

**MESILLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-11**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND SUBMITTING A MEMORANDUM  
OF AGREEMENT DEFINING THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF  
THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES AND THE MESILLA VALLEY  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO THE CITY OF LAS  
CRUCES**

The Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Board is informed that:

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of New Mexico designated the Las Cruces Metropolitan Planning Organization on February 10, 1982 to carry out the Federal planning requirements of 23 CFR 450.300 and 49 USC 5303; and

**WHEREAS**, the Las Cruces Metropolitan Planning Organization was renamed to be the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization via the Joint Powers Agreement of 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization has historically been housed within and treated as an organic part of the municipal government of the City of Las Cruces; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022 the City of Las Cruces requested that the MPO undertake a process to administratively separate from the City organization; and

**WHEREAS**, since this time the MPO has been working on implementing the requested separation; and

**WHEREAS**, an essential component of the separation is the establishment of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Mesilla Valley MPO and the City of Las Cruces to define the Fiscal Agent relationship between the MPO and the City of Las Cruces; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached Memorandum of Agreement provides all the necessary provisions to establish the Fiscal Agent relationship between the MPO and the City of Las Cruces; and

**WHEREAS**, the Policy Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the MPO that this resolution be APPROVED.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the Policy Board of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization:

**(I)**

**THAT** the Executive Committee of the Mesilla Valley MPO Policy Board perform the work necessary to convert the MPO Officer position into the MPO Executive Director position; and.

**(II)**


**THAT** staff is directed to submit the Memorandum of Agreement as contained in Exhibit "A" to the City of Las Cruces for approval by the Las Cruces City Council.

**(III)**


**THAT** MPO Staff are hereby authorized to take appropriate and legal actions to implement this Resolution.

**DONE** and **APPROVED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.

APPROVED:

  
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Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Executive Secretary

Motion By:	Commissioner Sanchez
Second By:	Trustee Johnson-Burick
VOTE:	
Chair Corran	Yes
Vice-Chair Schaljo-Hernandez	Yes
District Engineer Chavarria	Yes (Proxy Harold Love)
Mayor Enriquez	(Absent)
Mayor Hernandez	Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick	Yes
Councilor McClure	
Trustee Merrick	
Commissioner Sanchez	Yes
VACANT	