



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Robert Spillar, P.E., Director  
Austin Transportation Department

**DATE:** February 10, 2017

**SUBJECT:** **CAMPO Transportation Policy Board February 13, 2017 Meeting Agenda**

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The Transportation Policy Board (TPB) will hold its regular meeting on Monday, February 13, 2017, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Room 3.102 of the Joe C. Thompson Conference Center. The conference center is located on the University of Texas campus at 2405 Robert Dedman Drive. The final agenda and background materials are posted on the CAMPO website and can be accessed [here](#).

**Transportation Department staff is providing information and/or recommendations on the following agenda items:**

- **Action Item 6** – Discussion and Approval of the Walkability Action Plan
- **Action Item 7** – Discussion and Approval of the Bastrop County Transportation Plan
- **Action Item 8** – Discussion and Approval of the Wirtz Dam Road Community Outreach Report
- **Action Item 9** – Discussion and Approval of the Regional Incident Management Planning Contract
- **Action Item 10** – Discussion and Approval of the Travis County Interlocal Agreement for the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Local Match for the STP-MM Programs

➤ ***Action Item 6, Discussion and Approval of the Walkability Action Plan***

CAMPO staff will request TPB approval of the Walkability Action Plan. The National Association of Chronic Disease Directors, through a grant from the Center for Disease Control, sought applications from Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) for competitive funding assistance to support attendance at the second annual Walkability Action Institute. The purpose of the institute is to prepare interdisciplinary teams from MPO regions to pursue policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) supports to enhance public health through walking and walkability.

CAMPO received a \$7,152 grant for travel expenses for a team to attend the Walkability Action Institute in Atlanta. Team members included representatives from CAMPO, Michael and Susan Dell Center for Health Living, the City of Georgetown and the City of Pflugerville. The team developed an action plan, which was one of the project deliverables to be completed as part of the grant program. Below is a description of CAMPO's Team Action Plan goals:

1. CAMPO will develop the region's first Regional Active Transportation Plan that directly considers health outcomes and serves as a component of the future 2045 Regional Transportation Plan.

2. CAMPO will work with at least one jurisdiction to develop a plan to improve multimodal access and comfort along a corridor that includes land use recommendations that can be included in the local development code (both zoning and subdivision), and considers health impacts.
3. CAMPO will develop an online project viewer and data warehouse that displays existing, planned, and proposed active transportation infrastructure locations and information from around the region.
4. CAMPO will develop or identify at least three performance measures that can be used to measure health outcomes as part of CAMPO Platinum Plans, Regional Planning efforts and by other local and state partners.
5. CAMPO will have at least one representative from public health on one of its standing technical committees.

### **Background**

CAMPO staff deferred this item from the Sept. 12, 2016 TPB agenda to a future meeting. The item was previously deferred from the June 6, 2016 TPB meeting.

### *Technical Advisory Committee Discussion of Item 6*

The TAC previously heard this item at its meeting on May 25, 2016 and voted to not recommend to the TPB the approval of the Walkability Action Plan, but to table the item to a future TAC meeting for further discussion. The TAC action also included direction to CAMPO staff to submit the action plan to the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors to meet the submission deadline on May 27, 2016 per the grant program.

**TAC Action** – The TAC recommended that the TPB approve the Walkability Action Plan at its Jan. 23, 2017 meeting.

**Recommendation** – In concurrence with the TAC recommendation, staff recommends approval of the Walkability Action Plan. Regarding future active transportation efforts in the region, staff is pleased that the 2045 Regional Active Transportation Plan has created opportunities for all member communities to provide input into an active transportation plan for future adoption by the TPB.

### ➤ **Action Item 7, Discussion and Approval of the Bastrop County Transportation Plan**

CAMPO staff will request TPB acceptance of the Bastrop County Transportation Plan (BCTP). The plan was recently completed by the County with support from CAMPO. The BCTP planning process was designed to ensure that the plan supports regional goals, while also addressing local needs by considering those needs within the regional context.

The plan was funded with \$520,793 of STP-MM funds and \$130,198 of State funds.

**TAC Action** – The TAC recommended that the TPB accept the Bastrop County Transportation Plan at its Jan. 23, 2017 meeting.

**Recommendation** – In concurrence with the TAC recommendation, staff recommends acceptance of the Bastrop County Transportation Plan.

➤ **Action Item 8, Discussion and Approval of the Wirtz Dam Road Community Outreach Report**

CAMPO staff will request TPB acceptance of the Wirtz Dam Road Community Outreach Report. The outreach program, to gauge community interest on adding a Colorado River crossing at Wirtz Dam Road between Marble Falls and Horseshoe Bay, was recently completed by CAMPO staff and a community outreach firm and was funded by \$50,000 in CAMPO planning funds. The Outreach Report, documents the four-month community outreach effort and includes survey results and public comments. The report shows that the majority of respondents would consider an additional river crossing as beneficial.

The Outreach Report will be provided to Burnet County and TxDOT to work on next steps in the project development process and can be included in future steps, such as an environmental study.

**TAC Action** – The TAC recommended that the TPB accept the Wirtz Dam Road Community Outreach Report at its Jan. 23, 2017 meeting.

**Recommendation** – In concurrence with the TAC recommendation, staff recommends acceptance of the Wirtz Dam Road Community Outreach Report.

➤ **Action Item 9, Discussion and Approval of the Regional Incident Management Study Contract**

CAMPO staff will request the TPB approve the CAMPO Executive Director to negotiate with Kimley-Horn and Associates for a scope and fee to conduct a regional incident management study for the six-county region. Kimley-Horn submitted a response to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) that was issued in December 2016 and, based on the evaluation by the RFQ review team, the firm meets the qualifications to perform the analysis.

The TPB approved \$300,000 for this study in Amendment One of the FY 2016-2017 Unified Planning Work Program on Nov. 16, 2015. The funding comes from \$4M in STP-MM funding that was awarded to CAMPO in June 2014 for planning purposes. Because the source of funding is STP-MM, CAMPO will need to execute an Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT if this item (to negotiate a contract with the selected firm) is approved.

The study would analyze the existing programs in the region related to crash management and determine if they are adequate to meet existing and future needs.

**TAC Action** – This item was not brought to the TAC for recommendation.

**Recommendation** – Staff recommends authorizing the CAMPO Executive Director to negotiate with the recommended firm on a scope of work and fee for a regional incident management study.

➤ **Action Item 10, Discussion and Approval of the Travis County Interlocal Agreement for the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Local Match for the STP-MM Programs**

CAMPO staff will request TPB approval of the Travis County Interlocal Agreement for the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Local Match for the Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility (STP-MM) programs.

A non-federal match is required for the use of federal funds. The amount of the local contribution from Travis County is \$8,780 for FY 2015 and \$8,780 for FY 2016. The funding is used by CAMPO to conduct regional transportation planning on behalf of the member governments. The Travis County Commissioners Court voted to approve the total contribution of \$17,560 to CAMPO and requested an interlocal agreement with CAMPO for the receipt of these funds.

**TAC Action** – This item was not brought to the TAC for recommendation.

**Recommendation** – Staff recommends approval of the Interlocal Agreement with Travis County for the FY 2015 and FY 2016 Local Match for the STP-MM programs.

City staff will attend the Transportation Policy Board meeting. If your office has additional questions or would like an individual briefing prior to the meeting, please contact Annick Beaudet at (512) 974-7959.

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