

# Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Full Committee Meeting Summary

Hybrid Meeting // January 24, 2024

## Attendees

21 of 25 committee members (in person and online)

15 support members (in person, with additional support staff online)

5 members of the public (in person, with additional members of the public online)

## Introduction of Members and Staff

- TxDOT called roll for the committee members.

## Administrative Remarks

- The Chair briefly read through the meeting agenda.
- TxDOT stated that meeting recordings will be posted on the AAM Advisory Committee [website](#).

## Chair and Vice Chair Comments

- The Chair encouraged committee members to work hard in their working group meetings and challenged them to think about how they can tangibly move Texas forward.

## Organizational Items

- The Chair provided an overview of key project milestones.
- The Chair suggested that the full committee meet quarterly with one additional meeting and that the working groups meet monthly.

### Key Project Milestones

Dates	Milestones
January, April, July 2024	Committee meetings
February, March, April, May 2024	Working group meetings
August 1, 2024	Draft recommendations to TxDOT
September 1, 2024	Finalize recommendations
October 1, 2024	Recommendations to Legislature

## Working group discussion

- The Chair described the working group structure of the previous UAM advisory committee.
- The Chair described the proposed AAM working group structure, made up of five working groups.
- The committee brought up the importance of educational training programs.
- The committee emphasized the importance of remembering their main audience and of having use cases for various AAM tools.
- The Chair proposed an overarching goal for the committee. Committee members suggested changes in wording.

Draft Committee Goal: Enhance Texas' leadership in AAM by developing recommendations for the Texas Legislature to accelerate and support the community integration and use of AAM (i.e., both crewed and uncrewed aircraft) in the State of Texas.

## Break into working groups

The Chair directed the committee to assign themselves to the five working groups. Some members expressed interest in joining more than one working group. It was decided that members would be a part of one main working group but would be able to join and contribute to any future working group meetings. It was also decided that members of the public could be a part of working group meetings and offer input, but they would be unable to vote on recommendations.

The Chair asked the working groups to decide on a leader for their groups and their next meeting date, and to brainstorm their main charges.

Three members were not present and were not assigned a primary working group.

## Working group reports

The Chair asked the leader of each working group to provide a short summary of their topics of interest.

<b>Working Group</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Vice Leader</b>	<b>Topics of Interest</b>
Community Integration	Jim Perschbach	Amanda Nelson	Crafting an actional plan for the Legislature; understanding the needs of infrastructure and the concerns of local governments; and stakeholder coordination.
Economic Impact	Cameron Walker		Making Texas a leader in education and training and investigating the economic impact of having AAM industry locate in Texas, including how to draw them into locating here.
Funding	Ernest Huffman		Using the recommendations of each working group to make specific recommendations to the Legislature on how they can fund AAM; research what other states have done in AAM, including how much they spent

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			and their funding mechanisms; and research federal funding.
Infrastructure	Cade Clark	Mark Ozenik	Physical infrastructure requirements and creation of a template for new AAM builds.
Public Good/Safety Use-Cases	Jason Day		Collaboration between public safety and the private sector; training public safety on how to respond to AAM technology incidents; utilization of private sector AAM assets during disasters; specific use cases to validate the recommendations; and bringing in subject matter experts to educate everyone in the working groups.

## Committee Member and Public Comments

No committee members had comments at this time.

A member of the public recommended that we utilize the airspace above state highways and roads.

## Next Steps

- The support team will send out working group meeting invites and information.
- The support team will set up working group channels in Microsoft Teams as a place to share information and communicate.
- The working groups will reconvene in February.
- The committee will reconvene in April. NOTE: After the meeting, the Chair decided to add an additional full committee meeting in March.

## Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned.

# Agenda

## Texas Department of Transportation Advance Air Mobility (AAM) Meeting

January 24, 2024 // 9 am – 12 pm  
Hybrid

**Note:** Teleconference instructions below

1. Convene
2. Introduction of members and staff
3. Chair and Vice Chair comments
4. Working group discussion
  - a. Committee comments
  - b. Working group assignments
5. Break into working groups (at discretion of Chair)
6. Working group reports (at discretion of Chair)
7. Specific information requests for research
8. Committee member comments
9. Public comments
10. Adjourn

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