

1 **MESILLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**
2 **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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4 The following are minutes for the meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee of the
5 Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) which was held February 4,
6 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in Commission Chambers at Dona Ana County Government Building,
7 845 Motel Blvd., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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9 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Gwynne (DAC Flood Commission)
10 Mike Bartholomew (CLC Transit)
11 Larry Shannon (Town of Mesilla)
12 Harold Love (NMDOT)
13 Eric Chavarria - proxy for Jolene Herrera (NMDOT)
14 Debbie Lujan (Town of Mesilla)
15 Rene Molina (DAC Engineering)
16 Todd Gregory (LCPS)
17 Tony Trevino (CLC Public Works)
18 SooGyu Lee (CLC)

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20 **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Stephen Howie (EBID)
21 David Armijo (SCRTD)
22 Bill Childress (BLM)
23 Dale Harrell (NMSU)

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25 **STAFF PRESENT:** Tom Murphy (MPO Staff)
26 Andrew Wray (MPO Staff)
27 Michael McAdams (MPO Staff)
28 Zach Tarachi (MPO Staff)

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30 **OTHERS PRESENT:** Becky Baum, RC Creations, LLC, Recording Secretary

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32 **1. CALL TO ORDER (4:00 p.m.)**

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34 Gwynne: Good afternoon. This is the February 4th meeting of the Metropolitan
35 Planning Organization for Mesilla Valley. Let's get started. I believe we
36 have a quorum.

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38 **2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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40 Gwynne: Let's start with, with Approval of, of Agenda.

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42 Wray: Thank you Mr. Chair. We do have a note that I left the Election of Officers
43 as an item on the agenda in error, so we'll be striking that but other than
44 that, that's the only change to the agenda.

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46 Gwynne: Okay. So that then will then renumber everything else, is that correct?

1 Bartholomew: I don't know if there was an actual error in the recording of the minutes. I
2 just think that the speaker had an error; it was from Mr. Armijo, from the
3 RT, he was talking about the startup of the RTD. He said the second
4 week of October and he, I just, it just, as clarification it was the second, it's
5 the second week of February I'm sure he meant. Also I had a question of
6 the MPO just as a, in the, in the minutes it reminded me that what was the,
7 with the University Avenue corridor, was that information about the traffic
8 study of the school added in to this, or comment about it into the study?
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10 Wray: I believe so. Yes.

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12 Bartholomew: Okay. Thank you.

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14 Gwynne: Okay. Do we have any other comments or from the, from the, from the
15 Board about the minutes? I'll entertain a motion that we approve them as
16 amended.
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18 Bartholomew: I, I move that we approve the, the minutes as amended.
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20 Shannon: I second.

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22 Gwynne: It's been moved and, and seconded. All those in favor?
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24 MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.
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26 Gwynne: Motion carries.
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28 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

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30 Gwynne: Do we have any public comment today? I don't see a rousing bunch of
31 public so I guess that says no.
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33 5. ACTION ITEMS

34 35 5.1 Amendments to the 2016-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

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37 Gwynne: Let's move on to number five; Action Items, Amendments to the 2016-
38 2021 Transportation Improvement Plan. And that's from staff.
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40 ANDREW WRAY GAVE PRESENTATION.
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42 Bartholomew: Thank you. And that's pretty much what it is. It's an obligated Federal
43 Fiscal Year '15 and it's related to the fact that not all of the transportation
44 funding was released until the last moment at, I believe in August for us to
45 apply for it in time. So that was why it had to be rolled over, carried over.
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2 Gwynne: Okay. Thank you. Dona Ana County.
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4 Molina: For project G10030, that's Dripping Springs, it's still in construction again.
5 You will like, see some delays as you progress through there. Project is
6 on schedule and is anticipated to be done somewhere in the April-May
7 time frame.
8 Project LC00110, working on right-of-way and environmental on
9 that project. We got comments are from DOT and so we're working
10 through that. Thanks.
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12 Gwynne: Thank you. Town of Mesilla.
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14 Lujan: Town of Mesilla doesn't have anything at this time.
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16 Gwynne: Okay. Las Cruces Public Schools.
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18 Gregory: All right. Yes. We're still doing our pedestrian and bicycle safety
19 education at the third grade level at school by school. We're still continue
20 our, our walk to school bus at our 18 elementary schools. We're still
21 working with updating the action plan with City staff and some of the
22 coalition members and we're also working on a presentation for the
23 National Safe Routes to School Conference in April. Ashleigh Curry will
24 be attending that. We're still having our coalition meetings, having great
25 discussion and moving forward. One of the other highlights that I noticed
26 was, at, was that some of the schools had put on a "warm and cozy walk"
27 with the students. They were encouraged to bring in you know knits and
28 mittens and scarves for the schools and those were donated to school
29 children there or to the local charities. And we're also doing a Scorpion
30 Bike Club at Picacho Middle School which is encouraging the middle
31 school students to properly ride the bikes safely. And I think that's it.
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33 Gwynne: Thank you. RoadRUNNER Transit.
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35 Bartholomew: In addition to the action that was taken regarding transit project TL0013
36 we'll, I'll need to do another request for the next quarter to make, change
37 that even a little bit further. TL0010 and TL0013 are actually the, the
38 formula funding we get and it's just the distribution between the, you know
39 what we do for operating in, in one project number and capital projects in
40 the other. And based on how the budgeting is going we're just finishing
41 that budgeting process in the City. I need to allocate more towards the
42 operating side so I'll be reducing the amount on the capital side. The total
43 amount between those two projects will remain the same though.
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45 Gwynne: Okay. Thank you. How about the South Central Regional Transit District?
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1 everyone mark a space on your calendars and be here. That can, I
2 believe that is all that we have for this month.
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4 **8. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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6 Gwynne: Okay. Let's move on to item number eight: Public Comment. Seeing
7 none.
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9 **9. ADJOURNMENT (4:25 p.m.)**

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11 Gwynne: I would entertain a motion for adjournment.
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13 Bartholomew: Just before we go, it, was there a sign-up list for the Committee
14 Members? It didn't, I didn't come by me.
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16 Wray: It's up there.
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18 Gwynne: There is.
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20 Bartholomew: Okay. I, I move that we adjourn.
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22 Gwynne: A second? Is there a second?
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24 Trevino: Second that.
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26 Gwynne: It's been moved and seconded. All in favor?
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28 **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.**
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30 Gwynne: We're adjourned. Thank you all.
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