



**Minutes: September 26, 2019
Executive Committee Meeting
Central Texas Council of Governments
2180 North Main Street, Belton, Texas
12:00 PM**

The September 2019 Central Texas Council of Governments Annual Executive Committee Meeting was called to Order by The Honorable Bill Schumann, President.

Executive Committee Officers in Attendance:

President	Commissioner Bill Schumann	Bell County
1 st Vice President	Judge Byron Theodosis	San Saba County
2 nd Vice President	Commissioner Daren Moore	Coryell County
Secretary/Treasurer	Judge David Blackburn	Bell County
Parliamentarian	Mayor Jose Segarra	City of Killeen

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Gary Chumley, Gatesville City Mayor	Randy Hoyer, Lampasas County Judge	Spencer Smith, Harker Heights City Mayor
Dickie Clary, Hamilton County Commissioner	Roger Miller, Coryell County Judge	Byron Theodosis, San Saba County Judge
Timothy Davis, Temple City Mayor	Daren Moore, Coryell County Commissioner	Martha Tyroch, Senator Buckingham's Office
Bradi Diaz, Copperas Cove City Mayor	Jeff Muegge, Milam County Commissioner	Bobby Whitson, Bell County Commissioner
John Driver, Bell County Commissioner	William Parry, Gatesville City Manager	Jim Yeonopolus, Central Texas College Chancellor
Otis Evans, City of Killeen Representative	Eric Penrod, Killeen I.S.D.	Steve Young Milam County Judge
Ed Smith, Mills County Judge		

CTCOG Staff Members and Guests in Attendance:

Carmen Lim, CTCOG	Earl Wall, TSHL	Kendra Coufal, CTCOG
Daniel Hall, BGCTX	George Losoya, CTCOG	Kathi Barksdale, Bingo/BGCTX
Russell Hoelsher, AAA	Theresa Mireles, AAA	Jesse Hennage, CTCOG
Margaret Matthews, AAA	Mitzi Gearhart, Workforce Board	Kerry Fillip, AACT/CTADVRC
Helen Hill-Yancey, CTCOG 9-1-1	Megan Rodriguez, CTCOG GIS	Tiana Quick, Boys & Girls Club
Susan Kamas, Workforce	Louis LeDoux, Workforce	Kara Clore, Rockdale DDCT
Floyd Forrest, Fort Hood	Aly McMillan, UWCT	Ryan Haverlah, Copperas Cove
Monica Lopez, CTCOG-AAA	Maria Delgado, CTCOG-AAA	Grace Doersam, CTCOG-AAA
Clarence Enochs, Leadership CT	Robin Garrett, Leadership CT	Stacey Hawkins, Leadership CT
Katherine Martinez, Leadership CT	James McGill, Leadership CT	Helen Owens, Leadership CT
Portia Talley, Leadership CT	Rickey Williams, Leadership CT	Shayla Wilson, Leadership CT

Invocation was led by George Losoya Director of the CTCOG Housing Division and the pledge to the American flag and the Texas flag was led by Executive Director Jim Reed. Leadership Central Texas graduates were introduced by Kendra Coufal, Regional Planning Manager.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Hamilton County Commission Lloyd Huggins to accept the minutes of August 22, 2019 and the respective expenditure report for August 2019. Killeen Citizen Representative Otis Evans seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

A motion was made by Martha Tyroch, Office of Senator Dann Buckingham to accept Resolution #19-09-HAP01 approving the transfer of 15 VASH Vouchers to the Housing Authority of the City of Austin (HACA) from Central Texas Council of Government’s Housing Division. Bell County Commissioner John Driver seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Reports

Area Agency on Aging

Kerry Fillip, Directors of Area Agency on Aging stated that all the town meetings have been booked for each county in the month of October. There have been recent improvements in the congregate meal programs. The meal count in August is up by 837 meals. There were 112 new clients at the Killeen Community Center and Lions Club Park and trial meals are being provided at both centers for three weeks.

Planning & Regional Services

Jim Reed, Executive Director stated that Uryan was unavailable to brief as his granddaughter was just born. Jim stated briefed that Homeland Security is currently working with THIRA and Regional Interoperability Communications Plan with great regional participation and Criminal Justice just had the interlocal agreement renewed. Peace officer training has an increase of 1,220 trainees and 49 classes offered from the previous grant cycle. Fiscal year 2020 & 2021 grant was awarded and the same amount of roughly \$152,00 for peace officer training. The MILO training simulator room is ready for use at the Belton Police Department range and available for the region. 9-1-1 received a total of 25,996 to include 19,224 from BCC 125 texts were received to include 89 from BCC. GIS has a total of 31,144 critical errors and Kirby Kissinger; GIS Manager and her staff are working to lower that number. The addressing department received 100 addressing requests. Staff have prepared an Economic Development Newsletter that is being sent out every two weeks. The Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is developing an interactive regional trails map that will be live and available to download in the coming weeks. October 2, 2019 is walk to school day and the month of October is walk to school month in the KTMPO region.

Housing

George Losoya, Housing Director stated there were currently 2,169 families currently on the program and 145 Veteran's Administrative Supportive Housing (VASH). Currently there are 293 families that were issued vouchers and are looking for a residence and 21 VASH. Payments made to landlords was \$1,888,268 with a utilization rate or 93% and an administrative fee earned of \$111,121. The year-end projected reserves stand at \$1,988,720. Lease up activity consisted of 322 applications scheduled, 233 of those were seen and 89 no-shows. There were 70 new vouchers issues and 153 housing choice vouchers searching and 11 VASH, and 20 pending inspection. The waiting list will open on October 9, 2019 at 8:30am and close on October 11, 2019 at 4:30pm. There were 811 special Vouchers NOFA with coordinated entry through Central Texas Homeless Coalition submitted on September 2, 2019. Housing along with partners are looking to have a housing resource center in the city of Temple. CMS Housing Summit planning with University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston.

Workforce Development Board and Workforce Center

Susan Kamas, Workforce Development Board Executive Director stated that the Workforce Board just approved the budget. Had a visit from GAO and the Gao were looking at the Fort Hood Grant and previous Trade Assessment Adjustment. Were asked what could be done to make the programs better. Susan stated that they would like to serve the retired veteran and have a permanent funding source for Fort Hood. Ken Cox is no longer with Workforce and the new Interim Director will be Louis LeDoux.

Executive Director

Jim Reed, Executive Director introduced Vice President of Resource Development for the Boys & Girls Club, Daniel Hall. Mr. Hall stated that came out with a new marketing campaign is “We do whatever it takes to build great leaders.” Texas Charity Bingo funds go to Boys & Girls Clubs in Texas and it is a valuable resource partner. Legislative obligation HB914 which requires counties and city governments that vote on continuing to collect prize fees from charity bingo halls. Rise of game rooms have led to a diminishment in Texas charity bingo operations. Daniel Hall was requesting to consider the impact of game rooms in the communities. Jim stated that funding under future funding outlook for various programs seems to be very stable and there has been an increase influx in 9-1-1 fees. Legislative update, CTCOG received a grant program called the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) that is a \$5 million pot of money that is distributed between 24 councils of governments and currently there is over \$25 million in the account. That account grows every year because TCEQ does not request the full amount in the legislative budget request and is a state-wide issue due to lack of funding. That is a dedicated fund account that can only be use for solid waste reduction in the state of Texas. The program consists of 3 or 4 a year of household hazardous waste events which is not competitive. Texas Association or Regional Councils (TARC) had annual meeting last month and Judge Theodosis represented the area well. Corporation for Texas Regionalism has been an advocacy for regional councils due to prohibition of lobbying. Currently looking for partner who do advocacy work. Currently temperature of the regional councils is to dissolve the entity and would like to work with TAC or TML.

Adjourn

The Honorable Bill Schumann, President

The Honorable David Blackburn, Secretary/Treasurer