

MEETING AGENDA

Public Transportation Advisory Committee

Thursday, January 25, 2024, | 10:00 A.M. (local time)

Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)

[Virtual Event via Microsoft Teams](#)

1. Call to order.
2. Guidance on virtual meeting participation.
3. Approval of minutes from July 18, 2023, meeting. (Action)
4. Approval of minutes from October 3, 2023, meeting. (Action)
5. TxDOT Public Transportation Division Director's report to the Public Transportation Advisory Committee regarding public transportation matters.
6. Recommendation on draft rule changes for State funding allocations. (Action)
7. Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan update. (Discussion)
8. Statewide Active Transportation Plan introduction. (Discussion)
9. Intercity Bus Program update. (Discussion)
10. Public Comment – Public comments will only be accepted during the meeting. Link and details are below. The meeting transcript will be posted on the internet following the meeting.
11. Propose and discuss agenda items for next meeting; confirm date of next meeting. (Action)
12. Adjourn. (Action)

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MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Webex Meeting
July 18, 2023 - 10:00 A.M.

Committee Members Participating in person:

J. R. Salazar
Ken Fickes
James Oliver

Committee Members Participating via WebEx:

John McBeth, Chair
Jim Cline, Vice Chair
Dietrich M. von Biedenfeld

Participating in person:

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division, PTN
Mark Sprick, Director, Administration and Program Support, PTN
Theodore Kosub, Strategic Programs Development Manager, PTN
Michael Dietz, Planning and Reporting Manager, PTN
Robbi Smith, Public Involvement Specialist, PTN
Sharon Terranova, Consultant Team Project Manager, CDM Smith

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to order.

John McBeth called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Guidance on virtual meeting participation

Michael Dietz briefed on virtual meeting protocols including how public comments can be submitted via Webex at 10:06 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from April 8, 2023 (Action)

John McBeth opened this item at 10:08 A.M.

- John McBeth requested a motion for the approval of minutes from April 8, 2023.
 - Ken Fickes made a motion to approve.
 - J. R. Salazar seconded the motion.
 - Motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 4: TxDOT Public Transportation Division Director's report to the Public Transportation Advisory Committee regarding public transportation matters

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:10 A.M.

Highlights from Eric Gleason in his verbal report:

- \$95 million of state and federal transit grant program funding was awarded by the Commission.
- Requested \$27 mil from FY23 Bus and Bus Facility discretionary application. Only received \$7 mil for low and no emission fleet replacement.
- Census designation status - Still tracking efforts.
- Electric Transit Vehicle Pilot Program – Received \$6 mil to do an initial deployment of electric transit vehicles for rural transit agencies in or adjacent to air quality nonattainment and maintenance areas.

Q&A: No questions

AGENDA ITEM 5: Recommendation on proposed rule changes for the FY 25 state funding allocation (Action Discussion)

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:25 A.M.

Eric presents a Power Point to discuss the Texas Administrative Code's existing allocation methodology and proposed suggestions to modify.

Eric explains that the last session yielded two additional buckets of money that now needs accounting for.

- \$3.77 million funding to help address, mitigate, and offset impacts of the 2020 Census on transit district allocations.
- \$12 million of additional State Funding for rural area service expansion.

Eric discussed the existing allocation structure for state funds and clarified that there are two areas of focus, the amounts that each transit district type (rural, small urban and large urban) gets at the highest level and the criteria that are used to allocate funds to each transit district within a category. The committee was briefed on a strategy that mitigates census impacts by implementing equal per capita reductions across transit district categories.

The committee recommended looking at two funds allocation options at the next PTAC meeting and received an update a potential state formula funds rulemaking. The committee will be provided an update at the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Intercity Bus Program update. (Discussion)

John McBeth introduced Agenda Item 6 at 10:40 A.M.

Eric discusses the large balance in unobligated intercity bus funding. After being in consultation with intercity bus stakeholders since November 2022, we are now ready to move forward with a recommendation to reprogram approximately \$10.5 mil of the \$13 mil.

Eric discusses findings from a study several years ago on intercity bus with key connections identified, where improvements could be made to the program and the right way forward with intercity bus. Estimating about six months away from having enough data for the committee to review.

AGENDA ITEM 7: Service Expansion Plan briefing (Discussion)

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:55 A. M.

Eric discusses the basic concept behind the program; looking at the development projects with outcomes and what those are. The current approach recognizes that everyone has needs and everyone should have a chance at developing projects to benefit from them. The balance: some systems will not get anything because they've met some minimum while others get enough to address an issue.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan update (Discussion)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:10 A.M.

Eric introduces Consultant Team Project Manager, Sharon Terranova from CDM Smith. Will be looking at the Committee to play a major role in bringing recommendations to the commission together. Eric gives the floor to Sharon Terranova.

Sharon reviews/introduces the Project Team Org Chart and the roles of its members. Sharon further explains the mission and vision of the first ever Multimodal Statewide Transit Plan. Sharon explains that this plan sets a framework for how future investments will be prioritized and elaborates on outreach strategy and schedule. October will launch a public involvement survey.

Sharon provides a summary of details from a semi-annual Transit Operators Meeting of which she presented an overview of the plan as discussed in this meeting and conducted an exercise using a QR code and participants cell phones. The exercise consisted of questions regarding funding issues, equipment and fleet replacement, increase in service hours, buses breaking down, replacement parts and availability, biggest agency challenges, etc... Full results will be ready for the Steering Committee before October.

Q&A:

- Q: James Oliver asked if they could see the results from the Mentimeter exercise with the operators.
 - A: Mike Dietz provided after the meeting.
- Q: James Oliver asked if they could see the list of people we invited to the Steering Committee
 - A: Mike Dietz provided after the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 9: Nomination of a Public Transportation Advisory Committee Member to serve on the Steering Committee for the Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan. (Action)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:25 A.M.

Eric Gleason makes a request that the Committee select one of its current members to join the Steering Committee effort and represent PTAC on that Steering Committee. Mr. McBeth agrees and recommends Jim Cline who accepts the position. John McBeth leads in a formal motion process.

MOTION J.R. Salazar

SECOND Ken Fickes seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 11:26 A.M

AGENDA ITEM 10: Public Comment

John McBeth introduced item at 11:27 A.M.

Eric responds: There are there are no comments.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Propose and discuss agenda items for next meeting; confirm date of next meeting. (Action)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:28 A.M.

Eric provides that a specific date in October has not yet been confirmed. UPDATE: a date was confirmed on 9/17/23 for October 3, 2023.

Agenda talking points:

- Provide another update about the multimodal plan
- Provide an Intercity Bus update
- Anticipate having performance data available

AGENDA ITEM 12: Adjourn. (Action)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:40 A.M.

MOTION Ken Fickes moved to adjourn.

SECOND J.R. Salazar seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 11:45 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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John McBeth, Chair
Public Transportation Advisory Committee

MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

Public Transportation Advisory Committee – Webex Meeting
October 3, 2023 - 10:00 A.M.

Committee Members Participating in person:

J. R. Salazar
James Oliver
Jim Cline, Vice Chair

Committee Members Participating via WebEx:

John McBeth, Chair
Ken Fickes

Participating in person:

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division, PTN
Mark Sprick, Director, Administration and Program Support, PTN
Theodore Kosub, Strategic Programs Development Manager, PTN
Michael Dietz, Planning and Reporting Manager, PTN
Robbi Smith, Public Involvement Specialist, PTN
Dottie Watkins, CapMetro
Sharon Terranova, CDM Smith
Alan Clark, Houston Metro

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to order.

John McBeth called the meeting to order at 10:38 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Guidance on virtual meeting participation

Eric Gleason briefed on meeting protocols that included to keep connections muted when not speaking and to use the chat feature to comment on agenda items. Eric explained that the chat feature is being monitored by Justin Smith and to raise hands in the chat to comment or ask questions. Eric asked that the meeting not be placed on hold to avoid disturbing tones. There was an in-person briefing on safety protocols should there be an emergency which included medical situations, the office address, CPR certified attendees present and where to find a defibrillator and first aid kit. The evacuation process was explained and where to locate should there be an active shooter, fire, or inclement weather event at 10:40 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from July 18, 2023 (Action)

John McBeth opened this item at 10:42 A.M.

- A quorum was not available, and item was tabled for a future meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 4: TxDOT Public Transportation Division Director's report to the Public Transportation Advisory Committee regarding public transportation matters

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:44 A.M.

Highlights from Eric Gleason in his verbal report:

- *Rural Area Service Expansion Program Effort* – The legislature included 12 million dollars of additional funding in the 24-25 appropriations which was tagged for rural area service expansion projects. 25 of the 36 transit districts have been chosen to move forward and 11 have opted out for various reasons. Decision was made to move ahead with the 25 and are on target with the Commission to make an award of state funds by the end of the month. Two (2) time frames have been tagged (June and September). Those 25 will begin work on

their projects with a preliminary list of allocations. A formal application opportunity will open up in early November through the middle of December. Eric offered an opportunity for questions.

Q&A:

- Jim Cline asked about those that opted out and if anything could be improved to whether they would opt in.
 - Eric explained that a two-year bridge was offered and a hopeful solution to their current service expansion. Those of the 11 that would like to put together a two-year package, we will work with them. The general discussion was that it was better to have the 25 on board that were already prepared.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Recommendation on proposed rule changes for State Funding allocation (Discussion)

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:47 A.M.

Eric Gleason explains that this is a continuation of an ongoing topic that the Committee has been engaged in for some time. In January 2024, looking to introduce proposed rules for changes to state allocations with final rules in April which will allow the use of those rules to make the fiscal year 25 distribution. In summary of previous discussions, two areas where changes can occur: the 1st is how much money, getting a single biennium total from the legislature and everything below the biennium total is at the discretion of the Commission as how to get started. Some language in the current rules have limits on flexibility (working w/different amounts) within the biennium and looking to increase flexibility. In addition, looking for increased flexibility on how discussion refunds are described. Eric explained from the Federal side, the assessment process before distribution. Eric asked to discuss about doing something similar on the state side when the time comes.

Comments:

- **Jim Cline** - Has no concerns but will have the question going forward: How does it affect stability funding for different agencies?
 - **Eric Gleason** – Is the main motivator w/ proposing major changes to stability
- **James Oliver** – Expecting to see numbers in January.
 - **Eric Gleason** – Yes.
- **James Oliver** – Asks where ICB (Intercity Bus) fits in.
 - **Eric Gleason** – It does not. Currently communicating with general counsel on word changes to the administrative code. Commissioners will be briefed. However, the January Commission meeting is targeted for showing a proposed set of rules to be considered. FY25 state funding in July will be based on those rules.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Intercity Bus Program update. (Withdrawn)

- Item was skipped due to a lack of data submitted by Greyhound. Eric mentioned that Greyhound received 80% of the funding and only have operating and ridership data through the second quarter of the last fiscal year (February).

AGENDA ITEM 7: Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan Update (Discussion)

John McBeth introduced this item at 10:57 A. M.

Eric Gleason explains that the purpose today's discussion is to give an update on progress based on the last meeting discussion and a glimpse of what is coming next. Eric turns the discussion over to Sharon Terranova.

Sharron explains that today's discussion is just a project update and to discuss any items from Commission. Sharron recognizes James Cline as a Steering Committee member. Her topics of discussion are:

1. Project Timeline: Still on schedule to seek adoption in the fall of 2024.
2. Technical Work Progress: Currently focusing on stakeholder engagement and getting their tech memo series completed, to be converted to the draft plan document. The first being the Technical Memorandum covering data collection analysis, existing conditions, transit benefits, trends & impacts and existing plan review.
3. Stakeholder Engagement Meetings: increasing existing hours on existing service, add more service to existing routes, w/both facing workforce challenges. The vision is being reworked and the Steering Committee will be asked to confirm the vision.
4. Public Involvement in the Fall Outreach Activities: Currently focusing on outreach efforts. In-person outreach pop-up events are planned. Also doing online outreach w/a social media plan. Coordinating with local agencies.

Takeaways from Sharron's presentation:

- Rural and small urban districts were more concerned with the “today” – looking at existing service levels and service hours.
- MTAs were more interested in expanding their coverage areas, in addition to building more accessible service hours.
- Agencies of all sizes are facing serious workforce challenges.
- They also see the lack of local match funding as a problem and are looking for potential policy changes to help.
- Another challenge the MTAs cited was public perception.
- Rural agencies focused more on gaps in coverage, while MTAs looked more at congested corridors.
- Finally, MTAs discussed economic opportunities and quality of life improvements that can be built through transit

Sharron asks for questions:

- **Ken Fickes** – Asks if surveys are sent out to agencies and providers to provide input. Ken asks for a survey to be provided to the small-urbanized area.
 - **Sharron Terranova** – Yes, we can.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Public Comment

John McBeth introduced item at 11:19 A.M.

- No comments received online or in person

AGENDA ITEM 9: Propose and discuss agenda items for next meeting; confirm date of next meeting (Action)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:19 A.M. and comments that this information is normally sent at a later time.

Eric Gleason responds that the next meeting will possibly be during the 3rd or 4th week of January, 2024.

Eric Gleason provided some closing remarks by saying that there's been a lot of build-up in terms of “setting the stage” and developing a comprehensive outreach and engagement strategy. Eric indicated that the “heavy lifting” for the plan will really begin at the start of the year. However, he's focused on the topical working groups and fall outreach campaigns before we get there. Eric mentioned that the overall thing to keep in mind is that the plan needs to be totally focused and to not get distracted by the millions of things the plan could get distracted by.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Adjourn. (Action)

John McBeth introduced item at 11:21 A.M.

MOTION Ken Fickes moved to adjourn.

SECOND Jim Cline seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously at 11:22 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 11:22 A.M.

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January 25, 2024

Meeting will start at 10:05 am



PTAC Meeting Agenda – January 25, 2024



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Safety Briefing



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Director's Report



Summary of Rules Update – IIJA Requirements

- Risk-based Inspection authority and program
- Rail Agency Safety Committees
- Training Requirements
- Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Contents



2024 Major Milestones

- Jan 17 Proposed Rules at Commission
- Feb-April Rules published for review / comment
- Feb 15 Public Hearing at Greer Building
- April 25 Final Rules at Commission
- Apr-May Submit RBI Packet to FTA for review / approval
- October RBI Program in effect



- Semi-annual operators meeting recap
- Upcoming TTC items
- Switching to Zoom for future meetings



Rule Changes for State Funding Allocations



- Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 31, Subchapter B, State Programs
 - Responsive to 2020 Census Updates
 - Incorporate additional Legislative Appropriations for FY 24/25
 - Adjust amounts to minimize changes in per capita spending levels in subareas

- Updated biennium totals for rural, small urban and large urban areas.

- No recommended changes to how funds are allocated to Transit Districts within each subarea.



- §31.11(a-b): Formula allocation clarified to occur yearly, at the beginning of each state fiscal year.
- §31.11(b)(1): Appropriation totals for the biennium updated from \$69,982,134 to \$73,752,134 to include additional funded received during the 88th Legislative Regular Session.
- Large urban transit districts allocation increased to \$10,365,694 from \$7,000,000.
- Small Urban transit districts allocation decreased to \$15,927,748 from \$20,118,748.



- §31.11(b)(1): Rural transit districts allocation increased to \$45,917,020 from \$42,863,386.
- §31.11(b)(1)(A)(i): Total biennium appropriation amounts updated throughout rule.
- §31.11(b)(1)(A)(v) & 31.11(b)(1)(B)(iii): Flexibility for the commission to waive or approve an alternate calculation for an allocation to urban or rural transit district(s).
- §31.11(b)(1)(D)(2): Removed obsolete, one-time allocation language from fiscal year 2018.



- §31.11(b)(1)(D)(2): Flexibility for the use of transit funds to address transit district service and capital development needs, changes in transit district boundaries, unforeseen funding anomalies, emergency services response and recovery needs, changes in economic conditions or availability of assets significantly impacting current year operational expenses, or other needs determined by the commission.
- §31.11(d-e): Clarification that returned funds are available for reallocation under the discretionary program if eligible
- §31.13(b) Flexibility to allocate discretionary funds on a pro rata basis, competitive basis, combination of pro rata & competitive basis or as a one-time award.

State Funding Allocation Rulemaking – Next Steps



January 17, 2024

Rule Proposal at Commission

February 15, 2024

Public Hearing for Proposed Rule

March 4, 2024

Public Comment Period Closes

April 25, 2024

Rule Adoption at Commission

June 2024

FY 25 State Funds Allocation



Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan



SMTP Updates:

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SMTP Timeline

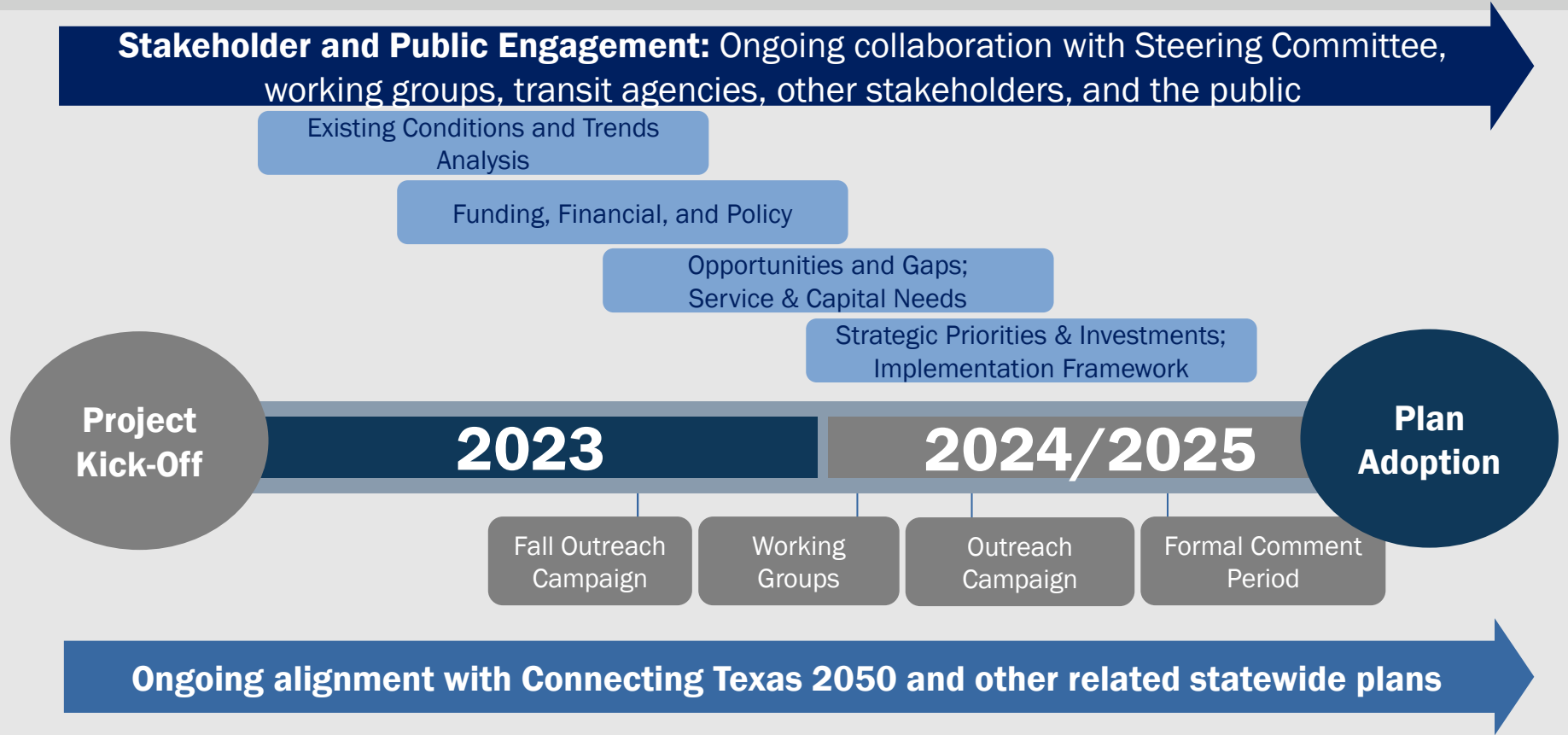
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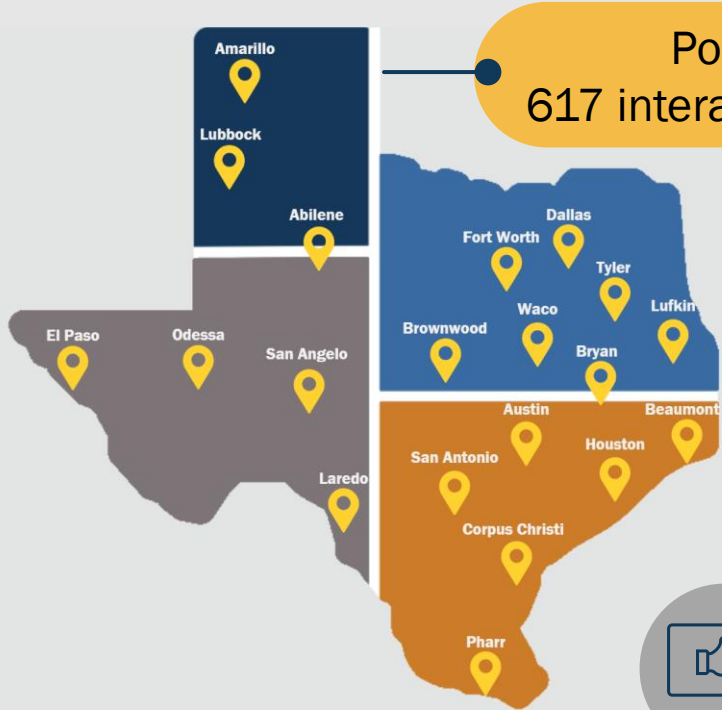
Project Updates

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Topical Working Groups: Emphasis Areas Discussion

Texas SMTP Timeline





Pop up meetings:
617 interactions in 20 locations



- Emails to:
- 10,000 state reps, county officials, school districts, and others
 - 300+ transit, bike/ped groups, and coalitions



Social media
pushes



Public Survey Feedback



WHY do you use transit?

- Better for the environment
- To save money
- Don't drive/have access to a vehicle

WHERE do you take transit?

- Social/recreational activities
- Personal business, shopping or errands
- Work or job-seeking

WHAT would make you use transit more?

- Service to more locations
- More frequent service
- Longer hours of service/weekend service

Overall findings:

- Respondents want interregional connectivity.
- Respondents believe transit is necessary for communities to thrive.
- Many don't see transit as a source of independence and see it more as service when a car is unavailable.
- There are numerous barriers to transit.



Increased frequency

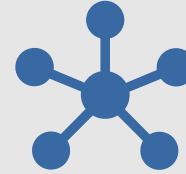
Stakeholders, the Steering Committee, and the public want greater service frequency.

This may improve market reach, especially as areas of the state grow.



More options

The public wants mobility options. Riders want more service to more locations, while Steering Committee members and transit agency stakeholders want to secure revenue for service enhancement and expansion.



Greater connectivity

There is a need for intercity connectivity, as shown by public survey respondents and data. As the population shifts and grows in the state, this need may increase.

Additionally, stakeholders and the Steering Committee see rural transit and intercity connections as top-five Emphasis Areas.



Roles and Responsibilities:

- Define issues to be addressed in each area
- Develop ideas for solutions
- Identify strategies to be considered for inclusion in the Plan

Emphasis Areas:



**Growth and
Urbanization**



**Transit
Financing**



**Transit
Markets**



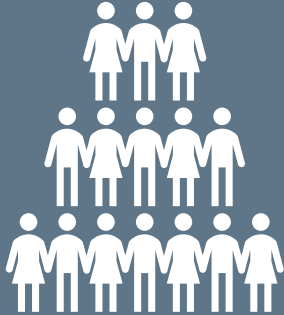
**Service
Development**



**Technology
Advancement**



**Making the
Case for Transit**



Navigating complex web of transportation laws and policy and growth issues/impacts to sustain and expand public transportation opportunities.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Legal/institutional barriers and constraints
- Changing demographics
- Distribution – proportional share-based formula program allocations
- Census designations/service area gaps/service area pressures



Exploring public transportation financing to identify opportunities to sustain and enhance investments.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Per capita funding levels/equity
- Funding gaps
- Options to expand/re-allocate revenue for public transportation
- Sustaining current investment



Understanding how various customers use transit within and throughout various regions, including urban, small urban and rural areas and what trends or future market characteristics mean for public transportation services.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Transit dependent/communities with limited transit options/community need
- Choice riders
- Commuters
- Intercity travel
- Secondary education population



Investigating and recommending minimum and aspirational statewide standards. New market potential. Role of capital facilities. Constraints on expansion - workforce.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Policy barriers and constraints
- Access and connectivity/building the basic mobility network; 1st-mile & last-mile services
- Congestion mitigation/congestion options
- Intercity connectivity
- Community need
- Supporting capital development
- Workforce development



Adapting to, understanding,
and making use of emerging
technologies.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Autonomous/connected vehicles
- Automated/smart cities, systems
- User applications and fare payment
- AI/data
- Electrification/alternative fuels



Developing common understandings and acceptance of the value of public transportation throughout Texas.

KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

- Safety
- Quality of life/community value
- Economic development
- Growth/congestion mitigation/congestion options



Thank you!



Statewide Active Transportation Plan



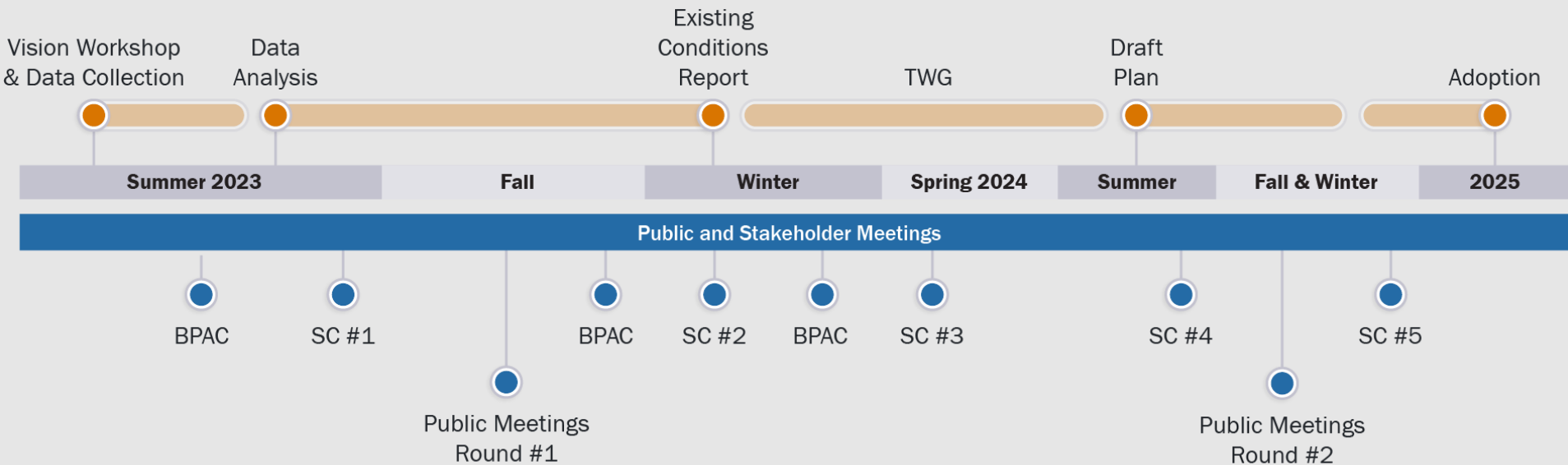
- 1 Plan Vision and Overview
- 2 Outreach Discussion and Takeaways
- 3 Work Group Emphasis and Formation
- 4 Open Discussion and Wrap Up



The Texas Active Transportation Plan is a collaborative effort to advance walking, biking, and rolling as viable options toward a safe, accessible, connected, and fully integrated multimodal transportation system for all Texans.

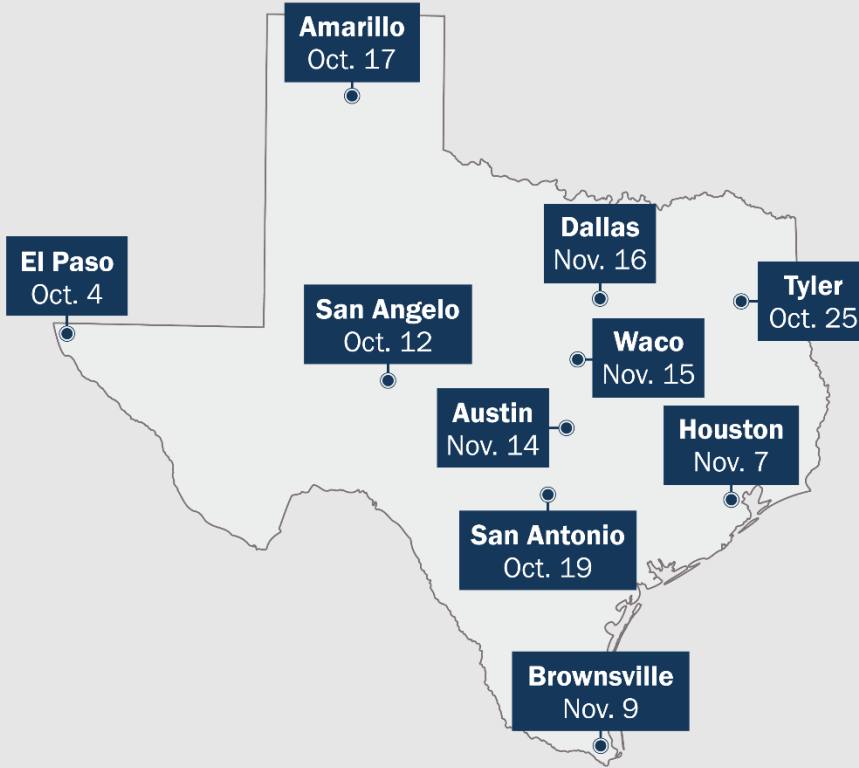
The plan will support healthy, economically vital, and resilient communities with innovative solutions to increase active mobility.

Schedule



Steering Committee (SC), Technical Work Group (TWG), Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

Where we have been and what's been done



Outreach Type

- Online Surveys – **861** responses received
- Interactive Map – **1,904** comments received
- In-person public open house meetings – **140** attendees
- Virtual public open house meeting – **4,239** unique visitors
- Meetings with MPO's – **197** attendees
- Meetings with advocacy groups and stakeholders – **113** attendees
- Community site visits – **134** interactions
- Other activities – TML, APA, Vision Zero Forum
- Pop-up events



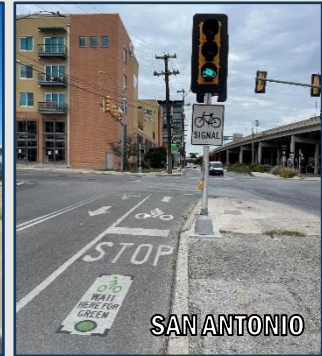
Public Meetings



Stakeholder Meetings



Community Site Visits



Outreach Round 1 – area specific comment themes



EL PASO – OCT. 4

Health, Paseo Del Norte Trail

SAN ANGELO - OCT. 12

Ports to Plains corridor investments, specific **"rural"** photos

AMARILLO - OCT. 17

Community need, build where it makes sense; smaller projects

SAN ANTONIO – OCT. 19

Connectivity and accessibility

TYLER – OCT. 25

Safety and connectivity for students, sidewalk improvements

HOUSTON – NOV. 7

Multimodal **funding** investment, active transportation facilities in conjunction with I-45 project

BROWNSVILLE – NOV. 9

Funding, lighting in and near active facilities

AUSTIN – NOV. 14

Safety, **transit connections**

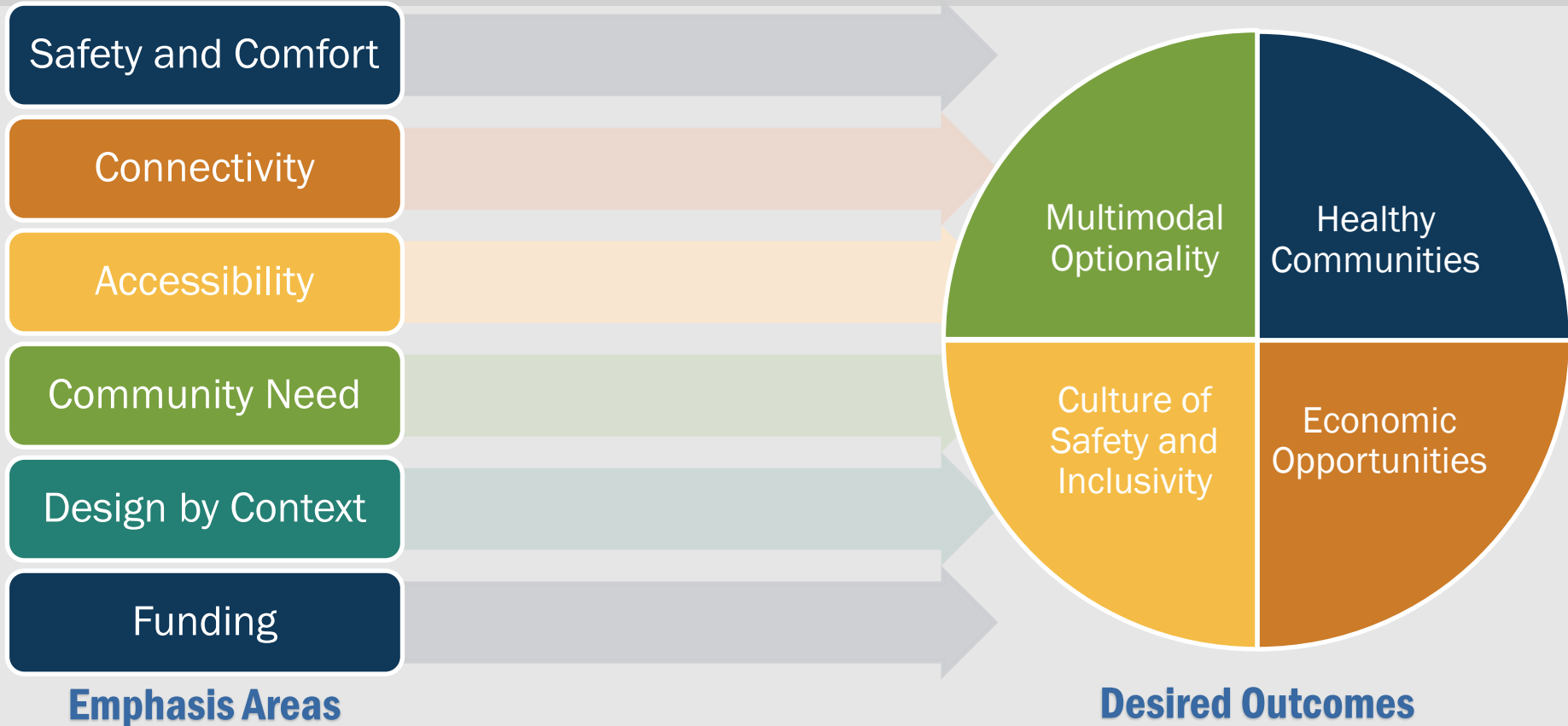
WACO – NOV. 15

Sidewalk **connections to campus**, community need focused improvements

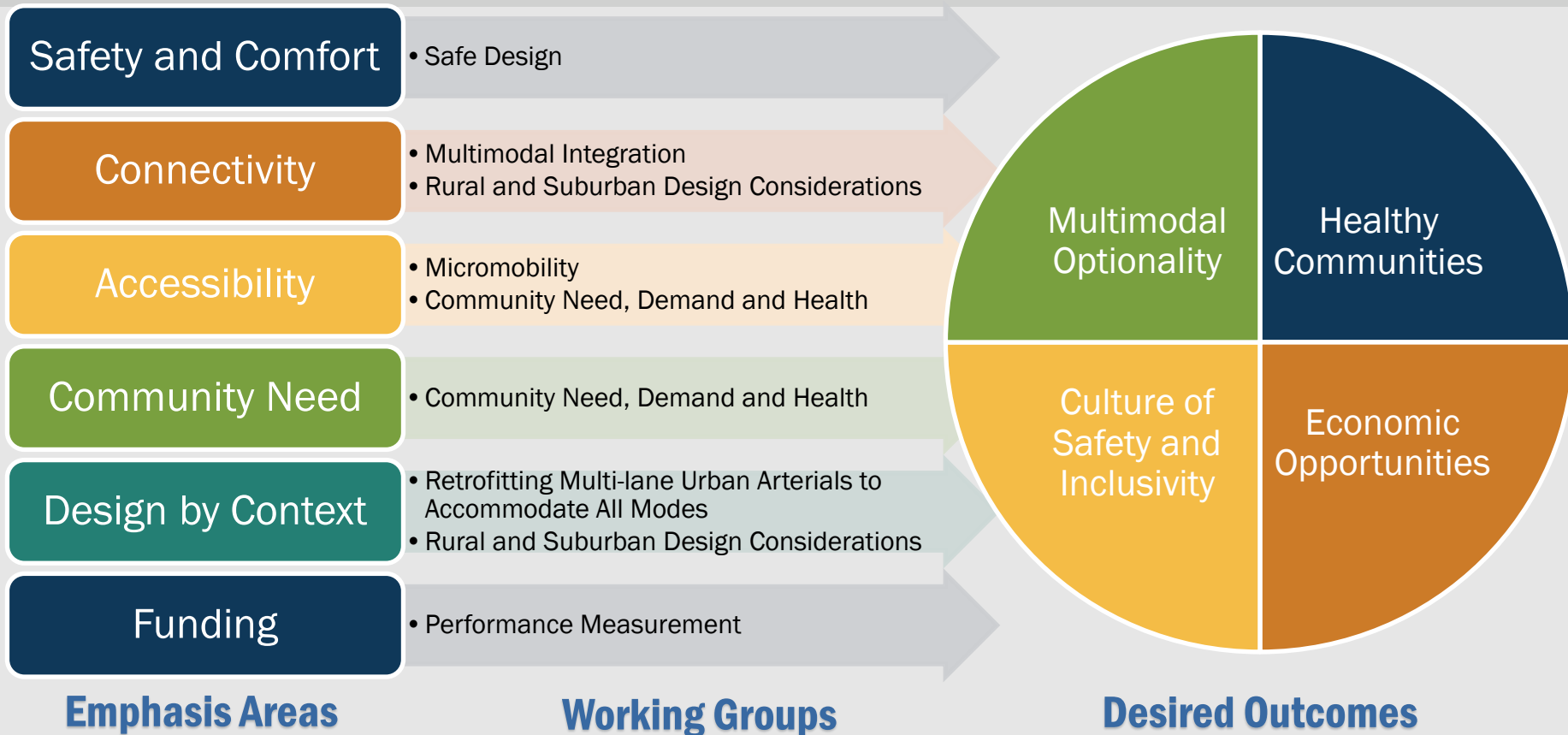
DALLAS – NOV. 16

Intersection design, maintenance, community needs access to DART facilities

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Topic	Purpose	Participant Groups
Safe design for all users	Highlight situations that are not included in the RDM. Explore best practices and develop guiding principles.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TxDOT staff • Municipalities and planning organizations • FHWA
Retrofitting multi-lane urban arterials to accommodate all modes	Identify challenges and opportunities with urban arterials. Recommend best practices and future actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Downtown / Main Street • City and regional planning staff • TxDOT staff • Transit agencies
Multimodal integration	Develop policy recommendations to foster integration of all modes e.g. critical first and last mile connections, interoperability, facility requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transit providers • Bike/ped advocacy leaders • Bike share providers • MPO's
Community need, demand and health	Explore needs, opportunities and partnerships to provide active transportation infrastructure or infrastructure upgrades where it is needed most	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy groups • Government agencies (DSHS, TPW) • Municipalities and planning organizations



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Rural and suburban design considerations	Focusing on unique attributes of rural and suburb transportation networks and communities. What scale of planning and improvements are needed?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City, County planning staff • MPO's • TxDOT staff
Micromobility	Explore how micromobility interacts with other road uses. Develop best practices for how to integrate micromobility into the existing transportation system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipalities and planning organizations • Micromobility providers • Accessibility advocates
Performance measures	Develop meaningful performance measures to track progress for next plan update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TxDOT staff involved in other planning efforts • FHWA • City staff • MPO's



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Intercity Bus Program

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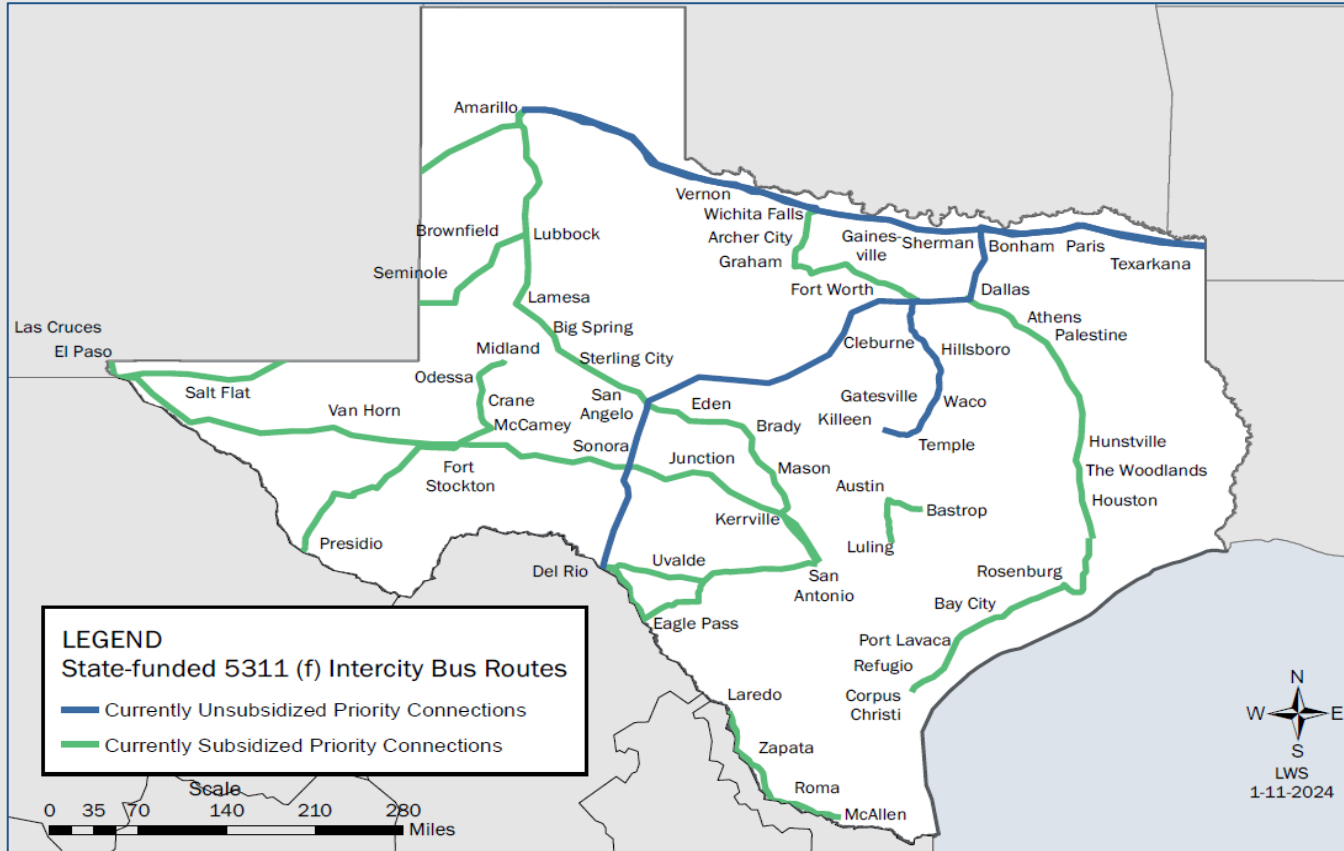


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- Purpose: Preserve priority rural area connections to national ICB network and other regional destinations.
- Funding: Current and Projected (through current authorization).
 - FY 2023 current: \$9,101,600
 - FY 2026 projected: \$9,774,597
- Use of Funds: Service/Capital split; Target 80/20.
- Project Selection: Biennial Coordinated Call for Projects.

Priority Rural Area Connections



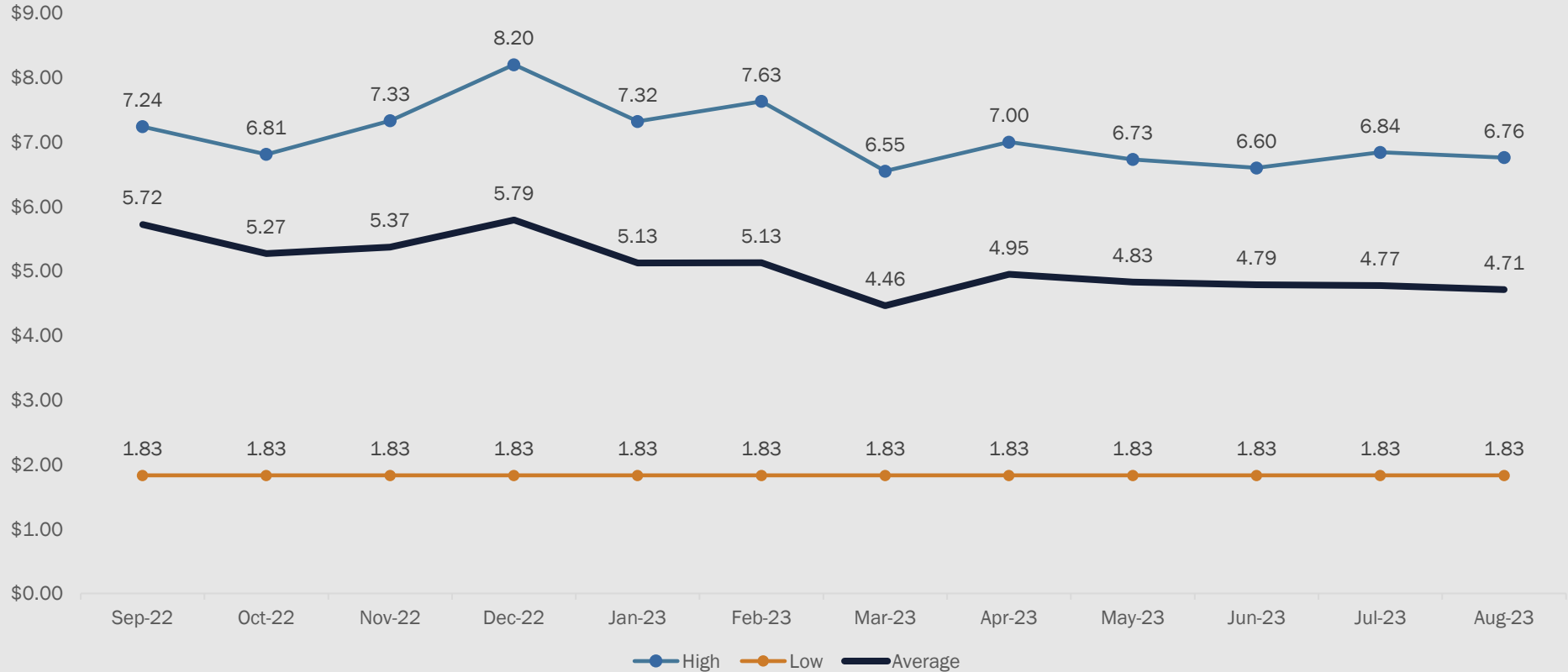


- Time Period: September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023
- Performance
 - Admin | Operating | Other Expenses
 - Fares | Donations | Other Revenues
 - Cost per Passenger
 - Cost per Mile
- Ridership
 - Average Daily Passenger Count
 - Total Passengers
 - Total Miles and Passengers per Mile
 - # of Days in Operation

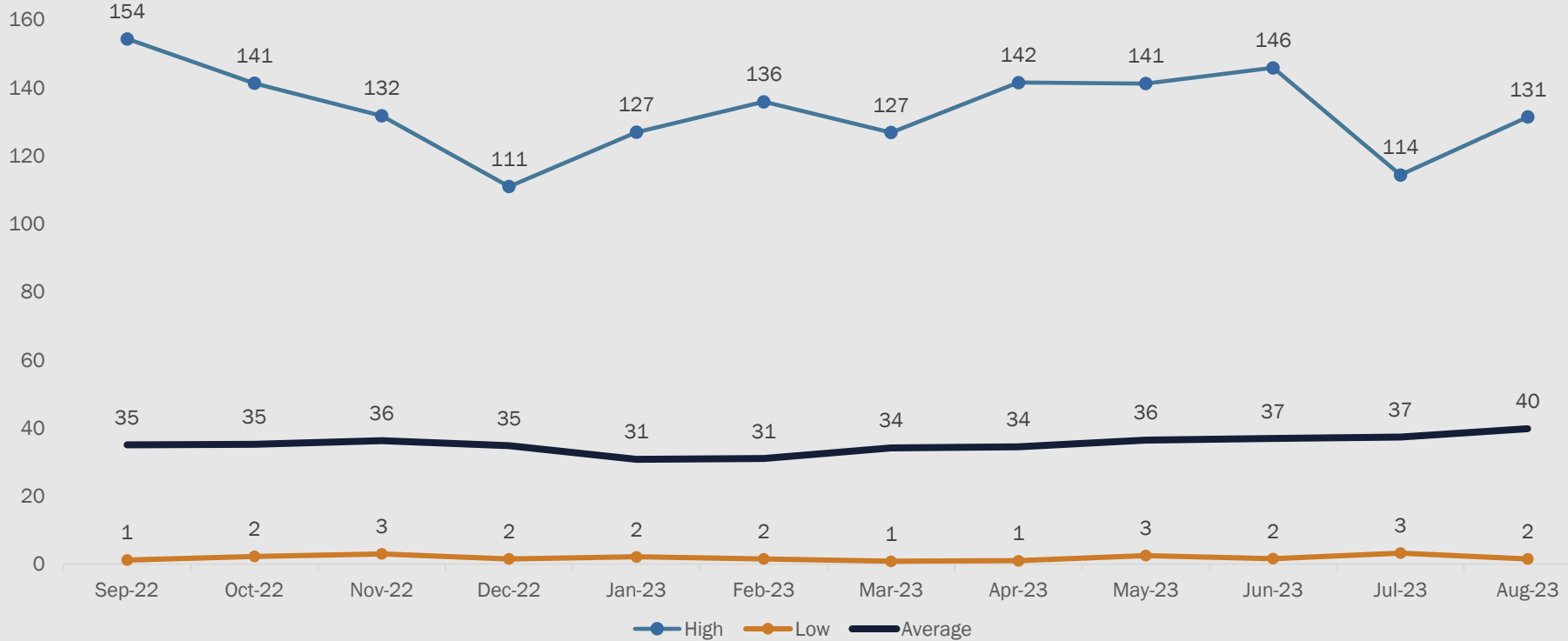
Service and Performance Data – Cost per Passenger



Service and Performance Data – Cost per Mile



Service and Performance Data – Average Daily Passenger Count





Intercity Bus Programs

ICB and Rural Area Investment Funding (FY 23)

Program	Amount	% of Funding
Federal	\$43,687,678	49.77%
State	\$34,991,067	39.86%
ICB	\$9,101,600	10.37%
Total	\$86,386,830	

Intercity Bus Program

ICB and Rural Area Investment Ridership (FY 23)

Program	Passengers	% of Ridership
Federal/State	2,975,691	94.29%
ICB	180,086	5.71%
Total	3,155,777	



Questions?/Discussion



Public Comment



Agenda Items and Date Confirmation for Next Meeting



- Agenda items:
 - Statewide Multimodal Transit Plan
 - Others?

- Tentative Date:
 - Tuesday, April 16, 2024
 - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm



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