MPO Policy Committee Meeting

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Meeting Date & Time: November 15th, 2023 at 1:30 P.M.
Meeting Location: City of Laredo Council Chambers, 1110 Houston St., Laredo, Texas 78040
Meeting Link: http://laredotx.swagit.com/live
Laredo TV: Spectrum TV channel 1300

AGENDA:

I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL

III. CITIZEN COMMENTS

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IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:

A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on October 18, 2023.

B. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-13, adopting the proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

C. Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed amendment(s) to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

D. Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the following proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

1. ***Revision*** of *Appendix A – Short range Projects Identified in the MTP and Listed in the TIP* as necessary to incorporate and reflect the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP.

E. Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-14 supporting the functional classification (FC) of Vallecillo Road, a new location roadway, as "Other Principal Arterial".

F. Discussion with possible action on the traffic congestion issues at Unitec Industrial Park, and other matters incident thereto. (Requested by City of Laredo)

G. Discussion with possible action on the Hachar-Reuthinger Road project.

V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required).

A. Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

VI. DIRECTOR's COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

LWCAMPO Chairperson
Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge

LWCAMPO Vice-Chairperson
Honorable Dr. Victor D. Treviño, City of Laredo Mayor

City of Laredo Representatives:
Honorable Ruben Gutierrez, Jr., City Councilmember, District V
Honorable Melissa R. Cigarroa, City Councilmember, District III

County of Webb Representatives:
Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3

Laredo Mass Transit Board Representative:
Honorable Vanessa Perez, City Councilmember, District VII

State Representative:

Mr. Epigmenio "Epi" Gonzalez, P.E., TxDOT District Engineer

Member at Large Representative:

Jed A. Brown

Ex-Officio Representatives:

Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21
Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42
Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80

AGENDA REVIEWED:

Juan S. Mendive, AICP
LWCAMPO Director

(FOR) Jose A. Valdez, Jr.
Laredo City Secretary

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LAREDO & WEBB COUNTY
AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Item IV.A.

Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on October 18, 2023.

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POLICY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2023

LIVE WEB LINK: http://laredotx.swagit.com/live
PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL: Spectrum TV channel 1300

I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Judge Tano E. Tijerina, called the meeting to order at 1:37 P.M.

II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL

Graciela Briones, MPO Staff, called roll and verified a quorum existed.

Regular members present:
Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge and LWCAMPO Chairperson
Honorable Dr. Victor D. Treviño, Mayor and LWCAMPO Vice-Chairperson (joined meeting at 1:39 PM)
Honorable Vanessa Perez, Mayor Pro Tempore, City Councilmember, District VII
Honorable Melissa R. Cigarroa, City Councilmember, District III
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3
Mr. Epigmenio "Epi" Gonzalez, P.E., TxDOT District Engineer
Mr. Jed A. Brown, Member-At-Large

Regular members not present:
Honorable Ruben Gutierrez Jr., City Councilmember, District V
Honorable Jesse Gonzalez, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 1 (Listened-in and participated via Zoom)

CM. Perez, made a motion to **excuse** members not present.

Second:	CM. Galo
For:	6
Against:	0
Abstained:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

Ex-Officio members not present:
Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21
Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42
Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80

LWCAMPO Staff present:
Juan S. Mendive, LWCAMPO Director
Graciela S. Briones, LWCAMPO Planner III
Julio A. Niño, LWCAMPO Planner III
Eduardo Bernal, LWCAMPO Planner III
Adriana A. Vigil, LWCAMPO Administrative Assistant

Others:
Ramon Chavez, COL Engineering
Chief Miguel Rodriguez, COL LPD
Gerardo Gonzalez, COL LPD
Rene R. Alvarado, COL LPD
Eloisa Mascorro, El Metro Transit
Sara Garza, TxDOT
Roberto Rodriguez, TxDOT
Ana Duncan, TxDOT
Luis M. Villarreal, TxDOT
Fernando Martinez, TxDOT
Angel Martinez, TxDOT
Adelaido Uribe, Webb County Judge's Office
Guillermo Cuellar, Webb County Engineering
Anthony Garza, Webb County Consultant
Melissa Montemayor, WC-CL RMA/LJA
Blasita Lopez, WC-CL RMA/LJA
Jason Rodriguez, WC-CL RMA/LJA
Ignacio Hinojosa, Ardurra
Jose L. Ceballos, Fasken Development
Edward Ruiz

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No citizen comments were received.

IV. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION:

A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on September 20, 2023.

CM. Galo, made a motion to **approve** the minutes of September 20, 2023.

Second: CM. Perez
For: 7
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

B. **Motion to award and execute a professional services contract with WSP USA, Inc. in the amount of $376,504.25 for the 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update**.

Juan Mendive, MPO Director, stated that an RFQ had been opened on July 19th 2023 for the MTP Update which is a Federal required document. He further stated that the Policy Committee allowed them to enter into negotiations with WSP USA, Inc. and a contract was negotiated in the amount of $376,504.25. Mr. Mendive, also stated that the funding was available in their Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and that the project will take approximately 15 months.

Judge Tijerina, asked how often the MTP Update is required.

Mr. Mendive, stated that MTP Update is required every 5 years.

CM. Galo, made a motion to approve the awarding and execution of a professional service contract with WSP USA, Inc. for the 2025-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Update.

Second: CM. Perez
For: 7
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

C. Discussion with possible action on transportation planning activities and initiatives to improve the safety of the regional transportation network.

Mr. Mendive, stated that the item had been briefly discussed on the last Policy Committee meeting as per Commissioner Gonzalez and Mayor Pro Temp Council Member, Vanessa Perez request, because of the numerous incidents of fatalities that had recently occurred on the local roadways. Mr. Mendive, stated that the RMA had started working on their Safety Action Plan, and they were invited to provide an overview of the plan to see what work would be related to planning in collaboration with the RMA.

Mr. Brown, RMA, stated that Jason Rodriguez would be the keynote speaker on the RMA's Safety Action Plan. He also stated that a $2 million grant was awarded to the community and the RMA to study and create a Safety Action Plan for all of Laredo and Webb County. Mr. Brown further stated that between February and September they were being trained on how to administer the grant and with an 18-month period to finish. He continued by stating that the goal of the grant was implementation of dollars through the study and, to be able to attract more monies to the community in order to implement aspects of what comes out of the study.

Mr. Jason Rodriguez, LJA Engineering, representing the RMA, briefly presented how the grant was obtained and described the Vision Zero Webb Laredo Action Plan process. He also explained what the Safety Action Plan was about with three major goals of the study are to make a public commitment to zero fatalities on roadways by certain year, and presented three different examples of public statements. He further showed the eight (8) Key Milestones for the Safety Action Plan, and explained that a couple of advisory committees will be in place. One could be a working group that will consist of City staff that will be responsible for implementing the plan. He further stated the discussions would begin in November or December, 2023 and to have the public commitment by February 2024. Mr. Rodriguez continued presenting the rest of the milestones for the Safety Action Plan with proposed dates for these milestones to be completed by.

Mr. Brown, asked Mr. Rodriguez if the public commitment would be provided through the MPO, the City, the County, or all three separate entities.

Mr. Rodriguez, answered that even though the RMA and the City were being funding partners, they would be the governing bodies that would provide a commitment but, the invite would be for all the governing bodies in the community to make the commitment or pledge.

Mr. Brown, also asked how the members for the advisory committee would be selected.

Mr. Rodriguez, stated that for being a partner, the City would definitely have some representation in the advisory committee. He also stated that the invite would also be for TxDOT, Webb County and others from the community to provide input. He further stated that the City would be taking the lead on the working side and on the advocacy side of the advisory committee.

Mr. Brown, asked Mayor Treviño and Judge Tijerina if they had certain people in mind that they would like them to be participants, to provide their names to add them to the committee.

CM. Galo, asked if the pledge was something mandatory part of the grant.

Mr. Rodriguez, answered that a date of by when to reduce fatalities to zero is needed in order to develop the plan. This would help to establish the steps to follow to reach the goal.

CM. Cigarroa, commented that the idea of having a written down goal is to create the steps to see how you get to your goal.

CM. Galo, asked if the $2 million were to implement the steps.

Mr. Brown, answered that they were to study all the problem areas in the City and Webb County to address them and fix them. He further stated that it is to engage everyone in the community that has data that is measurable to figure out were the problem areas are.

Mr. Mendive, stated that a safety report had been included in their packet that TxDOT and TTI had helped put together.

Mr. Brown, mentioned that it was a very competitive grant and they were very excited to have gotten it, he also mentioned that they were in the top 4 in Texas.

Judge Tijerina, asked if everyone received the same equal amount of $1.6 million.

Mr. Brown, answered that the number varied depending on how much they had applied for. He stated that they had originally applied for the $2 million as they felt that was a reasonable figure to generate a good study that will help make the streets safer. He explained that if they had applied for more they would have had to come up with a larger amount for the 20% match.

CM. Perez, asked if it had costed them any money to initiate the study.

Mr. Brown, explained that it will cost the City and the RMA each $200,000.00 and they had already started spending the money. He also stated that it is a pay as you go, each month they will be billed and in order to get their money back they have to apply to the federal government. He also stated that there was a $25,000.00 application fee for the grant which was split by the City of Laredo and the RMA, approximately $12,500.00 each.

Mr. Mendive presented the safety report to the committee. He presented a chart that showed the fatalities from 2018 to 2022. He stated that most of the accidents were speed and intersection related. Mr. Mendive, stated that the report was put together based on that CRIS data but there are a lot more details behind the safety report.

Mr. Epigmenio "Epi" Gonzalez, TxDOT stated that they have a highway safety improvement program where they are identifying locations on their on-system roads. He also stated that they have monies available for off-system roads in order to identify some of the projects.

Mr. Mike Rodriguez, COL Police Chief explained that the report provides where the gaps are at. He stated that the more data they collect the better they understand where the gaps are. He stated that the category of Young Driver involved is very important because it helps them provide visibility to the community as far as the dangers that Young Drivers go through. Chief Rodriguez, explained the three major contributing factors on Young Drivers. He stated that the lack of scanning, speeding, and distractions were the top three

factors they have identified. He also stated that a lot of the recent accidents occurred have involved young drivers.

CM. Perez, asked if they can offer high school students a little crash course similar to driver's ed.

Chief Rodriguez, stated that LPD is working with LISD to create a curriculum for one day where the officers can go and talk about different dangers and they want to incorporates the number one reason why teenagers get hurt, which is driving a motor vehicle. He also stated that they will be bring back the program Shattered Dreams which is a concept that simulates what happens when an accident occurs. Chief Rodriguez, shared some new data they collected of where they have given the most traffic citations. That data helped decreased from 710 accidents a month in average to 554 accidents a month, he stated it is about 20% decrease. Chief Rodriguez, stated that they are enforcing the Cuatro Vientos area, he also stated that in the next weeks they will be doing a big operation involving LPD and DPS in several parts of the city. He also stated that they need more signage to constantly remind people that texting and driving is an offense.

Mr. Mendive, stated that there are monies available for implementation, but a requirement for that implementation grant is to have a Safety Action Plan in order to be eligible for additional safety funding.

D. Discussion with possible action to program Category 7 funds for the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project and the Vallecillo Road Project, and receive public testimony to initiate a 10-day comment period to include the proposed programming revisions to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

CM. Galo, made a motion to initiate a 10-day public comment period.

Second:	CM. Cigarroa
For:	7
Against:	0
Abstained:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

Judge Tijerina, asked if there was anyone in the audience that would like to speak For or Against the following 5 revisions.

1. **Addition** of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 1 ROW/ preliminary engineering phase in FY 2025 with an estimated project cost of $926,980. Category 7 funds in the amount of $100,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

2. **Addition** of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 2 ROW/ preliminary engineering phase in FY 2025 with an estimated project cost of

$1,012,816. Category 7 funds in the amount of $100,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

3. **Addition** of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 1 Construction Phase in FY 2033 with an estimated project cost of $13,562,500. Category 7 funds in the amount of $13,562,500 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

4. **Addition** of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 2 Construction Phase in FY 2034 with an estimated project cost of $7,160,000. Category 7 funds in the amount of $7,160,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

5. **Programming** of an additional $1,312,592 in Category 7 funds for the Vallecillo Road Project intended to provide for the construction of a new 4 lane [off-system] highway with a continuous turn lane. The project sponsor is the Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority and the proposed letting date is FY 2026.

CM. Galo, made a motion to approve the programing of Category 7 funds for the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion and the Vallecillo Road Project.

Second: CM. Cigarroa
For: 7
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously.

CM. Perez, asked if the programing of Category 7 funds for these projects will cause a depletion in their Category 7 dollars. CM. Perez, also asked about the proposed letting dates, if some of the projects were ready to go sooner than the proposed letting dates.

Anthony Garza, Webb County Consultant, explained that the Category 7 funds get refilled every year, he further stated that the Category 7 funds need to be used because TxDOT can take back if you have unallocated or unspent funds. He further stated that it is very important to tie up money on paper so it won't be taken away from them and so they can do project development. Mr. Garza, also stated that they are anticipating to deliver the project in about 24 months, because there is no right-of-way acquisition and no major issues to encounter.

CM. Perez, commented that they need to start allocating the Category 7 dollars as quickly as possible.

Judge Tijerina, commented that it is important for them to use the monies, in order to ask for more. He further commented that these are the types of projects TxDOT like to see that are shovel ready.

Mr. Mendive, stated that they request came in through Webb County and the RMA, he also stated that in order to make it work they added the estimate of 2034, know that they would get at least another $8.1 million to make the funding work. He further stated that the UTP was about to start being developed for the next 10 years which would be FY 2024 through FY 2034 so it works with the monies they have and it doesn't affect the other projects for Category 7 like Hachar-Reuthinger. Mr. Mendive also stated that he liked to incorporate the River Road through the MTP since they have also awarded the contract to start that MTP their long-range plan and start looking at the funding that will be available through 2050 to start programing that.

CM. Galo, asked why is there one that has the construction phase date of FY 2033.

Mr. Garza, stated that they have 10 years to program projects and be given an AFA by TxDOT. He also stated that all the years are committed so they had to go to FY 2033, but they are looking to complete it before that time.

Judge Tijerina, stated that CM. Gonzalez is in support of programing of Category 7 funds for the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project and the Vallecillo Road Project.

E. Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-12 supporting the functional classification of Hachar-Reuthinger Road (SH 84), a new roadway location, as "Other Principal Arterial".

CM. Galo, made a motion to approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-12 supporting the functional classification of Hachar-Reuthinger Road (SH 84), a new roadway location, as "Other Principal Arterial".

Second:	Judge Tijerina
For:	7
Against:	0
Abstained:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mendive, stated that this Resolution is a requirement since it is a new construction of a roadway that needs to be functionally classified before the letting date in order to get the Federal approval. He commented that the Mangana-Hein project was already Functionally Classified as an Arterial for Federal purposes. He also mentioned that since Hachar-Reuthinger is a new roadway it needs to have that Functional Classification prior to letting. He stated, that part of the process was getting a Resolution from the Policy Committee and that they are working with TxDOT District to forward it to the State Planning team to forward it to FHWA.

CM. Perez, asked to confirm with the City of Laredo Planning Director if the Roadway was already classified as a Principal Arterial.

Mr. Orlando Navarro, COL Planning Director, stated that the City's classification is different from the Federal Classification.

F. Discussion with possible action on the Hachar-Reuthinger Road project.

CM. Perez, stated that they have been meeting with Representative Raymond every two weeks for the last six weeks.

Ramon Chavez, COL Engineer, stated that he had the latest update on the Hachar-Reuthiner Road project, he stated they had been working with TxDOT, and they were waiting on TxDOT to receive the final approval for the draft offer letters in order for them to send them out.

CM. Perez, asked if there was a reappraisal need on parcel 2.

Mr. Chavez, stated that it hadn't happened yet, that they were waiting on the utility company to send them the estimate so they could amend the appraisal. He further stated that they have 6 of the 8 parcels offer letters ready to be send out.

CM. Perez, commented that the problem with parcel 2 was that it's a huge portion of the total roadway so in order to move forward they need to acquire parcel 2.

CM. Galo, asked who the owner of parcel 2 was.

Mr. Chavez, answered that it was in the Hachar trust. He stated that it is an abandoned gas line that had to be removed, he further stated that they were just waiting for the estimate in order to amend the appraisal.

CM. Galo, asked what kind of gas line it was.

Mr. Chavez, stated that it was a 10-inch enterprise gas line that is abandoned and it is not within easement. Mr. Chavez, continued by stating that the next one was parcel 6 which there was an issue with the language. He further stated that 7 of the 8 parcels will be sent out the following day.

Ms. Ana Duncan, TxDOT, stated that the letters have to be reviewed and approved by TxDOT, so they were just pending that information. She further stated that the information for 6 of the 8 parcels had already been received. She also stated that the City had been waiting on title commitments and until they received all that information they had not submitted anything to TxDOT. She further stated they there were some issues in respect to language that the City wanted to include in the offer letters.

CM. Perez, stated that in order to get into details on that matter it would be best to go into Executive Session to discuss it. She further stated that they were trying to get everything done by December in order to keep the same letting date of May 2024.

V. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required).

A. Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

Mr. Jed Brown, RMA presented the following report:

WC-CL RMA October 2023 Status Report to LWCAMPO

1. **FM 1472 and Killam Industrial Blvd. Turn Lanes** – Project is pending final walk-through, and TDLR inspection and final Close-out Construction Change Order. Project is 99+% complete.
2. **Springfield Phase III** – Project is complete. Ribbon cutting held on August 8, 2023. Final Invoice received.
3. **Webb County Fair Grounds TIA** – The TIA report is complete. The WC-CL RMA (RMA) stands ready to provide a presentation to the County at their request.
4. **River Road Corridor Study** – The study is complete. The study's findings were presented to the MPO Policy Committee at the June meeting and to City of Laredo City Council on August 7, 2023.
5. **Vision Zero Webb Laredo Action Plan** – Development of the Action Plan began in September 2023. Activities performed in September include mobilizing the team, data collection, and some preliminary analysis. Activities anticipated for October include assembling action team and advisory committee and preparing project website. Analysis and initial committee meetings will begin through the end of the year, with the first public engagement occurring in February 2024.
6. **Vallecillo Road** – Data collection operations are ongoing. Currently, survey flight operations have completed, and field survey crews will be returning in November for final data collection. Existing utilities data collection is ongoing. ROW survey collection will commence is October. Field utility data collection will commence in November. The utility coordination will commence with the City Utility Coordination Committee in November. The RMA is projecting a Fall 2025 Letting of the project. As the project sponsor, the executed Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) is solely between the TxDOT Laredo District and the RMA. Per the details of the AFA, the RMA is financially responsible for items beyond the RMA's committed $5,363,964 (Category 12 Strategic Partnership monies). It should also be noted that the RMA invested $335,990.08 in VRF monies for financial planning and preliminary engineering on Vallecillo Road for the purpose of obtaining funding for the implementation of the project.
7. **Concord Hills (Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur to Los Presidentes**) – The RMA will sponsor and lead the design and construction of a new location 1.3 mile, 2-lane minor arterial roadway extension from Los Presidentes to Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur within a nominal ROW width of 90' in partnership with the City. The RMA has committed $1 million to the development of the project. The project will provide a parallel route to Cuatro Vientos and provide additional access to the new Laredo Sports Complex and the Municipal Water Park. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement (ILA) between the City and

the RMA. The RMA is working with the City to finalize the construction cost estimate for the project and complete the ILA for the project.

8. **Springfield Phase I, II, and IV** – Similar to Springfield Phase III, the RMA has committed up to $1 million to the City to assist with the funding of the construction of the next Phase of the project. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement between the City and the RMA. The RMA is working with the City to finalize the construction cost estimate for the project and complete the Inter Local Agreement for the project.
9. The WCCL RMA hosted a TRZ workshop on July 19, 2023, to review the TRZ study and implementation process with the City. A second workshop was conducted on 8/28/23. The RMA is awaiting execution of the ILA with the City to commence the North Laredo TRZ Study. Concurrently, the City is considering implementing the Cuatro Vientos TRZ.
10. Other Items:
    - RMA will have their next board meeting on October 24, 2023.

B. Update by TxDOT on the US 59 Feasibility Study

Roberto Rodriguez, TxDOT, gave a presentation on the US59 Feasibility Study. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they had a Stakeholder meeting on September 21st, and that hey were going to have a public meeting the following day. He stated that during that Stakeholders meeting they had several members form the City of Laredo, the MPO, the Webb County and property owners. He continued by giving a brief summary of what it was covered and the purpose of the workshop. He stated that it was to provide information on the study, to engage stakeholders and gather their input on the proposed concepts and analysis, and to discuss strategies to engage those most potentially impacted. He stated that the purpose of the study was to enhance regional mobility connectivity and safety, also to accommodate the future growth and to support economic development to facilitate the freight movement in Laredo.

Mr. Rodriguez showed a segment of US 59 that had a 6-lane road with main lanes and then it went to 2 lanes one in each direction. He stated what was proposed with that project was the Eastbound and Westbound frontage roads, making it 4-lane divided and mentioned that in the future the state would build the middle lanes or what they call the main lanes of a freeway. Mr. Rodriguez, also stated that in Fall 2022 there were initially 46 freeway concepts developed, and by Spring 2023 of the 46 only 13 were chosen for detail evaluation. He continued stating that by Summer 2023 they had the concept that included the substantial residential or business displacement, the routing of freight traffic too far away from the existing US 59, in Fall 2023 they narrowed it down to 4 concepts and the No-Build concept for future evaluation. He also stated that the consultant was still compiling some of the comments they got from the Stakeholders meeting. He presented a time line of the steps they were taking. He also presented the public notice that was published about the meeting they were having the following day.

CM. Perez, asked if Mr. Rodriguez could provide a link for the meeting.

Mr. Rodriguez, stated that they can find the link at TxDOT.gov and search US 59 feasibility study virtual public meeting, they would find the videos and the comment forms by the following day after 5:00 PM.

VI. DIRECTOR's COMMENTS

Mr. Mendive, presented the following Director's comments:

1. MPO planners will be attending two upcoming conferences: Esri Gulf Coast User Conference to learn more about best practices in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and the American Planning Association (APA) State Conference.

2. MPO staff continues to collaborate and coordinate with TxDOT Laredo District and sponsors of Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA – Category 9) funded projects to support project delivery. We anticipate issuing another TASA Call for Projects in 2024.

3. MPO staff is in the process of updating the Congestion Management Process (CMP) as per 23 CFR 450.322. We will be working with our Technical Committee and engaging stakeholders to update our CMP network and identify congestion management strategies.

4. Upcoming regularly scheduled meetings:

    - Active Transportation Committee – October 25, 2023
    - Technical Committee – November 7, 2023
    - Policy Committee – November 15, 2023

5. We will likely not have a Policy Committee meeting in December unless necessary.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Judge Tijerina, made a motion to **adjourn** the meeting at 2:54 PM.

Second:	CM. Perez
For:	7
Against:	0
Abstained:	0

Motion carried unanimously.

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Juan S. Mendive, AICP
LWCAMPO Director

Webb County Judge Tano E. Tijerina
LWCAMPO Chairperson

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Item IV.B.

Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-13, adopting the proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

LAREDO & WEBB COUNTY AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
ACTION ITEM

DATE: 11-15-23	**ITEM:** IV.B
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-13, adopting the proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).	
INITIATED BY: Staff	**STAFF SOURCE:** Juan S. Mendive, MPO Director

PREVIOUS ACTION:
On January 21, 2020, the Policy Committee adopted the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The Policy Committee approved Revision #1 on April, 20, 2020, Revision #2 was approved on June 15, 2020. Revision #3 was approved on February 22, 2021. Revision #4 was an administrative modification on April 19, 2021. Revision # 5 was approved on February 8, 2022. On October 19, 2022, the Policy Committee approved Revision # 6 through Resolution No. MPO 2022-09. On January 18, 2023, the Policy Committee approved Revision #7 through Resolution No. MPO 2023-02. On July 19, 2023, the Policy Committee approved Revision #9 through Resolution No. MPO 2023-09.

On October 18, 2023 the MPO Policy Committee approved a motion to receive public testimony and initiate a 10-day public review and comment period for the proposed revisions.

BACKGROUND:
Metropolitan Planning Organizations are required to develop and update the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for their respective metropolitan area covering a planning horizon of at least 20 years. The Laredo Metropolitan Transportation Plan is an official, comprehensive, intermodal transportation plan developed and adopted for the metropolitan planning area. The 2020-2045 MTP identifies the existing and future transportation needs and develops coordinated strategies to provide the necessary transportation facilities essential for the continued mobility and economic vitality of the region.

On October 18, 2023, the MPO Policy Committee approved the programming of Category 7 funds for the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project and Vallecillo road Project, and initiated a 10-day comment period to the include the following proposed programming revisions to the 2020-2045 MTP:

1. Addition of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 1 ROW/ preliminary engineering phase in FY 2025 with an estimated project cost of $926,980. Category 7 funds in the amount of $100,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

2. Addition of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 2 ROW/ preliminary engineering phase in FY 2025 with an estimated project cost of $1,012,816. Category 7 funds in the amount of $100,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

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ACTION ITEM

3. Addition of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 1 Construction Phase in FY 2033 with an estimated project cost of $13,562,500. Category 7 funds in the amount of $13,562,500 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

4. Addition of the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion Project Segment 2 Construction Phase in FY 2034 with an estimated project cost of $7,160,000. Category 7 funds in the amount of $7,160,000 are proposed for this project phase. The project sponsor is Webb County.

5. Programming of an additional $1,312,592 in Category 7 funds for the Vallecillo Road Project intended to provide for the construction of a new 4 lane [off-system] highway with a continuous turn lane. The project sponsor is the Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority and the proposed letting date is FY 2026.

The proposed revision is intended to add the Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion project ROW/preliminary engineering and construction phases while programming Category 7 funds for the project. Additionally, the proposed revision intends to program an additional $1,312,592 for the Vallecillo Road Project (CSJ 0922-33-205), which is currently listed on both the MTP and the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The proposed Category 7 funding amounts include the 80% federal share and 20% local match requirement.

No public comments were received during the 10-day public and review period for the proposed revisions.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:	**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**:
The Technical Committee recommends approval.	Staff recommends approval.

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MTP Revision Summary

CSJ	PROJECT NAME	SCOPE	FROM	TO	PROJECT SPONSOR	YEAR	YOE COST	CAT 7 REQUEST
Pending	Mangana Hein Roadway Expansion Segment 1 ROW	PE/ROW Phase for Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion	2.43 mi. East of SH20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	SH 20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	Webb County	FY2025	$926,980	$100,000
Pending	Mangana Hein Roadway Expansion Segment 2 ROW	ROW Phase for Mangana-Hein Roadway Expansion	SH 20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	US83	Webb County	FY2025	$1,012,816	$100,000
0922-33-205	Vallecillo Road	Construction of new 4 lane [off-system] highway with continuous turn lane	FM 1472	IH 35	RMA	FY2026	$35,280,000	*Additional* $1,312,592
Pending	Mangana Hein Roadway Expansion Segment 1 Construction	Widen Mangana-Hein Roadway from 2 lanes to 4 lanes	2.43 mi. East of SH20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	SH 20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	Webb County	FY2033	$13,562,500	$13,562,500
Pending	Mangana Hein Roadway Expansion Segment 2 Construction	Widen Mangana-Hein Roadway from 2 lanes to 4 lanes	SH 20 (Cuatro Vientos Blvd.)	US83	Webb County	FY2034	$7,160,000	$7,160,000

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RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2023-13

BY THE LAREDO WEBB COUNTY AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE

ADOPTING THE REVISION(S) OF THE
2020-2045 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)

WHEREAS, the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO) has reviewed the proposed revision(s) of the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and,

WHEREAS, the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO) finds that the proposed revision(s) of the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) meet the high priority improvements necessary for the LWCAMPO area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO), has adopted the proposed revisions of the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purpose:

We certify that the above resolution was adopted on November 15th, 2023, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO).

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Honorable Tano E. Tijerina
Webb County Judge and Chairperson of the
LWCAMPO Policy Committee

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Juan S. Mendive, AICP
MPO Director

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Epigmenio "Epi" Gonzalez, P.E.
Laredo District Engineer

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Item IV.C.

Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed amendment(s) to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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ACTION ITEM

DATE: 11-15-23	**ITEM:** IV.C
SUBJECT: MOTION Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed amendment(s) to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).	
INITIATED BY: Staff	**STAFF SOURCE:** Juan S. Mendive, MPO Director
PREVIOUS ACTION: The MPO Policy Committee approved Resolution No. MPO 2022-05 adopting the 2023-2026 TIP on May 18, 2022. The first formal revision to the 2023-2026 TIP was approved on October 19, 2022 through Resolution No. MPO 2022-08. A second revision to the 2023-2026 TIP was approved on January 18, 2023 through Resolution No. MPO 2023-01. A third revision to the 2023-2026 TIP was approved on July 19, 2023 through Resolution MPO 2023-08.	
BACKGROUND: The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a federally required document which MPO's develop in cooperation with all their planning partners to program mobility and transit projects for a four-year period. On May 18th, 2022, the MPO Policy Committee approved the Laredo MPO 2023-2026 TIP. All MPO TIP documents are subsequently combined to form the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Revisions to the TIP involving major changes require a public review and comment period and formal action by the MPO Policy Committee. In coordination with TxDOT, the following amendments are proposed: 1. ***Revision*** of project CSJ 0018-05-089 for the Replacement of bridge structure at Uniroyal Dr. ***Purpose*** of the amendment is to revise the project limits and the project description. The revised project limits are from 0.47 miles South of Uniroyal interchange to 3.22 miles North of Uniroyal interchange. The revised project description shall read: IH-35 overpass (reconstructed/new) at Uniroyal Dr. and SH 84. 2. ***Revision*** of project CSJ 0086-16-008 to Construct overpass at Lomas Del Sur Blvd. ***Purpose*** of the amendment is to revise the project limits and project description. The revised project limits are from 0.58 miles South of Lomas del Sur Blvd. to 0.721 miles North of Lomas Del Sur Blvd. The revised project description shall read: Construction of interchange improvement at Lomas Del Sur Blvd. 3. ***Revision*** of project CSJ 0086-14-086 for the reconstruction of US 59 (Loop 20). ***Purpose*** of the amendment is to revise the project limits and project description. The revised project limits are from Business 59 to 0.28 miles South of Jacaman Rd. The revised project description shall read: Converting a 6-lane non-freeway facility to a 6-lane freeway facility with auxiliary lanes and frontage roads.	
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Technical Committee recommends approval.	**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**: Staff recommends approval.

Item IV.C

Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed amendment(s) to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

- The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a federally required document which MPO's develop in cooperation with all their planning partners to program mobility and transit projects for a four-year period.

- All MPO TIP documents are subsequently combined to form the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). TxDOT amends the STIP on a quarterly basis.

- Revisions to the TIP involving major changes require a public review and comment period and formal action by the MPO Policy Committee prior to being added to the STIP.

- Our MPO Public Participation Plan requires a 10-day public review and comment period for amendments to the TIP.

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In coordination with TxDOT, the following amendments are proposed:

1. **Revision** of project **CSJ 0018-05-089 - Replace Bridge at Uniroyal Dr.**

The purpose of the amendment is to revise the project description and project limits as follows:

CURRENT	REVISED
DESCRIPTION: Replacement of bridge structure at Uniroyal Dr.	DESCRIPTION: IH-35 overpass (reconstructed/new) at Uniroyal Dr. and SH 84.
LIMITS: From 0.5 mi. S. of Uniroyal interchange To 2.68 mi. N. of Uniroyal interchange.	LIMITS: From 0.47 miles South of Uniroyal interchange To 3.22 miles North of Uniroyal interchange.

In coordination with TxDOT, the following amendments are proposed:

2. **Revision** of project **CSJ 0086-16-008** - **SL 20 Interchange at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.**

The purpose of the amendment is to revise the project description and project limits as follows:

CURRENT	REVISED
DESCRIPTION: Construct overpass at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.	DESCRIPTION: Construction of interchange improvement at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.
LIMITS: From 0.1 miles south of Lomas Del Sur Blvd. To 0.1 miles north of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.	LIMITS: From 0.58 miles South of Lomas del Sur Blvd. To 0.721 miles North of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.

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In coordination with TxDOT, the following amendments are proposed:

3. Revision of project **CSJ 0086-14-086 - US 59 (Loop 20) Reconstruction**

The purpose of the amendment is to revise the project description and project limits as follows:

CURRENT	REVISED
DESCRIPTION: Reconstruction of existing 6 lane divided highway to proposed 6 lane freeway facility with a section including 3 lane frontage roads at US 59 to 0.4 mi. of airport	DESCRIPTION: Converting a 6-lane non-freeway facility to a 6-lane freeway facility with auxiliary lanes and frontage roads.
LIMITS: From US 59 To 0.4 mi North of E Corridor Rd.	LIMITS: From Business 59 To 0.28 miles South of Jacaman Rd.

CSJ 0018-05-089

District	MPO	County	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	Phase	City	YOE Cost
Laredo	Laredo	Webb	0018-05-089	2025	IH 35	C	Laredo	$ 165,921,714.00

Limits From: 0.47 MI S OF UNIROYAL INTERCHANGE
Limits To: 3.22 MI N OF UNIROYAL INTERCHANGE
Project DESCR: IH-35 OVERPASS(RECONSTRUCTED/NEW)@UNIROYAL DR & SH84
Remarks P7:

Project Sponsor
Revision Date
MPO Proj Num
Funding Cat(S) 12, 4
Project History

Authorized Funding By Category/Share

Category	Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contributions	Total
12	$ 80,737,371.20	$ 20,184,342.80	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 100,921,714.00
4	$ 52,000,000.00	$ 13,000,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 65,000,000.00
Total	$ 132,737,371.20	$ 33,184,342.80	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 165,921,714.00

Total Project Cost Information

Prelim Eng	$ 8,130,164.00
ROW Purch	$ -
Const Cost	$ 165,921,714.00
Const Eng	$ 9,341,393.00
Conting	$ 846,201.00
Indirect	$ -
Bond Fin	$ -
Pt Chg Ord	$ 4,795,138.00
Total Cost	$ 189,034,610.00

CSJ 0086-16-008

District	MPO	County	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	Phase	City	YOE Cost
Laredo	Laredo	Webb	0086-16-008	2025	SL 20	C	Laredo	$ 41,565,320.00

Limits From: 0.580 MILES SOUTH OF LOMAS DEL SUR BLVD
Limits To: 0.721 MILES NORTH OF LOMAS DEL SUR BLVD
Project DESCR: CONSTRUCTION OF INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT AT LOMAS DEL SUR BLVD
Remarks P7:

Project Sponsor	TxDOT
Revision Date	02/2023
MPO Proj Num	SL 20 Interchange at Lomas Del Sur Blvd
Funding Cat(S)	2, 7
Project History	

Authorized Funding By Category/Share

Category	Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contributions	Total
2	$ 27,628,026.40	$ 6,907,006.60	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 34,535,033.00
7	$ 5,624,229.60	$ 1,406,057.40	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 7,030,287.00
Total	$ 33,252,256.00	$ 8,313,064.00	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 41,565,320.00

Total Project Cost Information

Prelim Eng	$ 2,220,993.60
ROW Purch	$ -
Const Cost	$ 41,565,320.00
Const Eng	$ 2,637,996.48
Conting	$ -
Indirect	$ 1,314,465.60
Bond Fin	$ -
Pt Chg Ord	$ -
Total Cost	$ 47,738,775.68

CSJ 0086-14-086

District	MPO	County	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	Phase	City	YOE Cost
Laredo	Laredo	Webb	0086-14-086	2026	US 59	C	Laredo	$ 76,790,768.00

Limits From: BUSINESS 59
Limits To: 0.28 MILES SOUTH OF JACAMAN RD
Project DESCR: CONVERTING A 6-LANE NON-FREEWAY FACILITY TO A 6-LANE FREEWAY FACILITY WITH AUXILIARY LANES AND FRONTAGE ROADS
Remarks P7:

Project Sponsor
Revision Date
MPO Proj Num
Funding Cat(S) 12,1
Project History

Authorized Funding By Category/Share

Category	Federal	State	Regional	Local	Local Contributions	Total
12	$ 46,232,613.60	$ 11,558,153.40	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 57,790,767.00
1	$ 15,200,000.80	$ 3,800,000.20	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 19,000,001.00
Total	$ 61,432,614.40	$ 15,358,153.60	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 76,790,768.00

Total Project Cost Information

Prelim Eng	$ 3,762,748.00
ROW Purch	$ 48,377,844.00
Const Cost	$ 76,790,768.00
Const Eng	$ 2,672,319.00
Conting	$ 92,149.00
Indirect	$ -
Bond Fin	$ -
Pt Chg Ord	$ 5,551,973.00
Total Cost	$ 137,247,801.00

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FY 2023 - 2026 Transportation Improvement Program
February - 2023 Revision

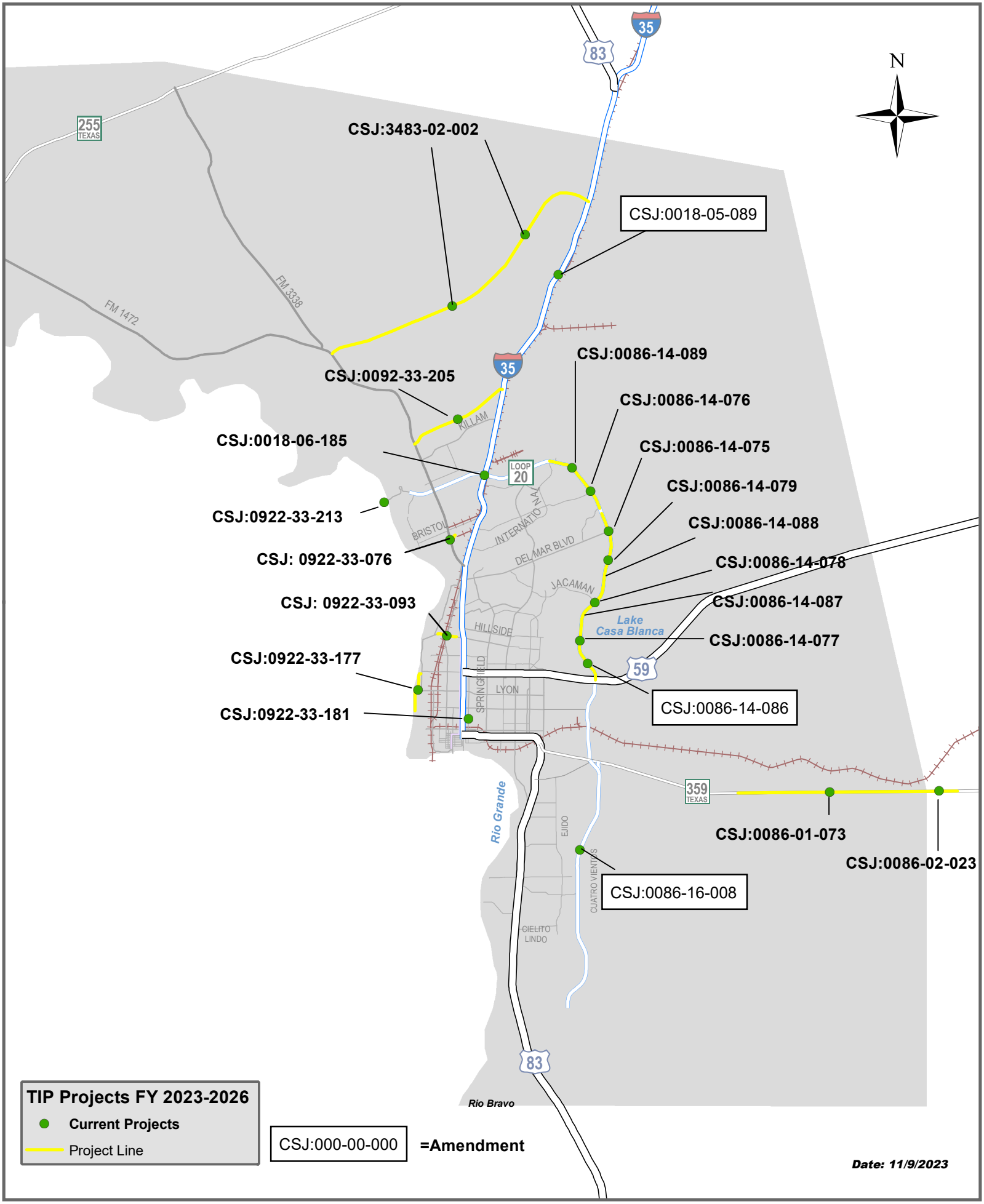
Funding by Category

		FY 2023		FY 2024		FY 2025		FY 2026		Total FY 2023 - 2026	
Category	Description	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized
1	Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitation	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$32,000,002	$32,000,002	$32,000,002	$32,000,002
2	Urban Area (Non- TMA) Corridor Projects	$108,141,424	$108,141,424	$15,188,067	$15,188,067	$34,535,033	$34,535,033	$12,355,990	$12,355,990	$170,220,514	$170,220,514
3	Non-Traditionally Funded Transportation Project	$0	$0	$10,750,000	$10,750,000	$0	$0	$14,780,000	$14,780,000	$25,530,000	$25,530,000
4	Statewide Connectivity Corridor Projects	$0	$0	$32,488,674	$32,488,674	$65,000,000	$65,000,000	$0	$0	$97,488,674	$97,488,674
5	CMAQ	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
6	Structures	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
7	Metro Mobility & Rehab	$0	$0	$101,250,000	$101,250,000	$7,030,287	$7,030,287	$16,500,000	$16,500,000	$124,780,287	$124,780,287
8	Safety	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
9	TAP / TASA	$0	$0	$0	$0	$696,850	$696,850	$0	$0	$696,850	$696,850
10	Supplemental Transportation	$0	$0	$0	$0	$18,040,154	$18,040,154	$0	$0	$18,040,154	$18,040,154
10 CBI	Corridor Border	$43,502,580	$43,502,580	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$43,502,580	$43,502,580
11	District Discretionary	$1,500,000	$1,500,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$1,500,000	$1,500,000
11	Rider 11B	$26,000,000	$26,000,000	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$26,000,000	$26,000,000
12	Strategic Priority	$70,342,567	$70,342,567	$0	$0	$100,921,714	$100,921,714	$126,936,598	$126,936,598	$298,200,879	$298,200,879
SBPE	Strategy Budget PE	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
SB 102	Strategy 102	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
	Total	$249,486,571	$249,486,571	$159,676,741	$159,676,741	$226,224,038	$226,224,038	$202,572,590	$202,572,590	$837,959,940	$837,959,940

Funding Participation Source

Source	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	Total FY 23-26
Federal	$199,589,257	$119,609,780	$181,965,326	$150,234,072	$651,398,435
State	$49,897,314	$29,066,961	$41,497,407	$34,258,518	$154,720,200
Local Match	$0	$250,000	$2,761,305	$3,300,000	$6,311,305
CAT 3 - Local Contributions (LC)	$0	$10,750,000	$0	$14,780,000	$25,530,000
CAT 3 - Prop 1	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CAT 3 - Prop 12	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CAT 3 - Prop 14 Bonds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CAT 3 - Texas Mobility Fund	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
CAT 3 - TDC	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Other - Strategy PE Budget	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Other - Strategy 102 Budget	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total	$249,486,571	$159,676,741	$226,224,038	$202,572,590	$837,959,940

2023-2026 TIP REVISION #4
LOCATIONS OF PROJECTS



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Item IV.D.

A. Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the following proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

1. ***Revision*** of *Appendix A – Short range Projects Identified in the MTP and Listed in the TIP* as necessary to incorporate and reflect the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP.

LAREDO & WEBB COUNTY AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
ACTION ITEM

DATE: 11-15-23	**ITEM:** IV.D

SUBJECT: MOTION

Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

- ***Revision*** of *Appendix A – Short range Projects Identified in the MTP and Listed in the TIP* as necessary to incorporate and reflect the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP.

INITIATED BY:	**STAFF SOURCE:**
Staff	Juan S. Mendive, MPO Director

PREVIOUS ACTION:

On January 21, 2020, the Policy Committee adopted the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The Policy Committee approved Revision #1 on April, 20, 2020, Revision #2 was approved on June 15, 2020. Revision #3 was approved on February 22, 2021. Revision #4 was an administrative modification on April 19, 2021. Revision # 5 was approved on February 8, 2022. On October 19, 2022, the Policy Committee approved Revision # 6 through Resolution No. MPO 2022-09. On January 18, 2023, the Policy Committee approved Revision #7 through Resolution No. MPO 2023-02. On July 19, 2023, the Policy Committee approved Revision #8 through Resolution MPO 2023-09.

BACKGROUND:

Metropolitan Planning Organizations are required to develop and update the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for their respective metropolitan area covering a planning horizon of at least 20 years. The Laredo Metropolitan Transportation Plan is an official, comprehensive, intermodal transportation plan developed and adopted for the metropolitan planning area. The 2020-2045 MTP identifies the existing and future transportation needs and develops coordinated strategies to provide the necessary transportation facilities essential for the continued mobility and economic vitality of the region.

Projects included in the MPO's Transportation Improvement Program shall be consistent with the approved Metropolitan Transportation Plan. On April 19, 2021, an administrative modification to the MTP added ***Appendix A – Short Range Projects Identified in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)*** to facilitate the identification of projects on both the TIP and the MTP, and to ensure consistency between both documents.

The proposed revision is intended to make the necessary changes to the MTP, specifically ***Appendix A – Short Range Projects Identified in the MTP and Listed in the TIP*** to incorporate and reflect the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:	**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**:
The Technical Committee recommends approval.	Staff recommends approval.

Item IV.D

Receive public testimony and initiate a (10) ten-day public review and comment period for the following proposed revision(s) to the 2020-2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP):

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Our Public Participation Plan (PPP) requires a 10-day public review and comment period for amendments to the MTP.

1. Revision of Appendix A – Short range Projects Identified in the MTP and Listed in the TIP as necessary to incorporate and reflect the proposed revisions to the 2023-2026 TIP.

FY 2025								
1	0018-05-089	Replace Bridge at Uniroyal Dr.	*IH-35 Overpass (Reconstructed/New) @ Uniroyal Dr. & SH 84*	*0.47 miles South of Uniroyal interchange*	*3.22 miles North of Uniroyal interchange*	TxDOT	12, 4	$165,921,714
2	0086-16-008	SL 20 Interchange at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.	*Construction of interchange improvement at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	*0.58 miles South of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	*0.721 miles North of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	TxDOT	2, 7	$41,565,320
3	0922-33-076	FM1472 / Flecha Lane	Realingment of Flecha Ln. and Las Cruces Blvd.	Intersection of FM 1472 and Flecha Ln.	0.174 miles east of FM 1472	City	10	$1,800,000
4	0922-33-093	Calton and San Maria Interchange	Construction of a grade separation interchange	0.25 m east of Calton/San Maria intersection	0.25 m west of Calton/San Maria Intersection	City	10	$16,240,154
5	0922-33-177	River Vega Trail	Construct hike & bike trail	Anna Park	LCC Campus	City	9-TAP	$696,850
							5 PROJECTS FOR FY2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF:	**$226,224,038**
FY 2026								
1	0018-06-185	Direct Connector #3 and # 6	New Direct Connector (#3 and # 6) northbound and southbound IH 35 to US59 eastbound	0.5 mi east of IH35	0.5 mi north of US 59	TxDOT	12, 1	$54,505,335
2	0922-33-205	Vallecillo Road	Construction of new 4 lane [off-system] highway with continuous turn lane	FM 1472	IH 35	RMA	7, 3LC, 12	$35,280,000
3	0086-14-077	US 59 (Loop 20) Interchange at Airport	Construction of interchange at Airport	0.500 mi South of E Corridor Rd (Airport).	0.50 mi North of E Corridor Rd (Airport).	TxDOT	2M, 12	$35,996,487
4	0086-14-086	US 59 (Loop 20) Reconstruction	*Converting a 6-lane non-freeway facility to a 6-lane freeway facility with auxiliary lanes and frontage roads*	*Business 59*	*0.28 miles South of Jacaman Rd.*	TxDOT	12, 1	$76,790,768
							4 PROJECTS FOR FY2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF:	**$202,572,590**

Laredo Webb County Area MPO (Appendix A)

Short Range Projects Identified in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

FY2023 - FY2026

	CSJ	PROJECT NAME	SCOPE	FROM	TO	PROJECT SPONSOR	CATEGORY	YOE COST
FY 2023								
1	0086-01-073	SH 359 Widening	Widen roadway from 3-lane to 5-lane undivided Highway	4.06 miles E of SL 20	8.935 miles E of SL 20	TxDOT	11, 12	$25,000,000
2	0086-02-023	SH 359 Widening	Widen roadway from 2-lane to 4-lane divided highway	8.935 miles E of SL 20	9.830 miles E of SL 20	TxDOT	11	$6,000,000
3	0086-14-088	US 59 (Loop 20) Reconstruction	Reconstruction of existing 6- lane divided highway to proposed 6-lane freeway facility with 3-lane frontage roads at University Blvd. to Shiloh Dr.	0.36 mi South of University Blvd	0.51 mi South of Shiloh Dr.	TxDOT	2U, 10, 11,	$45,394,778
4	0086-14-076	US 59 (Loop 20) Interchange at Shiloh Dr.	Construction of interchange at Shiloh Dr.	0.50 mi S of Shiloh Dr.	0.50 mi N of Shiloh Dr.	TxDOT	2M, 10	$31,856,549
5	0086-14-089	US 59 (Loop 20) Reconstruction	Reconstruction of existing 6- lane highway to proposed 6- lane freeway with3-lane frontage roads	0.51 mi South of Shiloh	International Blvd.	TxDOT	2U, 10, 11	$38,390,491
6	0086-14-079	US 59 (Loop 20) Interchange at University Blvd.	Construction of Interchange at University Blvd.	0.50 mi s of University Blvd.	0.50 mi n of University Blvd.	TxDOT	2M, 10	$19,364,639
7	0086-14-075	US 59 (Loop 20) Interchange at Del Mar	Construction of Interchange at Del Mar Blvd.	0.50 mi South of Del Mar Blvd.	0.50 mi North of Del Mar Blvd.	TxDOT	2M, 10	$28,446,123
						7 PROJECTS FOR FY2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF:		**$194,452,580**
FY 2024								
1	0922-33-213	World Trade Bridge Expansion	Preliminary engineering and construction for the expansion of the World Trade Bridge consisting of 8 lanes by building a new 8 lane bridge adjacent to the existing bridge for a total of 16 lanes after completion of the project.	World Trade Bridge		City	7, 3LC	$12,000,000
2	0086-14-087	US 59 (Loop 20) Reconstruction	Reconstruction of existing 6- lane highway to proposed 6- lane freeway facility with3- lane frontage roads at 0.4 mi N of airport to University Blvd.	0.4 mi North of E Corridor Rd (Airport).	0.36 mi South of University Blvd.	TxDOT	12	$30,600,000
3	0086-14-078	US 59 (Loop 20) Interchange at Jacaman Rd.	Construction of interchange at Jacaman Rd.	0.50 mi s of Jacaman Rd	0.50 mi n of Jacaman Rd	TxDOT	12, 2M	$24,433,991
4	3483-02-002	SH 84 (Hachar-Reuthinger Road)	New location construction of 4-lane divided highway	FM 1472	IH 35 West Frontage road	City	7, 4, 2	$147,676,741
						4 PROJECTS FOR FY2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF:		**$214,710,732**
FY 2025								
1	0018-05-089	Replace Bridge at Uniroyal Dr.	*IH-35 Overpass (Reconstructed/New) @ Uniroyal Dr. & SH 84*	*0.47 miles South of Uniroyal interchange*	*3.22 miles North of Uniroyal interchange*	TxDOT	12, 4	$165,921,714
2	0086-16-008	SL 20 Interchange at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.	*Construction of interchange improvement at Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	*0.58 miles South of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	*0.721 miles North of Lomas Del Sur Blvd.*	TxDOT	2, 7	$41,565,320
3	0922-33-076	FM1472 / Flecha Lane	Realingment of Flecha Ln. and Las Cruces Blvd.	Intersection of FM 1472 and Flecha Ln.	0.174 miles east of FM 1472	City	10	$1,800,000
4	0922-33-093	Calton and San Maria Interchange	Construction of a grade separation interchange	0.25 m east of Calton/San Maria intersection	0.25 m west of Calton/San Maria Intersection	City	10	$16,240,154
5	0922-33-177	River Vega Trail	Construct hike & bike trail	Anna Park	LCC Campus	City	9-TAP	$696,850
						5 PROJECTS FOR FY2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF:		**$226,224,038**
FY 2026								
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						4 PROJECTS FOR FY2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF:		**$202,572,590**
						TOTAL OF 20 PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF:		**$837,959,940**

Funding Category Types

CAT 1: Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitaion
CAT 2: Metropolitan and Urban Corridor Projects
CAT 3: Non-Traditionally Funded Transportatin Projects - includes state bond funds, proposition 12 or 14, etc.
CAT 4: Statewide Connectivity Corridor Projects (Urban Connectivity)
CAT 7: Metropolitan Mobility and Rehabilitation
CAT 9: Transporation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TASA)
CAT 10: Supplemental Transportation Programs
CAT 11: District Discretionary
CAT 12: Strategic Priority - addresses project with priority to State
Prop 1: Propostion 1: Effective in 2015 Highway Trust Fund allocation from gas tax revenue
Prop 7: Proposition 7 : MPO allocations from formula funds diverted from state general sales, use tax, vehicle sales, and rental tax

Updated by GSB on 11-02-23

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AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Item IV.E.

Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-14 supporting the functional classification (FC) of Vallecillo Road, a new location roadway, as "Other Principal Arterial".

LAREDO & WEBB COUNTY AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
ACTION ITEM

DATE: 11-15-2023	**ITEM:** IV.E
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION Discussion with possible action to approve Resolution No. MPO 2023-14 supporting the functional classification (FC) of Vallecillo Road, a new location roadway, as "Other Principal Arterial".	
INITIATED BY: Staff	**STAFF SOURCE:** Juan S. Mendive, MPO Director
PREVIOUS POLICY ACTION: None	

BACKGROUND:

The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 required the use of FC to update and modify the federal-aid highway system, a requirement that is still effective today. Under federal statutes and regulations, state transportation agencies have the primary responsibility for designating and updating public roadway FC in rural and urban areas to clearly define the role each element of the roadway network plays in serving various travel needs. The use of FC determines eligibility for federal funding.

This is a request from the Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) to classify the Vallecillo Road as "Other Principal Arterial" located in Webb County as a 3.2 mile east-west roadway about a mile and a half north of Interstate 69W (IH-69W) aligned with A.F. Muller Boulevard, directly connecting FM 1472 with IH-35. The project includes a continuous 150' wide right-of-way for future expansion and located in an area where continued industrial growth and development is expected. The Vallecillo Road is listed in the City of Laredo Long-Range Thoroughfare Plan as a "Principal Arterial-Proposed".

As a result, the Laredo MPO staff is recommending approval from the MPO Technical Committee for the federal Functional Classification (FC) of Vallecillo Road as "Other Principal Arterial". The approved FC will be presented to the Laredo Webb County MPO Policy Committee for final approval. This FC will then be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation Planning and Programing (TPP) Division and to the U.S Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration for approval prior for letting for construction.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:	**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**:
The Technical Committee recommends approval.	Staff recommends approval.

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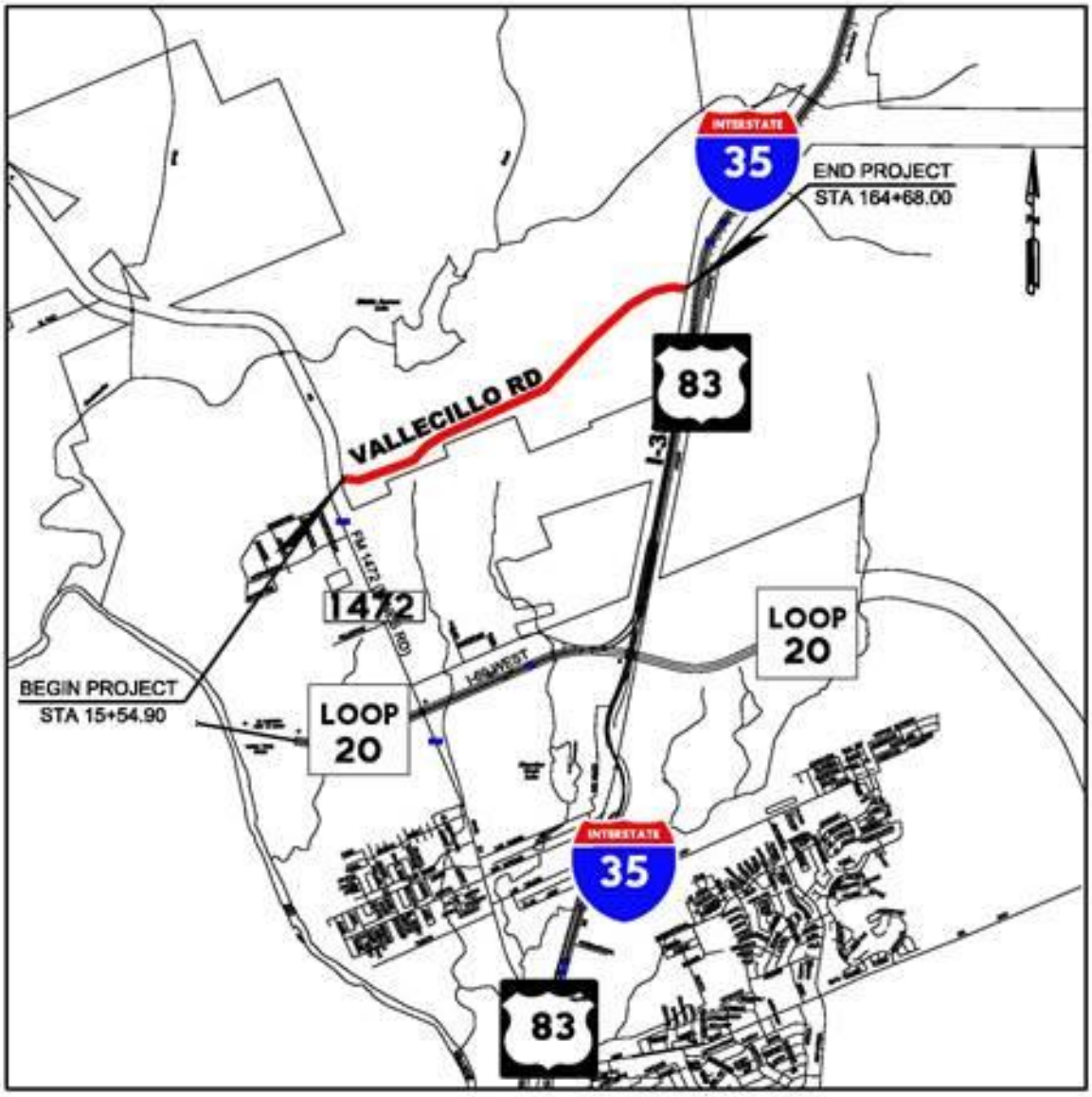
ACTION ITEM

NET LENGTH OF PROJECT = 14,918 FT = 2.83 MI
NET LENGTH OF ROADWAY = 14,918 FT = 2.83 MI



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AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2023-14

BY THE LAREDO AND WEBB COUNTY AREA
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE

SUPPORTING THE FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF VALLECILLO ROAD TO OTHER PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL.

WHEREAS, the Laredo Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO), is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, for the Laredo Urbanized Area; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 requires the use of Functional Classification (FC) to update and modify the federal-aid highway system; and,

WHEREAS, the MPO's are required to coordinate with TxDOT Districts for Functonal Classification requests; and,

WHEREAS, the Vallecillo Road project entails constructing a new four-lane divided highway, extending approximately 3.2 mile east-west roadway about a mile and a half north of Interstate 69W (IH-69W) aligned with A.F. Muller Boulevard, directly connecting FM1472 with Interstate 35; and,

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2023, the Webb-County Ciry of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority Board approved through a resolution number 23-17 that Vallecillo Road be desginated the functional classification of Vallecillo Raod as a Principal Arterial, and,

WHEREAS, the Vallecillo Raod is listed in the City of Laredo Long-Range Throrofare Plan as "Principal-Arterial-Proposed", and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Laredo and Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO), that:

Section 1: The Laredo and Webb County Area MPO hereby suppports and accepts the functional classification of Vallecillo Road as Other Principal Arterial.

Section 2: This request will be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation Planning and Programming (TPP) Division and to the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration for approval prior to letting of construction.

We certify that the above resolution was passed and adopted on this 15th day of November 2023, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo and Webb County Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (LWCAMPO).

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Honorable Tano E. Tijerina
Webb County Judge and Chairperson of the
LWCAMPO Policy Committee

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Juan S. Mendive, AICP	Epigmenio “Epi” Gonzalez, P.E.
MPO Director	TxDOT District Engineer

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Item IV.F.

Discussion with possible action on the traffic congestion issue at Unitec Industrial Park, and other matters incident thereto. (Requested by City of Laredo)

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Item IV.G.

Discussion with possible action on the Hachar-Reuthinger Road project.

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Item V.A.

Status report by the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

WC-CL RMA November 2023 Status Report to LWCAMPO

1. **FM 1472 and Killam Industrial Blvd. Turn Lanes** – Project is pending final walk-through, and TDLR inspection and final Close-out Construction Change Order. Project is 99+% complete.
2. **Vision Zero Webb Laredo Action Plan** – Development of the Action Plan began in September 2023. Activities performed in October included assembling action team and advisory committee and preparing project website. Note that the WC-CL RMA will provide a representative for the advisory committee from our Board of Directors. Analysis and initial committee meetings will begin through the end of the year, with the first public engagement occurring in February 2024. Completion of the study is anticipated for December 2024.
3. **Vallecillo Road** – Data collection operations are ongoing. Existing utilities data collection is ongoing. ROW survey collection is ongoing. The utility coordination will commence with the City Utility Coordination Committee this month. Preliminary survey data is now in hand and the design engineers have commenced the geometric development of the project. A draft schematic is anticipated for submittal to the Laredo District in January/ February 2024. The RMA is projecting a Fall 2025 Letting of the project.

   As the project sponsor, the executed Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) is solely between the TxDOT Laredo District and the RMA. Per the details of the AFA, the RMA is financially responsible for items beyond the RMA's committed $5,363,964 (Category 12 Strategic Partnership monies). It should also be noted that the RMA invested $335,990.08 in VRF monies for financial planning and preliminary engineering on Vallecillo Road for the purpose of obtaining funding for the implementation of the project.
4. **Concord Hills (Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur to Los Presidentes**) – The RMA will sponsor and lead the design and construction of a new location 1.3 mile, 2-lane minor arterial roadway extension from Los Presidentes to Wormser Road/ Lomas Del Sur within a nominal ROW width of 90' in partnership with the City. The RMA has committed $1 million to the development of the project. The project will provide a parallel route to Cuatro Vientos and provide additional access to the new Laredo Sports Complex and the Municipal Water Park. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement (ILA) between the City and the RMA. The RMA is working with the City to finalize the construction cost estimate for the project and complete the ILA for the project.
5. **Springfield Phase I, II, and IV** – Similar to Springfield Phase III, the RMA has committed up to $1 million to the City to assist with the funding of the construction of the next Phase of the project. The sponsorship and implementation are subject to the negotiation of an Inter Local Agreement between the City and the RMA. The RMA is working with the City to finalize the construction cost estimate for the project and complete the Inter Local Agreement for the project.
6. **North Laredo and Cuatro Vientos Transportation Reinvestment Zones (TRZ)** - The WC-CL RMA hosted a TRZ workshop on July 19, 2023, to review the TRZ study and implementation process with the City. A second workshop was conducted on 8/28/23. The RMA is awaiting execution of the ILA with the City to commence the North Laredo TRZ Study. Concurrently, the City is considering implementing the Cuatro Vientos TRZ.

7. Other Items:
    - RMA had a Board meeting on October 24, 2023. The RMA approved their FYE 2024 Budget.
    - RMA will have their next Board meeting on December on December 11, 2023.

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Item VI.

DIRECTOR's COMMENTS

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Director's Report
November 15, 2023

1. As part of the 2025 Unified Transportation Program (UTP) development, TxDOT Laredo District has requested the Technical Committee's participation to prioritize evaluation criteria as well as rate projects that will be considered for Category 2, 4, and 12 funding. The activity is being administered by TxDOT using the Decision Lens program. Results will be presented at the January Policy Committee with an opportunity for additional input from the committee.

2. Our FHWA representative, Kirk Fauver, will be visiting with MPO staff and our TxDOT field representative, Sara Garza, on November 21st to discuss updates on planning activities and upcoming studies.

3. The Association of Texas Metropolitan Planning Organizations (TEMPO) Directors Fall Meeting will be held in Austin, Texas on November 30th and December 1st.

4. We will not hold a Policy Committee meeting in December unless a special meeting is needed.

5. Upcoming regularly scheduled meetings:

   - Active Transportation Committee – November 29, 2023
   - Technical Committee – January 9, 2024
   - Policy Committee – January 17, 2024

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Item VII.

ADJOURNMENT