was given.

10. Discussion Item: President Biden's American Rescue Plan Provides Critical Investments to Support Transit; other Federal Updates.

Ms. Owens gave a brief description of the ARPA and the amount funds that can bee expected. A link to the full report was provided.

11. Discussion Item: Regarding TxDOT's Public Transportation Division (PTN) Director's report to the Public Transportation Advisory Committee on public transportation matters.

Ms. Owens reviewed the America Rescue Plan Act again and gave summaries on the FTA Report Data-Rural Transit Program, State and Federal Grant Programs, and the Intercity Bus Program. Links were provided for each item.

12. Discussion Item: Update from the Hill Country Transit District.

Darrell Burtner presented and provided the committee with supplemental information regarding the Hill Country Transit District's quarterly reports. He also gave an overview of HCTD duties to the region and the effects COVID-19 has had on ridership.

13. Regarding discussion of any new unmet transportation needs, gaps and inefficiencies for special populations and strategies for implementing the FY17-21 RCTP.

Ms. Owens asked that members email new updates from the region.

- 14. Discussion Item: Regarding Board updates.
- 15. Other Business; Next meeting date August 26, 2021 at 9:30am

16. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Terry Mustapher, CRTAG Vice-Chair

Uryan Nelson, CTCOG Planning Director