



Minutes: July 22, 2021
Executive Committee Meeting
Central Texas Council of Governments
2180 North Main Street Belton, TX 76513
(In-Person with Zoom Conference Call)

The July 2021 Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee Meeting was called to Order by The Honorable Judge Byron Theodosis, President at 12:15 p.m.

Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:

President	Judge Byron Theodosis	San Saba County
1 st Vice President	Commissioner Daren Moore	Coryell County
2 nd Vice President	Judge David Blackburn	Bell County
Secretary	Mayor Jose Segarra	City of Killeen
Parliamentarian	Judge Steve Young	Milam County
Immediate Past-President	Commissioner Bill Schumann	Bell County

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Commissioner John Driver, Bell County	Judge Roger Miller, Coryell County	Commissioner Kyle Matthews, Coryell County
Mayor Rodney Craddick, City of Hamilton	Judge Randy Hoyer, Lampasas County	Judge Ed Smith, Mills County
Mr. William Parry III, City of Gatesville	Mayor Spencer Smith, City of Harker Heights	Mr. Evan Otis, City of Killeen
Councilmember Mellisa Brown, City of Killeen		

CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:

Jim Reed, CTCOG	Carmen Lim, CTCOG	Uryan Nelson, CTCOG
Anna Olvera, CTCOG	Diana Rodriguez, CTCOG	Michael Irvine, CTCOG
Jesse Hennage, CTCOG	Jwana Sartor, CTCOG	Sue Jordan, CTCOG
Helen Hill-Yancey, CTCOG	Anna Barge, CTCOG	Hope Geiger, CTCOG
Sunshine Martinez, CTCOG	Louis LeDoux, Workforce	Susan Kamas, Workforce
Keith Sledd, HOTDA	Ken Cates, FHAHH	Michelle Morgan, Milam County
Ryan Polster, Hamilton County		

Invocation was led by Jim Reed, Executive Director, CTCOG.

Oath of Office

Executive Director, Jim Reed administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Rodney Craddick, City of Hamilton, and Councilmember Mellisa Brown, City of Killeen.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Judge Steve Young of Milam County to accept the minutes of June 24, 2021, meeting and June 2021 Expenditure Reports, and the approval of Amended Bylaws for the Development District of Central Texas (DDoCT), the Amended Bylaws of the Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group (CTRTAG), and the Amended Bylaws for the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC). Mr. Evan Otis, City of Killeen Citizen Representative second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Action Item

A motion was made by Councilmember Melissa Brown, City of Killeen to Approve the Proclamation 07-21-PRS01 for Water Quality Month. Mr. Evan Otis of City of Killeen second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

This item was pulled from the Executive Director's Report for discussion and a motion was made by Councilmember Melissa Brown City of Killeen to allow CTCOG to take appropriate action in creating a 9-1-1 District Designation. Judge Steve Young of Milam County second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Reports

Area Agency on Aging

Jim Reed, Executive Director of Central Texas Council of Governments gave a brief update on AAAC/CTADRVC Programs. Area Agency on Aging has started budgeting for FY22 Planning Budget, Congregate Meal Sites will be inspected in August, and announced the Ombudsman program staff opening. COVID-19 Vaccine Initiative is partnering with Local/County Health District, Medical Clinics Pharmacies and Health Plans, preparing for COVID-19 Booster Vaccinations, and ongoing education and assistance to vaccine access. Baylor Scott & White, Texas Healthy Living, and AAAC are

collaborating to increase caregiver support for families living with dementia in BSWH communities during the coming year. Central Texas Aging, Disability, & Veterans Resource Center is working on coordinating entry for homelessness population and to provide mapping as community resources.

Planning & Regional Services

Uryan Nelson, Director of Planning and Regional Services gave a briefing on Emergency Services. The Homeland Security will have a HSAC meeting of August 5th. Criminal Justice received grants for the PSO, and the Peace Officer Training also received funding for two years. 9-1-1 NexGen shared the monthly critical errors across the region, totaling 6,996, and the region is working to minimize these errors. These errors can cause routing problems in the system and the department has staff ready to assist with error correction in the region. The upcoming events are CSEC Grantee Workshop and Commission on State Emergency Communications regular meeting. In June 2021, 9-1-1 received 27,240 calls and 132 text messages. GIS added a total of 107 new addresses to the region in June 2021. Economic Development hosted the second day of Leadership Central Texas on July 15th and an Open Meetings Act Training on July 13th. Staff are revising a draft broadband RFP that was submitted to the RFP working group to include additional feedback. We will be requesting EDA funds to support this effort. Mr. Nelson also briefed on the American Rescue Plan Act and the eligible uses of those funds.

Housing

Carmen Lim, Director of Housing Division gave a briefing on June 2021 Activities. In June, Previous Lease Up had 2,258, New Lease Up had 49, and 14 in Vouchers Issued Looking. The update in June, 20 Emergency Housing Vouchers were issued and 1 contract completed, and the City of Killeen has a landlord engagement partnership schedule in August.

Workforce Development Board and Workforce Center

Susan Kamas, Workforce Development Board Executive Director reported all 28 local flipboard plans were approved by the governor, and effective July 1st the plan implemented is legal. Under the Workforce Investment Act, the expenditure threshold was met. Child Care Services are accepting application and have raised to Income Guidelines. The income guidelines are the same across all the counties served by the Central Texas Workforce. The teacher externship has been interesting and an eye-opening experience for the teacher that were matched to work in a manufactured building establishment, she was exposed to the skills sets needed to manufacture a

modular building. Workforce had an economist come and to speak on the issues in the labor market post pandemic. He gave some of the top reasons there is a labor shortage and as to why people do not want to work.

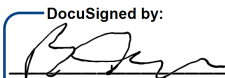
Louis LeDoux, Workforce Chief Operating Officer gave a briefing on unemployment rates in Central Texas Region and an overall unemployment rate in the State of Texas. Central Texas was 5.8 percent and 6.5 adjusted percent compared to the state. Texas UI Claims for June 2021 had a total of 16,571. Unemployment claims for each county during the month of June 2021 was significantly less than the prior year. Mr. LeDoux stated the Workforce Center held 6 virtual hiring events in June 2021 that offered 2,463 job openings from 86 different employers to 770 job seekers. During the month of June 2021, Workforce offered service to 10,770 individuals.

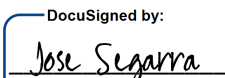
Executive Director

Jim Reed, Executive Director of CTCOG stated the opportunity for Central Texas Council of Governments to create and become its own 9-1-1 Emergency Communications District. Mr. Reed provided financial overview of the funding we have received from the State and how it would benefit the region to become its own district. Mr. Reed recommended to the committee members to allow staff to begin preparing the required documentation to form the Central Texas Emergency Communications District, CTECD and to allow staff to send each municipalities the resolution to support the creation of the district, and the CTCOG Executive Committee will be the initial governing Board of Managers.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Judge Byron Theodosis at 1:45 pm.

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The Honorable Byron Theodosis, President

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The Honorable Jose Segarra, Secretary/Treasurer