

These are the minutes of the workshop meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission held on July 27, 2016, in Austin, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Chairman Lewis with the following commissioners present:

Texas Transportation Commission:

Tryon D. Lewis	Chairman
Jeff Austin, III	Commissioner
Victor Vandergriff	Commissioner
J. Bruce Bugg	Commissioner
Laura Ryan	Commissioner

Administrative Staff:

James Bass, Executive Director
 Jeff Graham, General Counsel
 Robin Carter, Commission Chief Clerk

A public notice of this meeting containing all items on the proposed agenda was filed in the Office of the Secretary of State at 11:48 a.m. on July 19, 2016, as required by Government Code, Chapter 551, referred to as “The Open Meetings Act.”

ITEM 1. Safety Briefing

This item was presented by Chief Administrative Officer Rich McMonagle.

ITEM 2. Discussion Items

a. Interstate 35 Corridor Update (Presentation)

This item was introduced and presented by Project Planning and Development Director Lauren Garduno. Director Garduno, Chief Engineer Bill Hale, Wichita Falls District Engineer Larry Tegtmeyer, Fort Worth District Engineer Brian Barth, Dallas District Engineer Kelly Selman, Waco District Engineer Bobby Littlefield, Austin District Engineer Terry McCoy, San Antonio District Engineer Mario Jorge, and Laredo District Engineer Pete Alvarez each contributed information and discussed the I-35 corridor with commissioners. The commission also heard comments from Jessica Attas, Director of Public Policy for the Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce.

b. Internal department budget (Presentation)

This item was presented by Chief Financial Officer Brian Ragland.

ITEM 3. Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 551

a. Section 551.071 - Consultation with and advice from legal counsel regarding any item on this agenda, pending or contemplated litigation, or other legal matters.

The commission did not meet in executive session.

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.

The commission received no further comments.

Commissioner Ryan motioned adjournment and Commissioner Bugg seconded the motion. The commission voted 5 - 0 to adjourn. The workshop meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission was adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

APPROVED:



Tryon D. Lewis, Chairman
Texas Transportation Commission

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pages constitute the full, true, and correct record of all proceedings and official records of the Texas Transportation Commission at its workshop meeting on July 27, 2016, in Austin, Texas.



Robin Carter, Commission Chief Clerk
Texas Department of Transportation