NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Minutes — October 22, 2026

Transportation Council Room | 616 Six Flags Drive | Arlington, Texas

The NCTCOG Executive Board meeting was conducted as a videoconference meeting that was live broadcast at https://nctcog.swagit.com/live. The presiding officer, Vice President Huckabee, was present at the physical location, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas, which was open to the public during all open portions of the meeting.

Vice President Huckabee called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 1:00 pm on October 22, 2026. Monte Mercer took attendance and determined that a quorum was physically present.

Members of the Board Present:

1. Jennifer Justice (V)
2. Brandon J. Huckabee
3. T.J. Gilmore
4. Victoria Johnson (V)
5. Christopher Boedeker
6. Michael Evans
7. Clay Jenkins
8. Jon McKenzie
9. Bobbie Mitchell
10. Jesse Moreno
11. Mattie Parker
12. Jim Ross
13. Burt Thakur (V)
14. Ross Weaver

Members of the Board Absent:

1. Chris Hill
2. Gary Hulsey
3. Tim O'Hare
4. Mitch Little

Members of the Staff Present:

Monte Mercer, Susan Alvarez, Tim Barbee, Doni Green, Michael Morris, Phedra Redifer, Randy Richardson, Jerri Watson, Ken Kirkpatrick, James Powell, Michael Bort, Tom McLain, Chris Klaus, April Leger, Therese Bergeon, Shala Geer-Smith, Caroline Vandergriff, Marcie Bruner, Carmen Morones, Kelly Schmidt, Prit Patel, Tyler Baines, Brent Moll, Emily Dryden, Karla Weaver, Natalie Bettger, Brett Ogletree, Ernest Hoffman, Arash Mirzaei, Hua Yang, Emily Wakefield

Visitors Present:

Faith Morse, Chief of Staff | City of Mansfield; Lauren Trimble, Dallas County; Lorie Blair, Dallas

REGULAR SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Vice President Huckabee opened the meeting for public comment and asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak. There being no one, he proceeded with the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Items 1 - 18 were posted on the agenda as Consent Items.

Item	1	Recognition of Past President Johnson on Receiving the North Texas Commission Leadership Award
Item	2	Approval of Minutes
Item	3	Resolution to Review and Approve NCTCOG's Investment Policy
Item	4	Resolution to Accept and Approve the Quarterly Investment Report
Item	5	Resolution Authorizing TXShare Contracts for Police and First Responder Uniforms, Gear and Accessories
Item	6	Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Gartner, Inc. for Professional Services
Item	7	Resolution Endorsing the TWC Grant Application for the Teacher Externship Program
Item	8	Resolution Endorsing Fiscal Year 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation Grant Applications to the United States Department of Transportation
Item	9	Resolution Authorizing Receipt of Federal Transit Administration Formula Funding and Agreements to Implement Transit Projects
Item	10	Resolution Authorizing Contract with Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. for the Fort Worth to Plano Regional Trail Branding and Wayfinding Plan
Item	11	Resolution Authorizing Contract with EBP, Inc. for the Economic Evaluation Tool for Transportation Projects
Item	12	Resolution Authorizing Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to Evaluate Alternatives for Legacy Automated Transportation System
Item	13	Resolution Authorizing Use of Regional Transportation Council Local Funds for Air Quality
Item	14	Resolution Authorizing Data Sharing Agreements to Facilitate implementation of Clear Path Technology
Item	15	Resolution Authorizing Agreement with City of Denton for Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Equipment
Item	16	Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the North Central Texas Trauma Regional Advisory Council Related to the FIFA World Cup Grant Program
Item	17	Appointments to Department of Environment and Development Advisory Committees
Item	18	Appointments to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

Upon a Motion by Mayor Ross (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 - 18, and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the Consent Agenda Items as posted.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

Item 19 Resolution Authorizing Agreements with Participating Public Agencies for the North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Executive Board authorization to enter into agreements with participating public agencies for projects approved through the North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects. On September 11, 2026, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved four projects and allocated a total of $477,500 in RTC Local funds to provide electric aircraft charging infrastructure at Fort Worth Meacham International Airport, Denton Enterprise Airport, Granbury Regional Airport, and Greenville Municipal Airport. These investments will expand the region's charging infrastructure network and enhance airport readiness for future electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft and other Advanced Air Mobility operations. NCTCOG will coordinate with the participating public agencies to finalize project scopes, agreement requirements, and implementation activities. In accordance with NCTCOG's responsibilities as the RTC's fiscal agent, Transportation Department staff evaluated the financial and administrative capacity and federal compliance risk of the recommended subrecipients and determined they present minimal risk of noncompliance; therefore, a minimal level of oversight is recommended during the term of the agreements.

Details of each participating public agencies' associated costs are identified in Attachment 1 below.

Attachment 1

Eastern Subregion

Request: $292,500

City/Agency	TR Risk Determination	Oversight Level Assigned	Emphasis Area	Project Title	Total Score	Requested Funds
City of Denton	Minimal	Minimal	eVTOL Charging System	North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects	88	$92,500
City of Greenville	Minimal	Minimal	eVTOL Charging System	North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects Update	60	$200,000
Total						$292,500

Western Subregion

Request: $185,000

City/Agency	TR Risk Determination	Oversight Level Assigned	Emphasis Area	Project Title	Total Score	Requested Funds
City of Fort Worth	Minimal	Minimal	eVTOL Charging System	North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects Update	66	$92,500
City of Granbury	Minimal	Minimal	eVTOL Charging System	North Texas Advanced Air Mobility Readiness Call for Projects Update	80	$92,500
Total						$185,000

Total Funding Request: $477,500

Exhibit: 2026-10-19-TR

Mayor Evans entered the meeting.

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Thakur (seconded by Judge Jenkins), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 20 Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Mackenzie Eason & Associates for Executive Recruitment Services for the Executive Director Position

Jennifer Justice, NCTCOG President, provided a status report on the procurement process for executive recruitment services and requested Executive Board authorization to enter into a contract with Mackenzie Eason & Associates for recruitment services related to the Executive Director position. On September 24, 2026, the Executive Board directed the Hiring Committee, consisting of the Executive Board Officers and Past President, to work with staff to conduct a procurement and recommend a firm for Board consideration. In response, staff issued Request for Quotes (RFQ) 2026-098 and received nine responsive proposals. Following the evaluation process and interviews with the three highest-ranked firms, the Hiring Committee recommended Mackenzie Eason & Associates based on the firm's qualifications, experience, and proposed recruitment approach. The proposed contract provides for a placement fee not to exceed $35,000, plus incidental and miscellaneous expenses, and includes optional leadership assessments and executive-level background checks as determined by the Hiring Committee. The agreement also includes an 18-month replacement guarantee under which the firm will conduct a replacement search without an additional placement fee if the selected candidate is terminated for cause, resigns, or fails to report. Candidate travel and related incidental expenses are anticipated to be paid directly by NCTCOG or through reimbursement.

Exhibit: 2026-10-20-EDO

Upon a Motion by Mayor Ross (seconded by Mayor Evans), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 21 Status Report on FY2026 Discretionary Grant Awards

Randy Richardson, Director of Administration, provided an update on the status of the FY2026 Discretionary Grant Awards.

Exhibit: 2026-10-21-AA

This was an informational item and did not require a vote.

Item 22 Acting Executive Director's Report

Monte Mercer, Acting Executive Director, presented the Executive Director's Report. He provided updates on several organizational initiatives and upcoming activities, including plans to commemorate NCTCOG's 60th Anniversary and the status of the Economic Development District initiative. Mr. Mercer reported that the November 19th Executive Board meeting would be held as originally scheduled and that the December 17th Executive Board meeting remains on the calendar. He also provided an update on the proposed revisions to the Regional Codes Coordinating Committee (RCCC) Bylaws.

This was an informational item and did not require a vote.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Item 23 Future Calendar and Attendance

The Board was provided with a Calendar of meeting and a record of Attendance.

Vice President Huckabee adjourned the meeting at 1:47 pm.

Approved by:

Jennifer Justice, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

Checked by:

Ken Kirkpatrick, General Counsel
North Central Texas Council of Governments