



**Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC) Meeting
NCTCOG / Transportation Council Room
December 7, 2023
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Minutes**

Pledge to United States and Texas Flags (9:38 AM)

EPPC Council

Welcome New Members & Opening Remarks (9:39 AM)

Larry Woolley, EPPC Chair

Introduction of Attendees (9:41 AM)

Roll Call – Omitted due to Introduction of Attendees

Approval of September 2023 Meeting Minutes (9:47 AM)



EPPC Members

- **Motion:** Steven Harrison made a motion to approve the September 2023 EPPC meeting minutes, the motion was seconded by Perry Bynum. The motion carried.

Business Items (9:47 AM)



EPPC Members

- Approval of EPPC Funding Committee Prioritization and Allocations for the 2024 SHSP Projects
 - **Motion:** Darrell Hale made a motion to approve the EPPC Funding Committee Prioritization and Allocations for the 2024 SHSP Projects in addition to the Additional Funding Priorities, the motion was seconded by Bobbie Mitchell. The motion carried.
- Approval of EPPC Funding Committee to Change Allocations if Needed.
 - **Motion:** Kyle Butler made a motion to approve the EPPC Funding Committee to change allocations if needed, the motion was seconded by Patrick Kelly. The motion carried.
- EPPC Chairs Approval to Submit SHSP Applications
 - **Motion:** Crystal Chism made a motion to approve the EPPC Chair's approval to submit SHSP Applications, the motion was seconded by Kyle Butler. The motion carried.
- Approval of EPPC Bylaws Changes
 - **Motion:** Ron Jensen made a motion to approve the EPPC Bylaw changes, the motion was seconded by Steven Harrison. The motion carried.

Administrative Business (10:27 AM)

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- SHSP Grants Dashboard
 - Grants Dashboard – most of the projects have been completed. We are ensuring all invoices have been submitted. SWAT have completed the projects; we are waiting for reimbursement. Once we receive reimbursement, the dashboard will be updated. There will be very little money going back to the state. More updates will be provided at the next meeting.

Information Items (10:30 AM)

- SERI Grant (Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure)
 - This is for radio infrastructure (no handheld radios).
 - This is a state program that is not tied into DHS.
 - This program will be offered in January and will close in March of 2024.
 - Estimated \$20 million in funds available.

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- The only two entities that are eligible for this grant are COG's and state agencies.
- For COG to properly administer the grant, the following rules apply:
 - Will need to sign an ILA stating that the applying jurisdiction will pay for all items up-front, and then submit for reimbursement through COG.
 - You have not entered into any contract prior to being awarded.
 - The minimum project amount is \$500K. We will probably have project caps expected this year.
- Once Grant Guidance is released, we will send it out to the listserv.
- State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Justin Cox, NCTCOG
 - Texas is being allocated \$40 million over four years.
 - There is a match requirement that starts at 10% in FY22, and then goes up by 10% every year after.
 - Local jurisdictions, community colleges, and ISD's are eligible applicants.
 - Expecting guidance from OOG in Jan/Feb.
- Mitigation Planning Funding Alyana Payne, NCTCOG
 - The Texas General Land Office has a Local Hazardous Mitigation Plans Program
 - The COG is not the grant administrator of this program, but your jurisdiction can apply.
 - It is a \$25 million Hazardous Mitigation Plans program.
 - Utilizing this grant can help cover any required local cost share.
 - The LHMPP is a reimbursement program. The jurisdiction pays out-of-pocket, and then requests reimbursement.
 - To be reimbursed, the awardee must submit deliverables and all associated invoices to GLO.
 - You must be a local government entity to apply.
 - You must be current with any Federal debt.
 - You must be a Federal declared county.

COG Updates / Announcements (10:43 AM)

NCTCOG Staff

- Alayna Payne is doing some contract work including ILA.
- We are 100% staffed.
- TEEX Tabletop – one day training
- We are working on the THIRA, SPR, and Implementation Plan.

Upcoming Events (10:47 AM)

EPPC Funding Committee (If needed)	January 24, 2024
REPAC Meeting	February 1, 2024
UAWG Meeting	February 1, 2024
Emergency Management Association of Texas (EMAT) Conference, San Marcos, TX	March 3-6, 2024

Member Comments / Public Comments Resources (10:49 AM)

- September 2023 Meeting Minutes
- EPPC Bylaws
- EPPC Roster
- Alternate Nomination Form
- Code of Conduct
- Emergency Preparedness: www.nctcog.org/ep/
- State Training Website: www.preparingtexas.org

Next Meeting

March 21, 2024

NCTCOG Transportation Council Room

Networking: 9:00 AM

Meeting: 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM