

MESILLA VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION NO. 26-08

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MPO TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE CITY OF LAS CRUCES, AND THE SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT FOR TRANSIT PLANNING PURPOSES

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to federal statutes, and as a requirement for obtaining federal transportation funds, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have established regulations requiring each metropolitan planning area, States, and public transportation providers to utilize a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive performance based multimodal transportation planning process to engage the citizenry and support metropolitan community development; and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.314(a) requires the metropolitan planning organization (MPO), the State, and providers of public transportation to determine their mutual responsibilities in a written agreement, including provisions for the development of financial plans for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Annual Listing of Obligated Projects (ALOP); and

WHEREAS, the current Federal surface transportation authorization (including any successor or reauthorization to the Infrastructure Investment and

Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58)) governs programs carried out under 23 U.S.C. and 49 U.S.C Chapter 53, and the parties (with responsibility) carry out metropolitan planning and programming consistent with 23 CFR 450 under the then-current authorization; and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.314(h) requires written provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing transportation performance data, selection and reporting of performance targets, reporting of performance towards critical outcomes for the MPO region, and collection of data for the State asset management plan for the National Highway System (NHS); and

WHEREAS, 23 CFR 450.316 and 450.326 require an MPO Public Participation Plan (PPP) and TIP public involvement, and FTA Circular 9050.1 permits a Section 5307 recipient to rely on the MPO TIP public participation process to satisfy Program of Projects (POP) requirements if the TIP/PPP explicitly states this reliance; and

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Transit District (SCRTD) and Roadrunner Transit are direct recipients of 5307 funds and coordinate with the Mesilla Valley MPO to program 5307 funds for the Mesilla Valley UZA; and

WHEREAS, the Mesilla Valley MPO receives metropolitan transportation planning funds under 49 U.S.C. 5303 to support the continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive metropolitan transportation planning process within the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Area, and as a recipient of such planning funds, is subject to the applicable federal metropolitan transportation planning requirements,

including 23 CFR 450; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the MPO for the Resolution to be approved.

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

(I)

THAT the Mesilla Valley MPO agrees to enter into this Memorandum of Understanding as attached in Exhibit "A" and made a part of this resolution.

(II)

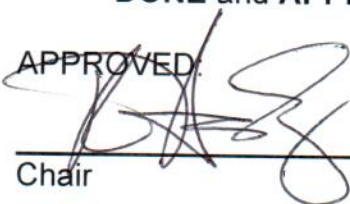
THAT the Governing Board authorizes the MPO Chair to sign this Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Mesilla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization.

(III)

THAT staff is directed to take appropriate and legal actions to implement this Resolution.

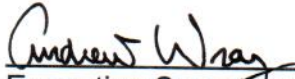
DONE and **APPROVED** this 12th day of August, 2026.

APPROVED:



Chair

ATTEST:



Executive Secretary

Motion By:	Trustee Johnson-Burick
Second By:	Commissioner Sanchez
VOTE:	
Chair Hernandez	Yes
Vice-Chair Harris	Yes
District Engineer Chavarria	Yes
Councilor Corran	Yes
Commissioner Gameros	Absent
Trustee Garcia	Absent
Trustee Johnson-Burick	Yes
Commissioner Kimble	Yes
Councilor Mattiace	Yes
Commissioner Sanchez	Yes