

# NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Minutes — April 28, 2022

Transportation Council Room | 616 Six Flags Drive | Arlington, Texas

President Sweet called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 1:00 pm on April 28, 2022.

### Members of the Board Present:

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| 1. David Sweet    | 7. Clyde Hairston   |
| 2. Bill Heidemann | 8. Chris Hill       |
| 3. Alfonso Campos | 9. Clay Jenkins     |
| 4. Jorja Clemson  | 10. Cara Mendelsohn |
| 5. Michael Crain  | 11. Bobbie Mitchell |
| 6. Kevin Falconer |                     |

### Members of the Board Absent:

1. Andrew Piel
2. Ray Smith
3. Rick Carmona
4. Kayci Prince
5. Glen Whitley
6. Glenn Rogers

### Members of the Staff Present:

Mike Eastland, Molly Rendon, Tim Barbee, Doni Green, Michael Morris, Edith Marvin, Phedra Redifer, Christy Williams, Lucille Johnson, Jerri Watson, Ken Kirkpatrick, James Powell, Charles Covert, Chris Klaus, Randy Richardson, Jonathan Blackman, Deborah Kosarek, Kelly Schmidt, Maribel Martinez, Emily Beckham

### Visitors Present:

Will Allen, EMC | City of Burleson; April Greenhill, Chief Admin | Denton County; Grant Keyes, Business Research Manager | Kiewit Corporation

## REGULAR SESSION

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

President Sweet opened the meeting for public comment and asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak. There being no one, he proceeded with the meeting.

### ACTION:

#### **Item 1 Approval of Minutes**

President Sweet stated that the first item on the agenda was approval of the minutes from the March Board meeting.

Upon a Motion by Mayor Heidemann (seconded by Mayor Hairston), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the minutes of the March Executive Board meeting.

#### **Item 2 Resolution To Accept And Approve The Quarterly Investment Report**

Molly Rendon, Director of Administration, presented the Quarterly Investment Report for Board acceptance and approval and showing the investment activity for the quarter that ended March 31, 2022. She explained that the report is required by the Investment Policy and complies with the Public Funds Investment Act. She also provided a supplementary schedule showing the State's investment activity for Regional Toll Revenue funds as well as the NTTA Hwy 161 funds.

Exhibit: 2022-04-02-AA

*Councilmember Mendelsohn entered the meeting.*

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Clemson (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 3 Resolution Endorsing a Contract with Optiv Security Inc. for Regional NIST Assessments**

Maribel Martinez, Manager of Emergency Preparedness, requested Board endorsement with Optiv Security Inc. for Regional NIST Assessments for nine (9) jurisdictions in an amount not to exceed \$120,000. The State Homeland Security Grant Program project is 100% funded with no local cost-share or match requirements and will utilize DIR Contract TSO-4133.

Identified Jurisdictions are as follows:

Town of Prosper  
City of Midlothian  
Erath County  
City of The Colony  
City of Euless  
City of Allen  
Kaufman County  
City of Grand Prairie  
City of Irving

Exhibit: 2022-04-03-EP

Upon a Motion by Judge Hill (seconded by Judge Campos), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 4 This Item was withdrawn.**

**Item 5 Resolution Accepting the City of Burleson's Disaster Debris Management Plan**

Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development, requested Board acceptance of the City of Burleson's Disaster Debris Management Plan as consistent with the regional solid waste management plan, *Planning for Sustainable Materials Management in North Central Texas, 2015-2040*. The *Disaster Debris Management Plan* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas and was accepted by the Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region. It has been adopted by The City of Burleson and will be transmitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for final state agency acceptance.

The Plan can be found under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

Exhibit: 2022-04-05-ED

Upon a Motion by Mayor Hairston (seconded by Councilmember Crain), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 6 Resolution Accepting the City of Southlake's Disaster Debris Management Plan**

Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development, requested Board acceptance of the City of Southlake's Disaster Debris Management Plan as consistent with the regional solid waste management plan, *Planning for Sustainable Materials Management in North Central Texas, 2015-2040*. The *Disaster Debris Management Plan* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas and was accepted by the Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region. It has been adopted by The City of Southlake and will be transmitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for final state agency acceptance.

The Plan can be found under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

Exhibit: 2022-04-06-ED

Upon a Motion by Judge Campos (seconded by Mayor Hairston), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 7 Resolution Accepting the City of Euless' Multi-City Disaster Debris Management Plan**

Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development, requested Board acceptance of the City of Euless' Multi-City Disaster Debris Management Plan for the cities of Bedford, Colleyville, Euless, Grapevine, and Hurst as consistent with the regional solid waste management plan, *Planning for Sustainable Materials Management in North Central Texas, 2015-2040*. The *Multi-City Disaster Debris Management Plan* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas and was accepted by the Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region. It has been adopted by each of the partnering cities and will be transmitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for final state agency acceptance.

The Plan can be found under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

Exhibit: 2022-04-07-ED

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Clemson (seconded by Councilmember Crain), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 8 Resolution Accepting the City of Garland's Recycling and Waste Minimization Technical Study**

Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development, requested Board acceptance of the City of Garland's *Recycling and Waste Minimization Technical Study* as consistent with the regional solid waste management plan, *Planning for Sustainable Materials Management in North Central Texas, 2015-2040*. The *Recycling and Waste Minimization Technical Study* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas and was accepted by the Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region. The plan was approved by the City of Garland and will be transmitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for final state agency acceptance.

The Plan can be found under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

Exhibit: 2022-04-08-ED

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Crain (seconded by Mayor Falconer), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 9 Resolution Endorsing Fiscal Year 2022 RAISE Grant Applications Submitted to the United States Department of Transportation**

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board endorsement of (3) three grant applications to the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) under the FY2022 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant Program in the amount of \$95 million, as detailed in Attachment 1, approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC). Staff will work with USDOT and partner agencies to determine the most efficient methods to bring those funds to the region and implement proposed projects.

# Proposed NCTCOG RAISE Grant Projects

## Complete List & Attributes

PROJECT		EAST/ WEST	PREVIOUS SUBMITTAL (Agency)	COST/FUNDING STATUS					
TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS			TOTAL COST	GRANT FUNDS	LOCAL FUNDS <sup>1</sup>	NEW RTC FUNDS <sup>2</sup>	AVAILABLE FUNDS <sup>3</sup>	LEVERAGED FUNDS <sup>4</sup>
<b>South Dallas Improved Bicycle/ Pedestrian Routes to Rail &amp; Transit Technology Upgrades</b>	Construct new active transportation accessibility links (sidewalks/trails), safety accommodations, bus stop amenities, transit technology upgrades, & job-housing balance policy applications for locations near four DART Blue Line light rail stations in the East Oak Cliff area of South Dallas	EAST	N/A	\$43.75 M	\$25.0 M	\$8.75 M <sup>A</sup>	\$10.0 M <sup>A</sup>		\$6.05 M <sup>A</sup>
<b>South Dallas County Inland Port Multimodal Connectivity</b>	Reconstruct Belt Line Road, Sunrise Road, & Ferris Road for improved Inland Port multimodal capacity & access to/from IH 35E, IH 45, & Loop 9; Add 5.1 miles of new shared-use path to link with existing Pleasant Run Road path; implementation pilot for <i>Headlight</i> construction management software	EAST	TIGER 2016 (Dallas County)	\$82.53 M	\$45.0 M	\$15.0 M <sup>B</sup>	\$12.53 M <sup>B</sup>	\$10.0 M <sup>A</sup>	
<b>International Parkway Advanced Mobility Program</b>	Reconstruct aging International Parkway general purpose lane bridges, and rebuild/reconfigure Terminal A/B ramps for right-side accessibility, to improve safety, reliability, & initiate advancement of the DFW Airport Autonomous Vehicle Corridor	BOTH	BUILD 2020 (DFW Airport)	\$50.9M	\$25.0 M			\$25.9M <sup>B</sup>	

1. A. – \$5.75 M City of Dallas, \$3.0 M DART; B. – \$3.1 M Dallas County, \$1.845 M DART, \$7.25 M City of Wilmer, \$7.65 M City of Lancaster, \$2.8 M Franchise Utilities
2. A. – \$5.0 M CMAQ, \$5.0 M RTB; B. – \$12.53 M STBG (includes 4.91 M 4.27M TDCs)
3. A. – \$8.0 M STBG (Cat 7), \$2.0 M Dallas County; B. – \$25.9 M DFW Airport Joint Capital Account Funds (includes added locally-funded project items compared to what was reported for STTC Action)
4. A. – \$6.05 M from previous project awards (slide #3)

Exhibit: 2022-04-09-TR

*Judge Jenkins entered the meeting.*

Upon a Motion by Mayor Hairston (seconded by Councilmember Mendelsohn), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

### Item 10 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for the Receipt of Funds from the Federal Transit Administration for Previously Approved Regional Vanpool Program

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization to receive Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds, in the amount of approximately \$1.2 million, from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for the Regional Vanpool Program. He explained that in November 2021, the Board previously approved receipt of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funding for Fiscal Year 2022 from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Regional Vanpool Program; but for consistency with other Regional Vanpool efforts, and to begin administrative framework, NCTCOG requested that the FTA provide the federal administration and oversight of these grant funds. The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved an amendment to transfer funding to the FTA and utilize 240,000 of RTC Transportation Development Credits to satisfy the match requirement.

Exhibit: 2022-04-10-TR

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Clemson (seconded by Councilmember Crain), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

### Item 11 Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Dallas, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, and Texas Department of Transportation for the Revised DART D2 Subway Alignment

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization to enter an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Dallas, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART), and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the Revised DART D2 Subway Alignment to support the development and implementation of the revised DART D2 Subway alignment consistent with the responsibilities outlined below.

- Incorporate D2 funding commitments in appropriate future Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program updates

- Continue the collaborative working relationship to promote a holistic planning vision for D2 and all transportation projects in and around the Dallas Central Business District
- Provide appropriate NCTCOG staff and/or funding support to DART and the City for completion of scenario planning and/or traffic analyses related to light rail transit operations through downtown Dallas
- Explore opportunities for RTC participation in funding for interim roadway or IH 345 improvements that may be required to accommodate D2
- Explore opportunities for RTC participation in funding for D2
- Continue to support both the D2 and the IH 345 projects to maximize funding opportunities and advance the two projects through implementation
- Lead cooperation efforts with stakeholders to develop a coordinated vision for improved rail operations that would allow for double tracking the light rail transit connection at the West End junction

Option 3-7a was recommended and approved by the Dallas City Council, DART, and TxDOT as the preferred option for the east end of the D2 Subway. NCTCOG has no financial obligation under the proposed Interlocal Agreement.

Exhibit: 2022-04-11-TR

Upon a Motion by Judge Jenkins (seconded by Councilmember Crain), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 12      Resolution Approving Modifications to the FY2022 and FY2023 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning**

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board approval for the proposed modifications to the FY2022 and FY2023 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning (UPWP). Included in these amendments are new initiatives, project updates, and funding adjustments approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC). The UPWP provides a summary of the transportation and related air quality planning tasks to be conducted by Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) staff.

Exhibit: 2022-04-12-TR

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Crain (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 13      Resolution Endorsing FY 2023 Criminal Justice Priorities for North Central Texas**

Kelly Schmidt, Criminal Justice Program Administrator, explained that under an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Office of the Governor’s Public Safety Office (PSO), NCTCOG is responsible for determining regional criminal justice priorities. Priorities are submitted annually to the PSO, which provides funds for local project implementation each year. She presented the FY 2023 Criminal Justice priority projects, which are attached to the Resolution for Board endorsement. Applications are reviewed, discussed, and scored by NCTCOG’s Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee (CJPDC). Priority lists are developed based on high to low scores in each of five categories.

**Criminal Justice Program - Justice Assistance Grant:**

Projected Funding:	<b>\$2.180M</b>
Recommended Non-competing Continuation grants (6 projects):	\$469K
Recommended New or Renewal Requests (25 projects):	\$1.711M
Balance:	\$ 0

**General Victim Assistance\*:**

Projected Funding:	<b>\$27.1M</b>
Recommended Non-competing Continuation grants (47 projects):	\$13.7M
Recommended New or Renewal Requests (35 projects):	\$13.5M
Balance:	(\$100K)

**Juvenile Justice\*:**

Projected Funding:	<b>\$754K</b>
Recommended Non-competing Continuation grants (9 projects):	\$798K
Recommended New or Renewal Requests (1 project):	\$100K

Balance: (\$144K)

**Truancy Prevention:**

Projected Funding: **\$459K**  
Recommended Non-competing Continuation grants (2 projects): \$383K  
Recommended New or Renewal Requests (1 project): \$76K  
Balance: \$ 0

**Violence Against Women\*:**

Projected Funding: **\$1.209M**  
Recommended Non-competing Continuation grants (8 projects): \$678K  
Recommended New or Renewal Requests (6 projects): \$544K  
Balance: (\$13K)

\*All projects meeting the pass/fail threshold in these categories will be recommended for funding, should the allocation increase.

Exhibit: 2022-04-13-CJ

Upon a Motion by Mayor Hairston (seconded by Mayor Falconer), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 14 Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Allocations for Aging Transportation Services**

Doni Green, Director of Aging, requested Board authorization for the allocation of supplemental funds to four (4) of its transportation subrecipients for Aging transportation services as follows:

• Public Transit Services:	\$ 26,000
• Senior Center Resources and Public Transit:	\$200,000
• Somervell County Committee on Aging:	\$ 10,000
• STAR Transit:	\$ 40,000
TOTAL	\$276,000

She explained that the Board authorized pass-through funding of approximately \$4,152,425 per annum to nutrition and transportation subrecipients in 2019 based on estimated funding figures provided by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC). She further explained that as a result of additional AAA funding through the CARES Act and American Rescue Act during FY 2021 and 2022, an additional \$276,000 in current year funding would be dedicated to transportation services, increasing that program's budget from \$400,000 to \$676,000. The supplemental allocations will assist the subrecipients which are positioned to exceed the terms of their performance-based agreements and render eligible services that are not reimbursed by other federal, state, or local grants.

Exhibit: 2022-04-14-AG

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Councilmember Crain), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

**Item 15 Resolution Authorizing Additional Staff Positions for the Aging Department**

Doni Green, Director of Aging, requested Board authorization for (2) two additional positions for the Aging department as follows:

- A full-time Information, Referral and Assistance Specialist to help older adults and family caregivers access health and social services, budgeted at \$45,000 per annum
- A part-time Grant Manager to manage NCTCOG's ACL grant, entitled Dementia Friendly North Central/East Texas, budgeted at \$27,000 per annum

She explained that the Area Agency on Aging (AAA), receives federal and state funding through the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), a portion of which must be dedicated to Information. This program is currently staffed by subrecipients, but they are no longer able to respond to the growing number of requests for

services and particularly, on a timely basis. This has created a need for the full-time Referral and Assistance Specialist. The part-time Grant Manager will administer a federal award by the Administration for Community Living to expand support services for people with dementia and their caregivers.

Exhibit: 2022-04-15-AG

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Mendelsohn (seconded by Mayor Hairston), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

### **Item 16 Appointments to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC)**

Doni Green, Director of Aging, requested that the Board appoint two new members to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC) for a term based on staggered three-year terms with approximately one-third of the membership appointed each year. The RAAC currently has seven vacancies. This Committee assists the Executive Board in the development and implementation of the Area Agency on Aging plan for persons sixty years old and over in the 14 counties adjacent to Dallas and Tarrant Counties.

The new members are as follows:

- Collin County: Cathie Alexander of Plano (first-time nominee)
- Hood County: John Campbell of Granbury (re-nominee)

Exhibit: 2022-04-16-AG

Upon a Motion by Judge Hill (seconded by Mayor Hairston), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the appointments as presented.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

### **Item 17 Old and New Business**

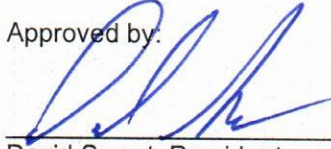
Mike Eastland announced that this would be Mayor Falconer's last official Board meeting. He and President Sweet thanked him for his dedicated service on the Board.

### **Item 18 Attendance and Calendar**

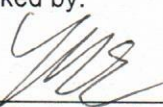
The Board was provided with a Calendar of meeting and a record of Attendance.

President Sweet adjourned the meeting at 1:54 p.m.

Approved by:

  
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David Sweet, President  
North Central Texas Council of Governments  
Rockwall County Judge

Checked by:

  
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Mike Eastland, Executive Director  
North Central Texas Council of Governments