

# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** Transportation and Mobility Committee

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Razi Hosseini, P.E., R.P.L.S., Director/City Engineer

**COUNCIL DISTRICT IMPACTED:** Citywide

#### **SUBJECT:**

Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Board

#### **SUMMARY:**

Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) will provide a briefing will provide a briefing to the City Council Transportation & Mobility Committee on the AAMPO Transportation Policy Board, including an overview of its current structure and appointment process.

#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

A Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is an agency created by federal law to provide local direction for urban transportation planning and the allocation of federal transportation funds to cities with populations greater than 50,000. There are about 400 MPOs across the country. The MPO's mission is to provide a comprehensive, coordinated and continuous ("3C") transportation planning process for the safe and efficient movement of people and goods, consistent with the region's overall economic goals.

The Alamo Area MPO (AAMPO) includes all of Bexar, Comal, and Guadalupe Counties, and a portion of Kendall County. The AAMPO develops transportation plans and programs to address the needs of greater San Antonio area. The Transportation Policy Board (TPB) leads the MPO and decides how federal and state transportation funds will be allocated for the region. The TPB is comprised of fourteen elected and seven appointed officials representing the Advanced Transportation District, Bexar County, Comal County, City of Boerne, City of San Antonio, City of Seguin, Guadalupe County, Greater Bexar County Council of Cities, Northeast Partnership, Texas Department of Transportation, and VIA Metropolitan Transit.

The purpose of the TPB is to oversee the continuous, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning process conducted for the metropolitan area. The TPB must approve all transportation projects in the region for federal funding, altogether over \$200 million in projects annually. The TPB is supported by an MPO staff of fourteen, receives technical advice from the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and alternative transportation recommendations from the Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee (BMAC) and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee (PMAC).

#### **ISSUE:**

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#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

This is a briefing only.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

This is a briefing only.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

This is a briefing only.