

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Minutes — July 23, 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, President Justice, 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.

President Justice called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 1:00 pm on July 23, 2026. Todd Little took attendance and determined that a quorum was physically present.

Members of the Board Present:

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| 1. Jennifer Justice | 9. Clay Jenkins (V) |
| 2. Brandon J. Huckabee | 10. Bobbie Mitchell |
| 3. T.J. Gilmore | 11. Jesse Moreno (V) |
| 4. Victoria Johnson | 12. Tim O'Hare |
| 5. Christopher Boedeker | 13. Mattie Parker |
| 6. Michael Evans | 14. Jim Ross |
| 7. Chris Hill (V) | 15. Burt Thakur |
| 8. Gary Hulsey | 16. Ross Weaver |

Members of the Board Absent:

1. Jon McKenzie
2. Mitch Little

Members of the Staff Present:

Todd Little, Monte Mercer, Susan Alvarez, Tim Barbee, Michael Morris, Maribel Martinez, Phedra Redifer, Randy Richardson, Christy Williams, Jerri Watson, Ken Kirkpatrick, James Powell, Michael Bort, Tom McLain, Natalie Bettger, Emily Beckham, Angie Carson, Shala Geer-Smith, Caroline Vandergriff, Toni Stehling, Therese Bergeon, Jon Blackman, Emily Dryden, Ryan Garrett, Marcie Bruner, Amanda Everly, Dan Kessler, Bobby Gomez, Katherine Cadena, Caralyn Dawson, Kelly Schmidt, Evan Paret, Nathaniel Dover, Carolyn Burns, Jared Wright, Elizabeth Sin

Visitors Present:

Glen Whitley, Chad Adams, Jasmin Wise, David Kerr, Rick Bailey, Dawn Little

REGULAR SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

President Justice opened the meeting for public comment and asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak. Former Tarrant County Judge, Glen Whitley and Former Ellis County Judge, Chad Adams spoke regarding items on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Items 1 - 6 were posted on the agenda as Consent Items.

- Item 1 **Approval of Minutes**
- Item 2 **Resolution to Accept and Approve the Quarterly Investment Report**
- Item 3 **Resolution for Standards-Based NG911 Call Handling System**
- Item 4 **Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Deltek, Inc., for Cloud-Based Enterprise Resource Planning Software**
- Item 5 **Resolution Endorsing a Special Amendment to the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code**
- Item 6 **Resolution Amending Authorization for Interlocal Agreements for Local Contributions Associated with the Cotton Belt Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail**
This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Judge Huckabee.

Upon a Motion by Mayor Evans (seconded by Mayor Ross), the Board approved Consent Agenda Items 1 – 5 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Consent Agenda item 6 was addressed separately following a motion by Councilmember Johnson (seconded by Mayor Ross). This item was removed from the Consent Agenda by Judge Huckabee for the purpose of abstaining from the vote. The motion passed.

PRESENTATION:

- Item 7 **Presentation of 2026 World Cup: Observations and Successes**

NCTCOG provided a comprehensive overview of its regional leadership and coordination efforts supporting the FIFA World Cup 2026. The agency leveraged expertise across Transportation, Emergency Preparedness, NCT9-1-1, and Environment & Development to support planning and operations for one of the largest events in North Texas history.

Key Highlights

Transportation

- Developed and implemented the regional transportation plan supporting:
 - Nine matches at AT&T Stadium
 - FIFA Fan Festival activities
 - International Broadcast Center operations
- Coordinated with numerous regional partners, including airports, transit agencies, TxDOT, NTTA, host cities, and private-sector organizations.
- Success factors included prior event experience, strong planning, effective execution, advanced technology, and delegated authority for event operations.

Emergency Preparedness

- Led and coordinated multiple regional public safety and emergency planning groups.
- Supported numerous exercises and delivered more than 30 training courses.
- Provided operational support through Regional Support and Joint Operations Centers.
- Administered a regional public safety grant program totaling **\$51.6 million** for safety and security activities.

NCT9-1-1

- Chaired the Texas FIFA 9-1-1 Subcommittee.
- Implemented and tested AI-powered translation and transcription services prior to the World Cup.
- Identified and addressed issues affecting emergency calls from international roaming devices.
- Collaborated with telecommunications and industry partners to develop long-term improvements for caller location and callback information.
- Contributed to a national white paper supporting lasting enhancements to emergency communications systems.

Environment & Development

- Advanced regional sustainability initiatives, including:
 - Tree planting efforts
 - Recycling and composting promotion
 - Support for STEM-related activities
 - Community soccer mini-pitch initiatives
- Coordinated the 2026 North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge:
 - 29 participating cities
 - 10,246 bags of trash collected
 - More than 8,320 volunteers
 - More than 317 cleanup events
 - Approximately 77 tons of litter, tires, and trash removed
- Lewisville won the 2026 Community Cleanup Challenge, and Frisco won the Mayor's Challenge.

Overall Impact

- NCTCOG's cross-disciplinary coordination demonstrated the agency's ability to unite regional partners and deliver solutions beyond the capacity of any single jurisdiction.
- Media coverage of NCTCOG's World Cup planning efforts generated an estimated **2.61 billion impressions** and more than **\$24 million in advertising value equivalency**.

This was a presentation item and did not require a vote.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Item 8 Status Report on Settlement Negotiations in the Matter of County of Denton, Texas v. Victoria Johnson, In Her Official Capacity, et al., the Metropolitan Planning Agreement, and Related Operating Agreement

President Justice reported that settlement negotiations are nearing completion. She acknowledged the efforts of staff, legal counsel, and Regional Transportation Council (RTC) representatives, noting that multiple meetings have been held and significant progress has been made. Additional details were discussed in Executive Session.

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

Item 9 Status Report on Fiscal Year 2026 Triennial Review Conducted by Federal Transit Administration

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, reported that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) completed its Fiscal Year 2026 Triennial Review of the NCTCOG Transportation Department. The review included a desk review, an on-site visit on June 1-2, 2026, and a site visit to subrecipient Span, Inc. The review evaluated NCTCOG's compliance with federal requirements across multiple program areas, including oversight of approximately eight subrecipients. Mr. Morris acknowledged the assistance provided by the Agency Administration Department throughout the review process. On June 18, 2026, FTA issued its final report, finding no deficiencies and confirming NCTCOG's compliance with all applicable requirements. The Fiscal Year 2026 Triennial Review Final Report was included in the meeting materials.

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

Item 10 Executive Director's Report

Mr. Little presented the Executive Director's Report, including an update on the Strategic Visioning and Branding

Project. He also announced that the August Board meeting will include the Foundation Meeting, of which all Board members are members, as well as a Finance Committee meeting featuring a presentation on the FY2027 Proposed Annual Fiscal Program.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Item 11 Attendance and Calendar

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

President Justice called the Executive Session to order at 1:45 pm, pursuant to the following sections of the Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code):

- Section 551.071 to consult with its attorney to seek advice on pending litigation, or a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551: *County of Denton, Texas v. Victoria Johnson, In Her Official Capacity, et al.*, and related Metropolitan Planning Agreement, Operating Agreement, and proposed Settlement Agreement.
- Section 551.074(a)(1) and (2) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; and/or to hear a complaint or charge against a public officer or employee in executive session unless the officer or employee requests a public hearing: Executive Director; and,
- Section 551.071 to consult with its attorney to seek advice on pending litigation, or a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551: Pertaining to matters posted under 551.074(a)(1) and (2).

President Justice adjourned the Executive Session at 4:04 pm.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:

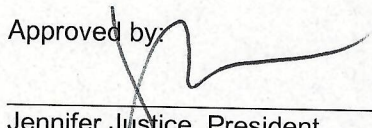
President Justice reconvened the regular session at 4:08 pm.

Item 12 Consider and Take Possible Action(s) Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Session

No action was taken.

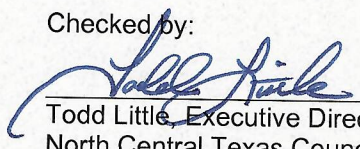
President Justice adjourned the meeting at 4:08 pm.

Approved by:



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

Checked by:



Todd Little, Executive Director
North Central Texas Council of Governments