

These are the minutes of the workshop meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission held on January 30, 2019, in Austin, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Bugg with the following commissioners present:

**Texas Transportation Commission:**

J. Bruce Bugg, Jr.	Chairman
Jeff Austin, III	Commissioner
Laura Ryan	Commissioner
Alvin New	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 2:16 p.m. on January 22, 2019, as required by Government Code, Chapter 551, referred to as “The Open Meetings Act.”

**ITEM 1. Safety Briefing**

Executive Director Bass directed that the Greer building safety video be shown on the screens in the Ric Williamson hearing room.

**ITEM 2. Statewide Connectivity (Presentation)**

**a. Rural Interstates**

This discussion was led by District Operations Director Randy Hopmann. The commission asked questions and discussed the progress of rural interstates and the work of staff. In addition to Director Hopmann, Branch Manager Roger Beall spoke briefly from the audience in response to commission questions.

**b. Trunk System**

This discussion was led by Project Planning and Development Director Brian Barth. The commission asked questions and discussed the progress of rural interstates and the work of staff. In addition to Director Barth, Branch Manager Roger Beall and Deputy Executive Director Marc Williams spoke briefly from the audience in response to commission questions.

Public comments on this agenda item were received from private citizen and engineer Don Dixon.

**ITEM 3. TxDOTConnect (Status update and demonstration)**

This discussion was led by Project Planning and Development Director Brian Barth. Joining Director Barth was MPPM Project Director Erika Kemp, who demonstrated and explained the live TxDOTConnect system. Ms. Kemp also introduced and acknowledged the work of Information Management Division Section Director of Strategy and Portfolio, Cassie Jordan. The commission asked questions and discussed the system and the work of staff.

**ITEM 4. Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 551 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 New seconded the motion. The commission voted 4 - 0 to adjourn. The workshop meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

APPROVED by the Texas Transportation Commission on February 28, 2019:



J. Bruce Bugg, Jr., Chairman  
Texas Transportation Commission

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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 January 30, 2019, in Austin, Texas.

  
Robin Carter, Commission Chief Clerk  
Texas Department of Transportation