

SWRTPO

**SOUTHWEST NEW MEXICO REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING  
ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
VIRTUAL MEETING**

**Minutes**

**November 19, 2020**

**10:00 a.m.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Azucena Vargas, City of Deming  
Jim Massengill, City of Deming  
Peter Pena, Town of Silver City  
David Bailey, Luna County  
Kim Dominguez, Corre Caminos  
Alexis Padilla, NMDOT  
Angela Edgmon, FMI  
Debbie Hudson, NMDOT  
Harold Love, NMDOT  
Vijay Ummadi, NMDOT  
Kitty Clemens, SWNMCOG  
Crisse Grijalva, SWNMCOG

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Crisse called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. Approval/Amendments of Agenda:

Jim moved to approve the agenda. Peter seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Approval of minutes from December 12, 2019 meeting:

Jim moved to approve the December 12, 2019 meeting minutes. Peter seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

4. New Business:

a. Rating and Ranking-Vijay Ummadi, NMDOT Rural Transit Program Manager, gave a brief description of the 5310 and 5311 funding programs and expressed how NMDOT uses the RTPOs to elicit input from members and the public. All information regarding this year's application cycle is posted on the NMDOT website. Kim then spoke about the application that was submitted for a total of \$1,112,015 requested. She also reported their 2019 year report again due to the impact of COVID-19 in 2020. There were 96,000 rides 33,000 miles traveled, and 18,500 hours of operation in Grant and Luna Counties. They also suspended Village of Columbus route.

b. RTIPR-There was discussion of the RTIPR among the members for inclusion on a new planning project for Little Walnut to conduct a transportation corridor study through EDA in the amount of \$150,000. It was decided to list the project as last on the planning portion of the RTIPR and then discuss about ranking it higher at the next meeting.

c. SWRTPO Long Range Transportation Plan Update-Peter suggested Cerisse updating and marking those changes to the plan and resend it out to members for comments/updates. Will revisit in the next RTPO meeting.

5. Reports:

a. NMDOT-Harold Love reported on projects within the area which included the US-180 Multiuse Path that is currently in construction. He also reported the US-180 Safety Project from Rosedale Rd. to 32<sup>nd</sup> St. will begin construction in January 2021. Debbie reported on the non-metro survey that has been sent out to members via email and encourages participation in this survey.

b. Member Updates- Jim reported on projects in the City of Deming that included: 1. Cedar St. Sidewalks which is the second round of TAP funding and is almost complete. 2. The design for a traffic light on railroad and highway 180 is almost done and next step is to get the executed agreement and construction to begin in February. Peter reported on phase 1 and 2 for Ridge Rd, design is complete and will be taking to the council meeting soon. Construction should begin end of December and be completed by July 2021.

Public Input:

There was no public input.

Next RTPO Meeting:

Next meeting will be in the upcoming year.

Adjourn:

Jim made a motion to adjourn. Peter seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Peter Pena, Chairman

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Cerisse Grijalva, Secretary