



Texas Transportation Commission Meeting Agenda

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Agenda

Meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m.

1. **Safety Briefing**

Staff will provide general safety instructions.

2. **Opening Comments from Commissioners and Executive Director**

- a. Commissioner Pat Gordon
- b. Commissioner Steven D. Alvis
- c. Commissioner Alejandro “Alex” Meade, III
- d. Commissioner Robert C. Vaughn
- e. Acting Chairman W. Alvin New
- f. Executive Director Marc D. Williams, P.E. - Texas Department of Transportation (department) Updates

3. **Approval of Minutes**

Consider approval of the minutes of the July 30, 2026, regular meeting of the commission

4. **Acknowledgements of Service**

- a. Recognize by resolution Chief of Staff Mary Anne Griss, for more than 33 years of service to the department.
- b. Recognize by resolution Bryan District Engineer Chad Bohne, P.E., for more than 32 years of service to the department.
- c. Recognize by resolution Brownwood District Engineer Greg Cedillo, P.E., for more than 27 years of service to the department.

5. **Contracts**

Consider the award or rejection of contracts for highway construction and maintenance, and for construction and rehabilitation of buildings (Presentation)

These minute orders contain information concerning the receipt of bids for highway improvement contracts. The department may reschedule receipt of bids for those projects where the commission rejects all bids. Those bids accepted by the commission will result in conditional contract awards to the low bidders. Contract award conditions may involve securing funding from other sources, the contractor's ability to satisfy statutory requirements, or other requirements as outlined in the project bid proposal.

- a. **Highway Improvement and Other Transportation Facilities** (Minute Order)
- b. **Routine Maintenance** (Minute Order)
- c. **Construction and Rehabilitation of Buildings** ([Minute Order](#))

6. **Legislative Appropriations Request**

Consider the adoption of the department's fiscal year (FY) 2028-2029 Legislative Appropriations Request (LAR) ([Presentation](#)) ([Minute Order](#))

Every two years, the department is required to submit a LAR for the upcoming biennium for consideration by the Texas Legislature, outlining the department's requested funding levels, method of finance, and full-time equivalent positions associated with its strategies for the FY 2028-2029 Biennium.

7. **Unified Transportation Program**

Consider the approval of the 2027 Unified Transportation Program (UTP) (Presentation) ([Minute Order](#))

The UTP is a 10-year statewide plan for transportation project development. The Project Selection Process (PSP) is approved annually and describes the funding categories and process for selecting transportation projects. This minute order approves the 2027 UTP for FY 2027-2036, as well as the PSP for the 2027 UTP.

8. **Advisory Committees**

a. **Aviation Advisory Committee**

Consider the appointment of members to the Aviation Advisory Committee ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the reappointment of current members and appointment of new members to the Aviation Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee, created by state law, is to advise the commission and the department on aviation matters.

b. **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee**

Consider the appointment of members to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the reappointment of current members and appointment of new members to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee is to advise the commission on bicycle and pedestrian issues and matters of mutual concern between the department and the bicycling and pedestrian communities.

c. **Port Authority Advisory Committee**

Consider the appointment of members to the Port Authority Advisory Committee ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the reappointment of current members and the appointment of new members to the Port Authority Advisory Committee. The purpose of the committee, created by state law, is to offer advice and recommendations that will provide the commission and the department with a broad perspective regarding maritime ports and transportation-related matters to be considered in formulating department policies concerning the Texas maritime port system.

9. **Aviation** ([Presentation](#))

a. **Aviation Capital Improvement Program**

Consider approval of the Aviation Capital Improvement Program ([Minute Order](#))

The department is required to prepare and update annually a multi-year aviation facilities capital improvement program. The department is seeking the commission's approval of this program.

b. **Routine Airport Maintenance Program**

Consider approval of the Routine Airport Maintenance Program ([Minute Order](#))

State law authorizes the award of state funding for routine airport maintenance projects. The recommended airports are eligible for the award of these grant funds, and the Aviation Division seeks approval of the awards for FY 2027. Funds for these awards were appropriated by the General Appropriations Act, 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, for the FY 2026-2027 Biennium.

c. **Various Counties** - Consider the award of federal non-primary entitlement grant funding, federal apportionment grant funding, Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act (IIJA) grant funding, and state grant funding for airport improvement projects at various locations ([Minute Order](#))

Federal law authorizes the award of federal non-primary entitlement grant funding, federal apportionment grant funding, and IIJA grant funding to preserve and improve the state's general aviation system. State law authorizes the award of state grant funding for capital improvement projects.

10. **Fiscal Year 2027 Audit Plan**

Consider the approval of the Internal Audit Plan for FY 2027 and determine whether adequate resources have been dedicated to the Internal Audit Program ([Presentation](#)) ([Minute Order](#))

State law requires the internal auditor to create an annual audit plan that is prepared using risk assessment techniques and that identifies the individual audits to be conducted during the year. The Internal Audit Plan must be approved by the commission. In addition, the commission must review the resources dedicated to the Internal Audit Program and determine if adequate resources exist to ensure that risks identified in the annual risk assessment are covered in a reasonable timeframe.

11. **Maritime**

Financial Assistance for Seaport Connectivity Program Project Calhoun County - Consider approval of the transfer of unused funds from a Seaport Connectivity Program project, approved by the commission on August 21, 2025 by Minute Order 117005 to finance another state highway improvement project ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order will authorize transferring the previously approved funds for the Mike Carrell Road Access Improvements project at the Port of Corpus Christi Authority to finance a state highway improvement project that provides port connectivity. Rider 36 in the General Appropriations Act, 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, authorizes the department to provide funding in an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 in the FY 2026-2027 Biennium from any available source of revenue and/or balances in the Texas Mobility Fund 365 for public roadway projects selected by the Port Authority Advisory Committee and approved by the commission to improve connectivity to Texas ports.

12. **State Infrastructure Bank**

Various Counties - Consider approval of applications for State Infrastructure Bank loans from various applicants ([Presentation](#)) ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order will authorize the executive director or their designee to enter into a financial assistance agreement with each applicant pursuant to the terms of this minute order and 43 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 6.

13. **Eminent Domain Proceedings**

Various Counties - Consider the authorization of the filing of condemnation proceedings to acquire real property by eminent domain for non-controlled and controlled access highways ([Minute Order](#))

Commission findings, determinations, and authorizations for the state, by motion made in accordance with Senate Bill 18, 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, to acquire by eminent domain, upon the payment of adequate and just compensation, various ownership interests in specific parcels of real property that are needed to develop or improve both non-controlled and controlled access state highways, to include requesting the state attorney general to bring and pursue condemnation suits relating to those specific parcels of real property.

14. **Routine Minute Orders and Reports**

a. **Donations to the Department**

Various Districts - Consider the acknowledgment of donations with a value of \$500 or more, including donations of money, materials, services, or real property, that are made to the department for the purpose of assisting the department in carrying out its functions and duties or for improving access to or from a highway on the state highway system ([Minute Order](#)) *State statutes require the commission to acknowledge the acceptance of a gift to the department that is valued at \$500 or more. By the adoption of this minute order, the commission acknowledges the receipt and acceptance of the property specified in the minute order.*

b. **Real Estate Dispositions**

The commission must approve the sales, transfers, and exchanges of state rights of way and other real properties that are no longer needed for a state highway purpose. It must also approve, accept, and acknowledge donations to the state of real property that is valued at \$500 or more.

- (1) **Cooke County** - Farm to Market Road (FM) 373 - Consider the sale of right of way to an abutting landowner ([Minute Order](#))

The Wichita Falls District has recommended that the commission determine that the land is no longer needed for highway purposes. An abutting landowner has requested to purchase the land, and it may be sold to the requester.

- (2) **Hidalgo County** - United States Highway (US) 281 - Consider the rescission of Minute Order 117019, dated August 21, 2025, authorizing the sale of right of way to the successful bidder ([Minute Order](#))
The counterparty failed to provide payment required to complete the acquisition of the real property.
- (3) **Hill County** - FM 934 - Consider the sale of right of way to an abutting landowner ([Minute Order](#))
The Waco District has recommended that the commission determine that the land is no longer needed for highway purposes. An abutting landowner has requested to purchase the land, and it may be sold to the requester.
- (4) **McLennan County** - Interstate Highway (I) 35 - Consider the sale of right of way to an abutting landowner ([Minute Order](#))
The Waco District has recommended that the commission determine that the land is no longer needed for highway purposes. An abutting landowner has requested to purchase the land, and it may be sold to the requester.
- (5) **Tarrant County** - FM 1938 - Consider easement releases to the underlying fee owner ([Minute Order](#))
The Fort Worth District has recommended that the commission determine that the easements are no longer needed for highway purposes. The easements may be released to the underlying fee owner.

c. **Reports**

(1) **Compliance Division Report**

State law requires the commission to establish a compliance program, which must include a compliance division to oversee the program. The Compliance Division is responsible for acting to prevent and detect serious breaches of the department's policy, fraud, waste, and abuse of office, including any acts of criminal conduct within the department. The Compliance Division is required to provide a monthly report to the commission regarding investigations and a summary of information relating to trends and recommendations.

(2) **Quarterly Investment Report**

Quarterly Investment Report for all of the funds invested at the direction of the commission ([Report](#))

This is a quarterly investment report for the investment of: (1) funds held by the Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee, under the Indenture of Trust securing the Central Texas Turnpike System toll revenue obligations; (2) funds for the custodial accounts under the Master Lockbox and Custodial Account Agreement held by the Bank of New York Mellon, acting as custodian; (3) funds held by Amegy Bank, a Division of ZB, National Association, as trustee, under the Trust Agreement securing the I-35E Managed Lanes Project toll revenue obligations; and (4) funds held by U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, under the Master Trust Agreement securing the State Highway (SH) 249 System toll revenue obligations.

d. **Finance**

(1) **Annual Budget**

Consider the adoption of the FY 2027 department budget ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order adopts the department's annual budget as prescribed by the General Appropriations Act.

(2) **Dallas and Denton Counties**

Consider the approval of the I-35E Managed Lanes Project annual budget ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the annual budget of revenues, operating and maintenance expenses, and capital expenditures for the I-35E Managed Lanes Project in Dallas and Denton counties. The commission financed a portion of the costs of the I-35E project with a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan. The trust agreement for the loan stipulates that the commission will adopt an annual fiscal year budget by August 31 of the preceding fiscal year.

(3) **Grimes and Montgomery Counties**

Consider the approval of the State Highway (SH) 249 System (system) annual budget ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the annual budget of revenues, operating and maintenance expenses, major maintenance expenditures, and capital expenditures for the system. The commission financed a portion of the costs of the system with obligations issued pursuant to a trust agreement. The trust agreement stipulates that the commission will adopt an annual fiscal year budget for the system by August 31 of the preceding fiscal year.

(4) **Travis and Williamson Counties**

Consider the approval of the Central Texas Turnpike System (CTTS) annual budget ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order approves the annual budget of operating and maintenance expenses and capital expenditures for the CTTS which consists of SH 130 Segments 1-4, SH 45N, SH 45SE, and Loop 1 extension. Some costs of the CTTS were financed with debt obligations. The CTTS Indenture of Trust stipulates that the commission will adopt an annual fiscal year budget by August 31 of the preceding fiscal year.

e. **Toll Operations**

I-635 East Express Lanes - Consider the operating parameters for the I-635 East Express Lanes in Dallas County ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order confirms the department's operation of the I-635 Express Lanes in accordance with the Regional Transportation Council's managed lane policies and restricts the department's tolling of the express lanes to two lanes at any given time.

f. **Land Acquisition**

Hockley County - Consider the grant of authority to the department to acquire real property for facilities ([Minute Order](#))

The department is in the process of acquiring real property for the construction of new facilities and the expansion of existing facility sites. Funds for the purchase of these properties were appropriated by General Appropriations Act, 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025, for the FY 2026-2027 Biennium. The department requests the commission's authorization to enter into purchase contracts and related documents to complete the acquisition of the listed properties.

g. **Highway Designation**

Wise County - In Wise County, consider the removal of a segment of Business United States Highway (BU) 380-F from the state highway system and the redesignation of a segment of BU 380-F to follow FM 51 ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order removes a segment of BU 380-F extending from FM 51 eastward to US 380, approximately 0.5 miles, from the state highway system and redesignates a segment of BU 380-F to follow FM 51 from its intersection northeastward to US 380, approximately 0.3 miles.

h. **Transportation Planning**

Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Toll Facilities - Various

Counties - Consider concurrence with the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments' funding of construction and other project development costs of projects to be advanced through the use of payments received from the regional toll projects, in accordance with their respective project agreements ([Minute Order](#))

The department has established separate funds to account for and track projects and project costs funded with surplus toll revenue and Comprehensive Development Agreement concession payments from the LBJ East, North Tarrant Express (NTE) Segment 3 and SH 121 projects. This minute order consolidates the Regional Toll Revenue items and authorizes the funding of eligible projects and project costs. The projects and associated costs to be funded were identified through a cooperative process with the Regional Transportation Council.

i. **Speed Zones**

Various Counties - Consider the establishment or alteration of regulatory and construction speed zones on various sections of highways in the state ([Minute Order](#))

This minute order establishes or alters regulatory and construction speed zones on various sections of highways in the state.

15. **Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 551 §551.071**

Consultation with and advice from legal counsel regarding any item on this agenda, pending or contemplated litigation, or other legal matters.

Open Comment Period

At the conclusion of all other agenda items, the commission will allow an open comment period, not to exceed one hour, to receive public comment on any other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the department. No action will be taken. Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Speakers must be signed up prior to the beginning of the open comment period.

Adjournment