

Executive Committee Meeting

2180 North Main Street Belton, Texas
Thursday, March 28, 2024

Hybrid Meeting: 12:00 PM

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Meeting ID: 827 5771 8101

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AGENDA

1. Welcome.....Honorable Roger Miller, President
2. Call to Order.....Honorable Roger Miller, President
3. Oath of Office.....Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director
4. Opportunity for Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Minutes: February 2024
6. Expenditure Report: February 2024

ACTION ITEMS

7. Resolution 03-24-WFB001 In Support For the Career Outreach Program Funding to Include a Statewide Career Readiness Program.
8. Action Item 03-24-ADMIN001 Discussing and Accepting the Central Texas Council of Governments 2023 Audit Report.
9. Ratification of Resolution 03-24-PRS-001 Approving Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (SERI) Grant Projects.
10. Proclamation 03-24-PRS-002 Declaring April 15-19, 2024, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the Central Texas Region.
11. Proclamation 03-24-PRS-003 Declaring April 2024 as Community Development Month in the Central Texas Region.

12. Proclamation 03-24-PRS-004 Declaring April 2024 as Fair Housing Month in the Central Texas Region.
13. Proclamation 03-24-PRS-005 Declaring April 22, 2024, as Earth Day in the Central Texas Region.
14. Proclamation 03-24-PRS-006 Declaring April 2024 as Distracted Driving Awareness Month in the Central Texas Region.
15. Ratification of Resolution 03-24-PRS007 Approving FY2025 Regional Homeland Security Grant Funds.

REPORTS

16. Area Agency on Aging George Losoya, Director
17. Housing Carmen Lim, Director
18. Planning & Regional Services Uryan Nelson, Director
19. Workforce Development Board Susan Kamas, Workforce Board Executive Director
20. Workforce Centers Louis LeDoux, Workforce Center Chief Operating Officer
21. Executive Director’s Report Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director, CTCOG

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Executive Committee Meeting
 2180 North Main Street Belton, Texas
 February 29, 2024

Hybrid Meeting: 12:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES:

The February 2024 Central Texas Council of Governments Annual Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by The Honorable Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge, President at 12:20pm.

Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:

President	Judge Roger Miller	Coryell County
Parliamentarian	Judge Jody Fauley	San Saba County
Secretary/Treasurer	Ryan Haverlah	City of Copperas Cove
Immediate Past President	Judge Randy Hoyer	Lampasas County

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Riakos Adams, City of Killeen	Judge David Blackburn, Bell County	Commissioner Dickie Clary, Hamilton County
Mayor Rodney Craddick, Hamilton County	Mayor Bill Harris, Milam County	Judge Jett Johnson, Mills County
Commissioner Greg McGregor, San Saba County	Martha Tyroch, General Land Office	Commissioner Bobby Whitson, Bell County
Mayor Dan Yancey, City of Copperas Cove	Judge James Yates, Hamilton County	

CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:

Jim Reed, CTCOG	Michael Irvine, CTCOG	George Losoya, CTCOG
Uryan Nelson, CTCOG	Carmen Lim, CTCOG	Jeannie Horne, CTCOG
Jessee Hennage CTCOG	James McGill, CTCOG	Helen Hill-Yancey
Susan Kamas, WFB	Louis LeDoux, WFSCT	Lacy Alexander, Hamilton County
Ryan Polster, City of Hamilton	Michael Sledge, Grant Works	Bill Schumann, Bell County
Henry Hubnik, Milam County	Dan Malsom, Kimley - Horn	

Oath of Office

The oath of office was administered to Ms. Martha Tyroch, as the General Land Office Primary Seat and Mr. Riakos Adams, councilmember, as the City of Killeen alternate representative on the Executive Committee Board.

Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by The Honorable Randal Hoyer, Lampasas County Judge, to accept the Consent Agenda, which included the January 2024 Expenditure Report and the January 2024 Meeting Minutes. Dickie Clary, Hamilton County Commissioner, second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Action Items

A motion was made by Riakos Adams, City of Killeen Councilmember, to approve Resolution 02-24-PRS-001 which sought to approve the FY 2023-2024 TXCDBG Community Development Fund Unified Scoring Committee Regional Representative, and appointed The Honorable Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge. The Honorable David Blackburn, Bell County Judge, second the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

A motion was made by The Honorable David Blackburn, Bell County Judge, to approve Resolution 02-24-PRS-002 which sought to approve the Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (SERI) Grant and project allocations. After additional discussion an amended motion was put forth by the Honorable Jody Fauley, San Saba County Judge, which would call for a re-written resolution that Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director CTCOG, would sign for submittal purposes and then be ratified at the next Executive Committee Meeting, Riakos Adams, City of Killeen Councilmember, second the amended motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Guest Speakers & Presentations

Dan Malsom, Kinley – Horn, presented on behalf of Tom Fowler, also of Kinley – Horn. Mr. Malsom advised the committee of the status and progress of the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Grant and its assigned projects within the region.

Reports

Area Agency on Aging: George Losoya, Director of AAA/ADVRC briefed the committee on the current state of the program, and upcoming events in the region.

Housing: Carmen Lim, Director of HAP, briefly explained the progress and issues of the CTCOG Housing Assistance Programs efforts in taking over the Killeen Housing Authority clientele, making landlord ledgers complete, and processing both CTCOG Housing applicant files and KHA client files to ensure all are in compliance with the program.

Planning and Regional Services: Uryan Nelson, Director of PRS, briefed the committee on the current performance of both the Regional Planning and Emergency Planning Services departments as well as sharing the most current updates on the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) project, which the guest speaker Mr. Dan Malsom had spoken on in a more in-depth way in his presentation.

Workforce Development Board: Susan Kamas, Executive Director of WFBCT, advised the committee of the CTWF ratings among the Texas WFB. CTWF is among the highest ranked in the state, ranking in first place in the WDA Greeter Report of 2023 and third place for the Statewide Service to Job Seekers Award and Statewide Service to Business Award.

Workforce Solutions Central Texas: Louis LeDoux, Chief Operating Officer of WFSCT, Louis LeDoux, Chief Operating Officer of WFSCT, briefed the committee on the standing of Texas UI claims for the region as well as the unemployment rates for the region as of 01/27/2024. The total UI claims filed for the week ending 01/27/2024 reached 15,561 and the unemployment rate rests at 3.8%.

Executive Directors Report: Mr. Jim Reed, AICP, Executive Director CTCOG, advised the committee that the next meeting will take place on Thursday March 28, 2024.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 01:43 PM by The Honorable Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge, President.

The Honorable Judge Roger Miller, President

The Honorable Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



Expenditure Report
Fiscal Year: 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2024

Descriptions	February Expenditures	Cumulative Expenditures	Annual Budget	Remaining Budget
Personnel	\$ 634,329	\$ 4,867,028	\$ 7,315,023	\$ 2,447,995
Employee Benefits	381,935	3,231,866	4,885,720	1,653,854
Contract services	649,327	5,924,324	9,876,371	3,952,047
Travel	14,013	171,447	313,681	142,234
Housing Assistance Payments	1,734,954	12,190,759	18,300,748	6,109,989
Other	2,349,876	18,819,119	28,723,712	9,904,593
In-kind	-	112,223	172,648	60,425
Indirect costs	176,205	1,235,883	1,858,580	622,697
Totals	<u>\$ 5,940,639</u>	<u>\$ 46,552,649</u>	<u>\$ 71,446,483</u>	<u>\$ 24,893,834</u>

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Detail of Other Expenditures
Fiscal Year: 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2024

<u>Descriptions</u>	<u>February Expenditures</u>	<u>Cumulative Expenditures</u>
Participant Salaries	\$ 7,532	\$ 168,354
FICA Taxes	576	14,678
Workers Compensation	314	5,298
Building Expense	33,461	282,276
Consumable Supplies	19,110	97,069
Employee Development	13,939	235,044
Insurance and Bonding	856	10,441
Rent	93,913	685,389
Printing	1,902	24,751
Furniture/Equipment Rental	4,912	50,921
IT Supplies	-	12,385
Maintenance and Repairs	1,662	8,821
Communications	10,451	117,778
Postage	2,365	26,091
Utilities	11,147	75,968
Public Relations	807	37,250
Tuition	145,032	846,060
Dues and Subscriptions	16,911	100,343
Quality Assurance	139,565	767,052
Other Expenditures	23,756	69,063
Work Related Expense	99,537	457,567
Gasoline	-	1,984
Janitorial	1,739	79,512
Automobile Repairs	-	130
Client Rent Payment	-	426
Client Transportation	29,365	298,204
Client Child Care	1,663,547	13,884,043
Client Utilitites/Utility Dep	136	796
Other Support Services	33,101	162,679
Inventory Equipment	-	105,588
Inventory Furniture	-	1,253
Software & Software Updates	(5,761)	191,905
	<u>\$ 2,349,875</u>	<u>\$ 18,819,119</u>



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
Central Texas Council of Governments FY25 Regional Statewide
Emergency Radio Infrastructure Projects**

03-24-PRS001

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG), a Regional Planning Commission designated by the Office of the Governor, State of Texas, under the provisions of Article 1011mm, V.A.C.S., with jurisdictional lines encompassing the counties of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills and San Saba, is desirous of submitting the regional CTCOG grant application for the Texas General Appropriations Act, Article I, Rider 26 for Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office. The Central Texas Council of Governments finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the CTCOG's seven county region, that the projects below are recommended for funding; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee serves as the governing body of the Central Texas Council of Governments finds that all activities and related expenses included in this application will serve to implement the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the Public Safety Office; agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the CTCOG assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, the primary mission of the Regional Emergency Radio Infrastructure Project is to support the Office of the Governor's Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (SERI) funding opportunity. This project will allow the CTCOG region to provide the opportunity for jurisdictions to purchase new, upgrade, or replace existing antiquated communications infrastructure equipment (except for mobile and handheld radios and equipment) and,

WHEREAS, jurisdictions submitting applications for funding under this announcement shall provide a resolution of their governing body indicating that an adequate equipment replacement plan, and all maintenance for equipment will be provided for in subsequent budgets, and,

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used only for the purposes for which they are provided. The CTCOG designates Jim Reed, Executive Director, as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following projects have been recommended for funding:

AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	RECOMMENDED FUNDING
Bell County Communications Center	Tower Generators	\$552,000
Bell County Communications Center	Conventional Repeaters	\$50,000
Bell County Communications Center	Dispatch Consoles/Back-up Site	\$162,000
Central Texas Council of Governments	Regional Trailered Generators	\$50,000
Central Texas Council of Governments	Staff Grant Management& Administration	\$15,000
City of Cameron	Dispatch Console	\$260,000
City of Gatesville	Dispatch Console	\$400,000
Lampasas County	Dispatch Console	\$251,000
Mills County	Dispatch Console	\$190,000
Central Texas Council of Governments	Regional 40' High Frequency Towers	\$70,000
TOTAL		\$2,000,000

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the Central Texas Council of Governments, this the 28th day of March 2024.

The Honorable Roger Miller, President

The Honorable Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



**CONSIDERATION FOR ITEM APPROVAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING DATE: 3/28/2024

AGENDA ITEM: 2024 National Telecommunicator Week
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:

Proclamation for National Telecommunicator Week 2024.

THIS ITEM REPRESENTS A:

- New issue, project, or purchase
- Routine, regularly scheduled item
- Follow-up to a previously discussed item
- Special item requested by board member
- Other

PRIMARY CONTACT/STAFF MEMBER: Becky Cooley

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Total estimated cost: No impact on budget

Source of Funds: **State Homeland Security Program**

Is item already included in fiscal year budget? Yes No

Does item represent a new expenditure? Yes No

Does item represent a pass-through purchase? Yes No

If so, for what city/county/etc.? [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

PROCUREMENT:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of proclamation

BACK-UP DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

N/A

BACK-UP DOUCUMENTS NOT ATTACHED *(to be sent prior to meeting or will be a handout at the meeting):*

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 15 - 19, 2024 AS
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK
IN THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGION**

03-24-PRS002

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is a recipient of State and Federal Funds to ensure that 9-1-1 calls are delivered to the appropriate public safety answering points,

WHEREAS, the 9-1-1 telecommunicators are essential to public safety and work behind the scenes saving lives, and

WHEREAS, the safety of our police officers, firefighters, and first responders is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone their emergency communications center; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first first responders and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; and,

WHEREAS, each April, we come together as a region to celebrate those who dedicate their lives to serving the public as 9-1-1 dispatchers.

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Central Texas Council of Governments that April 14th – 20th be declared as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the Central Texas Region.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th Day of March 2024 by the Central Texas Council of Governments' Executive Committee.

Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



**CONSIDERATION FOR ITEM APPROVAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING DATE: 3/28/2024

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Proclamation Declaring April 2024 as Community Development Month the Central Texas Region.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:

Proclamation for Community Development in the Central Texas Region

THIS ITEM REPRESENTS A:

- New issue, project, or purchase
- Routine, regularly scheduled item
- Follow-up to a previously discussed item
- Special item requested by board member
- Other

PRIMARY CONTACT/STAFF MEMBER: James McGill

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Total estimated cost: \$0

Source of Funds: N/A

Is item already included in fiscal year budget? Yes No

Does item represent a new expenditure? Yes No

Does item represent a pass-through purchase? Yes No

If so, for what city/county/etc.? [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

PROCUREMENT:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Proclamation

BACK-UP DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Proclamation

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2024 AS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
MONTH IN THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGION**

03-24-PRS003

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23;

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties;

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is a recipient of Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program funds for technical assistance, dissemination of program information, sending a regional representative to the Unified Scoring Committee, a Fair Housing or Community Development Month event, and TxCDBG grant awardee kickoff meetings;

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant Program has operated for 50 years since 1974 to provide local governments with the resources required to primarily meet the needs of low and moderate income persons;

WHEREAS, the month of April 2024 has been reserved for recognition and appreciation of the Community Development Block Grant Program

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Central Texas Council of Governments that the month of April 2024 be declared as Community Development Month in the Central Texas Region.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of March, 2024 by the Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee.

Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



**CONSIDERATION FOR ITEM APPROVAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING DATE: 3/28/2024

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Proclamation Declaring April 2024 as Fair Housing Month the Central Texas Region.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:

Proclamation for Fair Housing Month in the Central Texas Region

THIS ITEM REPRESENTS A:

- New issue, project, or purchase
- Routine, regularly scheduled item
- Follow-up to a previously discussed item
- Special item requested by board member
- Other

PRIMARY CONTACT/STAFF MEMBER: James McGill

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Total estimated cost: \$0

Source of Funds: N/A

Is item already included in fiscal year budget? Yes No

Does item represent a new expenditure? Yes No

Does item represent a pass-through purchase? Yes No

If so, for what city/county/etc.? [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

PROCUREMENT:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Proclamation

BACK-UP DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Proclamation

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2024 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH
IN THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGION**

03-24-PRS-004

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is a recipient of Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program funds and is required to perform a well-publicized activity to further fair housing opportunity within the seven-county region before final reimbursement under the current contract's expiration on August 31, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act of 1968 prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings based on race, color, religion, sex or national origin, and

WHEREAS, each April, we come together as a community and a nation to celebrate the anniversary of the passing of the Fair Housing Act and recommit to that goal which inspired us to eliminate housing discrimination and create equal opportunity in every community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Central Texas Council of Governments that the Month of April 2022 be declared as Fair Housing Month in the Central Texas Region.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of March, 2024 by the Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee.

Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



**CONSIDERATION FOR ITEM APPROVAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

MEETING DATE: 3/28/2024

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Proclamation Declaring April 22nd as Earth day in the Central Texas Region.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:

Proclamation for Earth Day.

THIS ITEM REPRESENTS A:

- New issue, project, or purchase
- Routine, regularly scheduled item
- Follow-up to a previously discussed item
- Special item requested by board member
- Other

PRIMARY CONTACT/STAFF MEMBER: James McGill

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Total estimated cost: \$0

Source of Funds: N/A

Is item already included in fiscal year budget? Yes No

Does item represent a new expenditure? Yes No

Does item represent a pass-through purchase? Yes No

If so, for what city/county/etc.? [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

PROCUREMENT:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Proclamation

BACK-UP DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Proclamation

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 22nd AS
EARTH DAY
IN THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGION
03-24-PRS-005**

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments houses several programs that address environmental issues, and

WHEREAS, the first Earth Day in 1970 helped lead to the creation of the EPA and the passage of environmental laws, and

WHEREAS, each April 22nd, we come together as a community and a nation to celebrate the anniversary of the first Earth Day and commit to continuing the efforts of protecting and conserving our one Earth, our home;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Central Texas Council of Governments that the date of April 22nd be declared as Earth Day in the Central Texas Region.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of March, 2024 by the Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee.

Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



CONSIDERATION FOR ITEM APPROVAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING DATE: 3/28/2024

AGENDA ITEM: Approval of Proclamation Declaring April as Distracted Driving Awareness Month
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF ITEM:

Proclamation for Distracted Driving Awareness Month

THIS ITEM REPRESENTS A:

- New issue, project, or purchase
- Routine, regularly scheduled item
- Follow-up to a previously discussed item
- Special item requested by board member
- Other

PRIMARY CONTACT/STAFF MEMBER: James McGill

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Total estimated cost: \$0

Source of Funds: N/A

Is item already included in fiscal year budget? Yes No

Does item represent a new expenditure? Yes No

Does item represent a pass-through purchase? Yes No

If so, for what city/county/etc.? [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

PROCUREMENT:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Proclamation

BACK-UP DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Proclamation

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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2024 AS
DISTRACTED DRIVING AWARENESS MONTH
IN THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGION**

03-24-PRS-006

WHEREAS, the Governor of Texas has designated the Central Texas Council of Governments areas as State Planning Region #23, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is organized in accordance with Section 391 of the Local Government Code and encompasses the region of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills, and San Saba counties, and

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments is a hosts the Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization (KTMPO), the Hill Country Transit District, and the Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group which all address transportation issues across the central Texas region, and

WHEREAS, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has declared the month of April 2024 as National Distracted Driving Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, distracted driving is any activity that diverts attention from driving, including talking or texting on your phone, eating and drinking, talking to people in your vehicle, adjusting the entertainment or navigation system; and

WHEREAS, more than 2,000 people have been killed due to distracted drivers since 2017, distracted driving deaths increased by 10% in 2022, and approximately 1 in 6 crashes was attributed to distracted driving in 2022; and

WHEREAS you cannot drive safely unless the task of driving has your full attention and any non-driving activity is a potential distraction and increases your risk of crashing; and

WHEREAS, since September 1, 2017 it has been illegal to read, write, or send a text while driving in Texas, with fines of up to \$200 for violators; and

WHEREAS; the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Central Texas Council of Governments are fully committed to ending all traffic related deaths on Texas roads and are reminding all Texans to put their phones down and give driving their full attention whenever they are behind the wheel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Central Texas Council of Governments that the Month of April 2023 be declared as Distracted Driving Awareness Month in the Central Texas Region.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 28th day of March, 2024 by the Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Committee.

Judge Roger Miller, President

Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)
FY 2025 Funds**

03-24-PRS007

WHEREAS, the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) Executive Committee, a Regional Planning Commission designated by the Office of the Governor, State of Texas, under the provisions of Article 1011mm, V.A.C.S., with jurisdictional lines encompassing the counties of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam, Mills and San Saba, is desirous of submitting regional grant applications for the State Homeland Security FY 2025 funds through the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office. The Central Texas Council of Governments finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the CTCOG's seven county region, that the projects below are recommended for funding; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Central Texas Council of Governments finds that all activities and related expenses included in these applications will serve to implement the goals, objectives, and recommendations of the Public Safety Office; agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, the CTCOG assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee of Central Texas Council of Governments has reviewed and agrees with the unanimous recommendations of the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) regarding the 2025 Homeland Security funding as proposed;

WHEREAS, grant funds will be used only for the purposes for which they are provided. The Authorized official is identified on each application and is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that these projects have been recommended for funding:

Grantee Name	Project Title	Amount Requested	HSAC Recommend Amount
Central Texas Council of Governments	Planning	\$125,988.60	\$125,988.60
Central Texas Council of Governments	CTCOG Community Preparedness	\$99,045.80	\$75,845.80
Central Texas Council of Governments	Regional Emergency Notification System	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00
Temple, City of	Fire Station Enhancements	\$22,000	\$15,265.10
Temple, City of	ST/CP HAZMAT	\$54,071.80	\$42,677.00
Killeen, City of	LEA Field Situational Awareness	\$19,928	\$14,233

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the Central Texas Council of Governments, this the 28^h day of March 2024.

The Honorable Roger Miller, President

The Honorable Ryan Haverlah, Secretary/Treasurer