

North Central Texas Council of Governments

TO: NCTCOG Executive Board **DATE:** March 21, 2024
FROM: Mike Eastland
Executive Director
SUBJECT: Executive Board Meeting

The next meeting of the **NCTCOG Executive Board** will be:

DATE: March 28, 2024

Please RSVP to the Executive Director's office as soon as possible by email or call (817) 695-9100.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

TIME: 11:30 a.m. – Chris Hill, Chair; Jorja Clemson; Bowie Hogg; Clay Jenkins; Jennifer Justice; Linda Martin; Bobbie Mitchell (*Six Flags Conference Room*)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TIME: 12:00 noon – Lunch
12:45 p.m. – Executive Board Meeting

PHYSICAL

LOCATION: NCTCOG Offices
Centerpoint II Conference Center
616 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011
Transportation Council Room

Presiding officer will be physically present at this location, which shall be open to the public during open portions of the meeting.

METHOD: Via Videoconference

President Heidemann hopes each of you will plan to attend this important meeting. I look forward to seeing you there!

ME:jw

North Central Texas Council of Governments

EXECUTIVE BOARD AGENDA

March 28, 2024 | 12:45 pm

Physical Location of Meeting: NCTCOG Offices, Centerpoint II Conference Center
616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011, Transportation Council Room

Method of Meeting: Via Videoconference

The NCTCOG Executive Board meeting is posted as a videoconference meeting. The presiding officer shall be present at the physical location, which shall be open to the public during open portions of the meeting. Members of the public may attend in person or view the livestream via <http://nctcog.swagit.com/live>. The meeting will be recorded and posted later on NCTCOG's website <http://nctcog.swagit.com/executive-board/>

Executive Board

1. _____ Bill Heidemann
2. _____ Chris Hill
3. _____ Victoria Johnson
4. _____ Andrew Piel
5. _____ J.D. Clark
6. _____ Jorja Clemson
7. _____ Carlos Flores
8. _____ Bowie Hogg
9. _____ Clay Jenkins

Staff

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| 10. _____ Jennifer Justice | _____ Mike Eastland | _____ Jerri Watson |
| 11. _____ Todd Little | _____ Monte Mercer | |
| 12. _____ Linda Martin | _____ Sue Alvarez | |
| 13. _____ Cara Mendelsohn | _____ Tim Barbee | |
| 14. _____ Bobbie Mitchell | _____ Doni Green | |
| 15. _____ Tim O'Hare | _____ Maribel Martinez | |
| 16. _____ Kameron Raburn | _____ Michael Morris | |
| 17. _____ Nick Stanley | _____ Phedra Redifer | |
| 18. _____ Victoria Neave Criado | _____ Randy Richardson | |
| | _____ Christy Williams | |

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: 11:30 am

The Finance Committee will meet to discuss Purchases of Information Technology Related Services

REGULAR SESSION: 12:45 pm

Call to order time: _____

Pledge to the United States and Texas Flags

Public Comment on Agenda Items (Must be physically present)

Members of the public may comment on any item(s) on today's agenda at this time. If speaking, please announce your name, city of residence and the agenda item(s) on which you are commenting. A maximum three (3) minutes is permitted per speaker. At the conclusion of this item, no further opportunities for public comment will be provided for the duration of the meeting.

ACTION:

Motion/Second	Item #	Name of Item
_____/____	1	Approval of Minutes

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion/Second	Item #	Name of Item
_____/____	2	Resolution Accepting NCTCOG's North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study - Sue Alvarez

- ___/___ 3 Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Electronics Waste Recycling in North Central Texas Region - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 4 Resolution Accepting the City of Grand Prairie's Disaster Debris Management Plan Update - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 5 Resolution Authorizing Contract with Rheaply, Inc. for Materials Reuse for North Central Texas Region - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 6 Resolution Accepting the City of Weatherford's Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 7 Resolution Authorizing an Extension of Services with Eco-Counter, Inc., to Continue Bicycle and Pedestrian (Active Transportation) User Count Services and Equipment Technology Upgrades - Michael Morris
- ___/___ 8 Resolution Authorizing Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with White Settlement for Landbanking to Support Critical Regional Infrastructure - Michael Morris

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

- ___/___ 9 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with In-Home Service Providers - Doni Green
- ___/___ 10 Resolution Authorizing Contract for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise - Maribel Martinez
- ___/___ 11 Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Compensation Study Consulting Services - Randy Richardson
- ___/___ 12 Resolution Authorizing Purchases of Information Technology Related Services - Tim Barbee
- ___/___ 13 Resolution Approving the Process to Establish the Regional Project Priorities for the 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program's Community Development Fund - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 14 Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) Grants Program - Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 15 Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program - Michael Morris & Sue Alvarez
- ___/___ 16 Resolution Authorizing Agreements for the Receipt of Funds for Planning and Implementation Programs from the Texas Department of Transportation - Michael Morris

___/___ 17 Resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement for Receipt of Funds from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality - Michael Morris

___/___ 18 Resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement with the University of Texas at Arlington to Support Department of Defense Agile Curriculum Program - Michael Morris

APPOINTMENTS:

___/___ 19 Appointments to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD) - Prit Patel

STATUS REPORTS:

20 Announcement of the President's 2024 Executive Board Nominating Committee - Bill Heidemann

MISCELLANEOUS:

21 Old and New Business

22 Future Calendar and Attendance

Adjournment: _____

A closed executive session may be held on any of the above agenda items when legally justified pursuant to Subchapter D of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 551).

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Minutes — February 22, 2024

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 Heidemann, 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 Heidemann called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 12:46 pm on February 22, 2024. Mike Eastland took attendance and determined that a quorum was physically present.

Members of the Board Present:

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| 1. Bill Heidemann | 8. Jennifer Justice |
| 2. Chris Hill | 9. Todd Little |
| 3. Victoria Johnson | 10. Linda Martin |
| 4. Andrew Piel | 11. Bobbie Mitchell |
| 5. J.D. Clark | 12. Tim O’Hare |
| 6. Jorja Clemson | 13. Kameron Raburn |
| 7. Carlos Flores | 14. Victoria Neave Criado (V) |

Members of the Board Absent:

1. Bowie Hogg
2. Clay Jenkins
3. Cara Mendelsohn
4. Nick Stanley

Members of the Staff Present:

Mike Eastland, Monte Mercer, Doni Green, Michael Morris, Susan Alvarez, Maribel Martinez, Randy Richardson, Christy Williams, Jerri Watson, Ken Kirkpatrick, James Powell, Michael Bort, Tom McLain, Maggie Lira, Lisa Sack, Richard Michael, Chris Klaus

Visitors Present:

Clayton Rogers and Todd Pruitt | Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP; Rob Barthen | GrantWorks

REGULAR SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

President Heidemann 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.

ACTION:

Item 1 Approval of Minutes

President Heidemann stated that the first item on the agenda was approval of the minutes from the January Board meeting.

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Councilmember Flores), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the minutes of the January Executive Board meeting.

Item 2 Resolution to Accept and Acknowledge Receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2023

Randy Richardson, Director of Administration, addressed the Board and explained that the Audit Committee met prior to the Executive Board meeting and reviewed the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and single audit reports for the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2023. He then turned it over to Victoria Johnson, Chair of the Audit Committee. Ms. Johnson stated that Todd Pruitt, CPA, Partner, with Pattillo, Brown & Hill,

L.L.P presented the final reports to the Audit Committee that morning. The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of Mr. Pruitt or staff during the presentation as well as the opportunity to address the auditors without staff being present. Ms. Johnson commended the staff for their work, acknowledging the new auditing firm, and stated that no findings were found.

Exhibit: 2024-02-02-AA

Judge Hill entered the meeting.

Upon a Motion by Judge Clark (seconded by Judge O'Hare), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 3 Resolution Approving the FY2024 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Project Priority Listing

Maribel Martinez, Director of Emergency Preparedness, requested Board approval for the FY2024 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) prioritized project listing and authorization for submittal to the Office of the Governor (OOG). The SHSP provides funding for prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery from acts of terrorism and other hazards. The project listing was prioritized by the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) and approved by the Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC).

1. 2024 SHSP - NCTCOG - Regional Planning; \$522,990 (includes M&A)
2. 2024 SHSP - NCTCOG - Metro X; \$298,200 (includes M&A)
3. 2024 SHSP - NCTCOG - Metro X (LETPA); \$257,250 (includes M&A)
4. 2024 SHSP City of Irving - PWERT Vehicle Interdiction Trailer; \$68,816
5. 2024 SHSP LE - Mesquite - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$30,000
6. 2024 SHSP NETCAST Communications Equipment; \$50,000
7. 2024 SHSP - Arlington - EOD Slash and Go Training; \$127,955
8. 2024 SHSP - City of Waxahachie - PWERT Light Tower; \$20,000
9. IISC - IISC Collin County Fusion Center Analyst-CI/KR FY24; \$72,484
10. CPR - 2024 SHSP - NCTCOG - Public Education Program Enhancement; \$30,450 (includes M&A)
11. CPR - 2024 SHSP - NCTCOG - Citizen Corp Program Enhancement; \$21,945 (includes M&A)
12. 2024 SHSP LE - Irving - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$50,000
13. 2024 SHSP City of Garland - PWERT Vehicle Interdiction Trailer; \$68,816
14. 2024 SHSP LE-Carrollton - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$50,000
15. 2024 SHSP LE-Waxahachie - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$21,000
16. 2024 SHSP LE- Richardson - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$50,000
17. 2024 SHSP - City of Waxahachie - PWERT Cache Enhancement - Message Board; \$32,000
18. 2024 SHSP City of Richardson - PWERT Interdiction Trailer; \$68,816

Exhibit: 2024-02-03-EP

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

Item 4 Resolution Authorizing Submittal of FY2024 RAISE Grant Applications to the United States Department of Transportation

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization for submission of three applications to the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) under the FY2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Discretionary Grant Program in the amount of \$70,000,000. The projects were approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) at its February 8, 2024, meeting. TxDOT will be the implementing agent for these projects.

Details of each project are below.

FY 24 Local & Regional Project Assistance (RAISE) Program

Candidate Project List & Details

PROJECT					COST/FUNDING BREAKDOWN						
TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS	NEW	URBAN/RURAL	E/W	NON-FEDERAL			FEDERAL			TOTAL COST
					RTC/ TxDOT	Local/Private	%	RTC/ TxDOT	RAISE Grant	%	
Southern Gateway Park 2.0 (SGP2.0)	Expand structural, safety, multimodal transport, & hardscape elements to IH 35E/Marsalis Avenue bridge.	NO	URBAN	EAST	N/A	\$20,000,000 ¹	30%	\$22,000,000 ²	\$25,000,000	70%	\$67,000,000
Klyde Warren Park 2.0 (KWP2.0)	Build structural, safety, multimodal transport, & hardscape aspects for KWP West Lawn & Pavilion Deck.	NO	URBAN	EAST	N/A	\$23,045,600 ³	29%	\$36,800,000 ⁴	\$20,000,000	71%	\$79,845,600
US 377/SH 144 Granbury	Rebuild US 377 to 6 lanes (Pirate Dr. to Overstreet Blvd), w/ upgrades to SH 144 interchange.	YES	RURAL	WEST	\$51,650,000 ⁵	N/A	33%	\$81,600,000 ⁶	\$25,000,000	67%	\$158,250,000
CAN BE AUTHORED BY NCTCOG / PARTNERS & SUBMITTED BY OTHERS											
DCIP Multimodal Connectivity	Rebuild Belt Line Rd. & Sunrise Rd. to 4-lane arterials w/ side paths to improve mobility, safety, & access.	NO	RURAL	EAST	\$36,340,000 ⁷	\$16,545,000 ⁸	61%	\$9,130,000 ⁹	\$25,000,000	39%	\$87,015,000
SH 5 McKinney "Lower 5 Plaza"	Rebuild SH 5 over wide sunken civic plaza between Louisiana/Virginia St.	NO	URBAN	EAST	N/A	\$550,000 ¹⁰	2%	\$14,450,000 ¹¹	\$15,000,000	98%	\$30,000,000

■ **IH 30 Canyon "Tri-Deck" (\$57M) to proceed via 2024 Strategic Transportation Funding Program (Item #3)**

Designated by USDOT as FY 23 RAISE "Project of Merit" – Resubmittal guaranteed for automatic advancement to FY 24 RAISE 2nd tier review analysis.

NOTES – Engineering (E); Right-of-Way Acquisition (R); Utility Relocation (U); Construction (C):

1. City of Dallas - \$15,000,000 (C) from 2024 Bond Program Dallas County - \$5,000,000 (C)
2. RTC (Existing) - \$7,000,000 (E) in STBG funds; RTC (New) - \$15,000,000 (C) in STBG funds (of which \$5,000,000 replaces TxDOT/Senator West budget rider to be used on Phase 1 of 3-4)
- 3-4. Same as FY 23 RCN application (E, U, C)
5. RTC/ TxDOT (Existing) - \$5,000,000 (C) in Category 2 funds - \$5,000,000 (E) in PE funds - \$20,000,000 (R, U) in ROW funds; RTC/ TxDOT (New) - \$21,650,000 (C) in Category 2 / 4 funds via future UTP allocations (includes RAISE match)
6. RTC/ TxDOT (Existing) - \$20,000,000 (C) in Category 2 funds; RTC/ TxDOT (New) - \$16,800,000 (C) in Category 2 / 4 funds via future UTP allocations
7. RTC (New) - \$36,340,000 (E, R, C) in RTR funds from 2024 Strategic Transportation Funding Program (Item #3) plus reduced Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) from 4,530,000 to 1,600,000 (C only)
8. Same as FY 23 Multimodal Projects Discretionary Grant (MPDG) application, but reorganized among activity types (E, R, U, C) with new developer contributions (\$5,050,000) & reduced amounts of \$2,800,000 - City of Lancaster, \$950,000 - Franchise Utilities
9. Reduced STBG funds from \$20,530,000 in MPDG application to \$9,130,000 (C only) due to new RTR funds from 2024 Strategic Transportation Funding Program (Item #3)
- 10-11. Same as FY 23 RCN application (E, R, U, C). Area of Persistent Poverty (APPI)/Historically Disadvantaged Community (HDC) designation enables eligibility to exceed 80%/20% Federal/non-Federal match requirement for RAISE

Exhibit: 2024-02-04-TR

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Councilmember Justice), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 5 Resolution Amending Authorization for Interlocal Agreements for Local Contributions Associated with the Cotton Belt Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization amending the Interlocal Agreements for local contributions associated with the Cotton Belt Regional Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail. He explained that the Board previously approved local contributions in the amount of \$8,481,871, with the amount of Dallas County contribution split between Phase 2 construction (\$1,670,283) and Phase 3 construction (\$3,771,199). Grant awards under the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) and the Texas Transportation Commission allow for an increased area of construction expanding the Phase 2 project limits. As a result, Dallas County local contribution will be adjusted by \$162,995 to be contributed for Phase 2 construction rather than Phase 3, therefore, increasing local contributions to be collected in Phase 2 in the amount of \$4,291,465. An additional \$1,000,000 in local contributions are allocated to Phase 3 construction under the Dallas County Major Capital Improvement Program 7th Call, thus, increasing the local funding for the Trail in the amount of approximately \$9,481,871.

The table below details the changes to the previously approved funding from the July 27, 2023, Board meeting.

Local Funding to be Collected to Support the Cotton Belt Regional Trail			
Phase 2		Phase 3	
Agency	Amount	Agency	Amount
Dallas County	\$ 1,670,283	Dallas County	\$ 3,771,199
	\$ 1,833,278		\$ 4,108,204
Town of Addison ✓	\$ 307,469	City of Grapevine ✓	\$ 480,756
City of Dallas ✓	\$ 250,000	City of Carrollton	\$ 101,446
			\$ 351,446
City of Richardson ✓	\$ 200,000	City of Coppell	\$ 0
			\$ 250,000
City of Plano ✓	\$ 1,700,718		

Total Local Funding (Phase 2):	\$ 4,128,470 \$ 4,291,465	Total Local Funding (Phase 3):	\$ 4,353,401 5,190,406
		Total Both Phases:	\$ 8,481,871 \$ 9,481,871

✓ =Approved at the July 27, 2023, Executive Board meeting.

Exhibit: 2024-02-05-TR

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Judge Clark), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 6 Resolution Authorizing Contracts to Provide Airshow Parking Assistance and Bus Shuttles for the Upcoming 2024 Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base “Wings Over Cowtown” Air Show

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization to enter a contractual agreement with Solutions Event Services to implement an event parking and traffic management plan in an amount not to exceed \$48,000 using Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds. He explained that The Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base (NAS JRB) requested assistance with event parking for the “Wings Over Cowtown” Airshow, hosting the Blue Angels, taking place April 13-14, 2024. Additionally, he requested to enter into a contractual agreement with GETZ Transportation Solutions for shuttle buses and staffing for the event in an amount not to exceed \$196,000, for a total not to exceed the amount of \$244,000 in RTC Local funds. The use of RTC Local funds was approved at the October 2023 RTC meeting and the January 25, 2024, Executive Board meeting.

Exhibit: 2024-02-06-TR

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

Item 7 Resolution Approving the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization of the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan. He explained that NCTCOG received \$1 million in planning funding from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program, which was created by the Inflation Reduction Act. This funding supports development of plans that outline measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful air pollutants of local concern and will be used to develop the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan. The plan will outline measures to reduce emissions of ozone-forming pollutants, fine particulate matter, and greenhouse gases across all 16 counties of the NCTCOG planning area. The work will be a collaborative effort between the Transportation, Environment and Development, and Workforce Solutions departments. A copy of the draft plan, proposed measures and other supporting materials is available at www.publicinput.com/DFWAQIP.

Exhibit: 2024-02-07-TR

Upon a Motion by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Clemson (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 8 Resolution Adopting Revised North Central Texas Economic Development District Board Bylaws

Prit Patel, Senior Economic Development Manager, requested that the Board adopt the revised North Central Texas Economic Development District (NCTEDD) Board Bylaws. The NCTEDD was designated as a District by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) in December 2016. It is managed and staffed by NCTCOG and guides the work of the region’s Economic Development District.

Recommended amendments to the Board bylaws are as follows:

- Changing of population categories to reflect population growth across the NCT region

- Addition of two (2) new Board categories critical to Economic Development. (1) Education Sector and (2) Workforce Sector
- Increasing the size of the Board from 51 to 53 seats with the addition of two (2) seats to the Principal Economic Interests category

These recommendations ensure that current NCTEDD Board Members retain their seats on the Board and provide a better opportunity for the Board to guide the work of the region’s Economic Development District through stronger representation.

Exhibit: 2024-02-08-EDO

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Councilmember Justice), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

STATUS REPORTS:

Item 9 Status Report on EDA Tech Hubs Grant

Prit Patel, Senior Economic Development Manager, provided a status report on the U. S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) funding opportunity for a Regional Technology and Innovation Hub program referred to as “Tech Hubs”. The Tech Hub program was designed to strengthen U.S. economic and national security through place-based investments in regions with the assets, resources, and capacity to potentially become globally competitive Tech Hubs within approximately 10 years. She explained that the Tech Hub program is a two-phased program which requires that a Consortium build a Tech Hub grant proposal. The Texoma Semiconductor Tech Hub (TSTH) Consortium, led by Southern Methodist University (SMU), submitted a Tech Hub grant proposal on August 15, 2023, for a 29-county region that includes the North Central Texas, Texoma, and Southern Oklahoma regions. On October 23, 2023, the EDA, along with President Biden, announced that the TSTH had been designated as one of 31 EDA Tech Hubs. This designation allowed the TSTH to be eligible to compete for Phase 2 of the Tech Hub program. In Phase 2, EDA expects to award 5-10 of the Designated Tech Hubs with approximately \$40-\$75 million in funding per Hub.

Exhibit: 2024-02-09-EDO

Item 10 Status Report on Discretionary Grant Awards

Mike Eastland, Executive Director, provided a status report on discretionary grants categorized as either “Awarded”, “Not Awarded”, or “Pending”. Details of each grant are identified below.

FY2024 Discretionary Grant Awards Status
October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

Department Name	Grant Name	Funding Agency	Status	Board Request Date	Date of Award	Grant Amount
Aging	Aging and Disability Resource Center	Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)	Pending	January		\$450,000
Transportation	Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator (RAA) Program	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Awarded	November	01/18/24	\$3,660,000
	Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) National Grants Program	Environmental Protection Agency	Pending	November		\$3,280,000
	Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation (ATTAIN) Program	FHWA	Pending	January		\$10,000,000

FY2023 Discretionary Grant Awards Status
October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023

Department Name	Grant Name	Funding Agency	Status	Board Request Date	Date of Award	Grant Amount
Environment & Development	Recycling Education and Outreach Grant	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Not Awarded	January		\$2,000,000
	Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project - North Study Area	Texas General Land Office	Pending	September		\$4,000,000
Transportation	Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program	U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT)	Not Awarded	October		\$24,968,890
	Vehicle Technologies Office Program Wide Funding Opportunity Announcement	US Department of Energy (DOE)	Awarded	October	02/15/23	\$50,000
	Vehicle Technologies Office Program Wide Funding Opportunity Announcement	DOE	Awarded	October	02/15/23	\$250,000
	Vehicle Technologies Office Program Wide Funding Opportunity Announcement	DOE	Awarded	October	02/15/23	\$25,000
	Vehicle Technologies Office Program Wide Funding Opportunity Announcement	DOE	Awarded	October	02/15/23	\$30,000
	Advanced Transportation Technology and Innovation (ATTAIN) Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	December		\$8,000,000
	Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	December		\$2,000,000
	SMART Grant Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	December		\$2,000,000
	SMART Grant Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	December		\$2,000,000
	Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Program	US DOT	Awarded	February	06/28/23	\$20,000,000
	RAISE Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	February		\$24,968,890
RAISE Program	US DOT	Not Awarded	February		\$40,000,000	

Department Name	Grant Name	Funding Agency	Status	Board Request Date	Date of Award	Grant Amount
Transportation	Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Program	U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT)	Awarded	February	06/28/23	\$25,000,000
	Corridor Identification and Development (ID) Program	Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)	Awarded	March	12/11/23	\$500,000
	Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program - Formula Grants for Planning	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	Awarded	April	08/31/23	\$1,000,000
	Low- or No-Emissions Bus Grant Program	Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	Not Awarded	April		\$7,300,000
	Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program	Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	Awarded	May	01/10/24	\$15,000,000
	Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Corridor Program	FHWA	Awarded	May	01/10/24	\$70,000,000
	Emergency Relief Grants for Public Transportation Systems Affected by Major Declared Disasters in Calendar Years 2017, 2020, 2021, and 2022	FTA	Awarded	May	07/31/23	\$90,000
	Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program	US DOT	Awarded	June	12/13/23	\$5,000,000
	SS4A Grant Program	US DOT	Awarded	June	12/13/23	\$21,800,000
	Joint Office of Energy and Transportation Ride and Drive Electric Program	US Department of Energy (DOE)	Awarded	July	01/19/24	\$1,500,000
	Multimodal Projects Discretionary Grant (MPDG) Program - INFRA Grant	US DOT	Not Awarded	August		\$80,000,000
	MPDG Program - INFRA/RURAL Grant	US DOT	Not Awarded	August		\$45,000,000
	MPDG Program - INFRA/RURAL Grant	US DOT	Not Awarded	August		\$115,440,000
	Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN) Program	US DOT	Pending	September		\$95,000,000
Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant Program	US DOT	Pending	September		\$2,000,000	

Exhibit: 2024-02-10-EDO

MISCELLANEOUS:

Item 11 Old and New Business

There was no old or new Business.

Item 12 Attendance and Calendar

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

President Heidemann adjourned the meeting at 1:45 pm.

Approved by:

Checked by:

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

Mike Eastland, Executive Director
North Central Texas Council of Governments



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 2

Exhibit: 2024-03-02-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Accepting NCTCOG's North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the 16-county NCTCOG region. Each biennium, NCTCOG receives allocated state funds through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to provide solid waste management planning, technical assistance to our member governments, and administer subrecipient grants.

During the 2022-2023 grant cycle, at the request of the Resource Conservation Council (the state appointed solid waste advisory committee for the North Central Texas Region), NCTCOG managed a regional technical study called the *North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study* (Study). The Study's objective was to gain a better understanding of the disparities between organic materials processing capacity currently available in the region and the processing capacity needed in the region to handle current and projected diversion demands.

A Project Advisory Group, comprised of public and private sector representatives with expertise in organic materials management, was formed to guide and review the Study. At its meeting on November 8, 2023, the Study was accepted by the Resource Conservation Council, and it now must be accepted by the NCTCOG Executive Board before it is transmitted to TCEQ for final state agency acceptance. More information about the Study can be found here <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/organic-waste-gap-analysis-study>.

A draft resolution accepting the *North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study* is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Executive Board acceptance.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING NCTCOG'S NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS ORGANIC WASTE GAP ANALYSIS TECHNICAL STUDY

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the North Central Texas 16-county region; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board has adopted an updated regional solid waste management plan, *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022 – 2042*, that has specific goals and objectives for achieving state, regional, and local solid waste management strategies; and,

WHEREAS, the *Organic Waste Gap Analysis Study* was a NCTCOG managed project funded as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas; and,

WHEREAS, the Resource Conservation Council, NCTCOG's solid waste advisory committee, has reviewed and accepted the *North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042* on November 8, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requires NCTCOG Executive Board acceptance of a local study as part of the state acceptance process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The NCTCOG Executive Board accepts the *North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*.
- Section 2.** The Executive Board directs staff to transmit the *North Central Texas Organic Waste Gap Analysis Technical Study* to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for its final consideration and acceptance.
- Section 3.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 3

Exhibit: 2024-03-03-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Electronics Waste Recycling in North Central Texas Region

The Texas Legislature has appropriated funds generated from solid waste tipping fees to Councils of Governments for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025. These funds are used to conduct regional and local solid waste management activities, including a pass-through grant program that supports the implementation of solid waste management projects by local governments, other eligible entities, and NCTCOG to advance the goals of the regional solid waste management plan.

In an effort to provide solutions for proper recycling of electronics waste, in 2019, the NCTCOG, on behalf of the Resource Conservation Council (RCC) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit vendors that could provide electronics recycling services to the region, in which selected vendors were awarded a Master Services Agreement (MSA) that allowed communities to take advantage of competitive pricing provided by contractors that have been vetted through NCTCOG.

With the success of this project, in 2023, the RCC requested that NCTCOG release a second RFP#2024-001: Regional Collection, Transportation, and Recycling of Used Electronics to solicit vendors after expiration of the original MSAs. Following review, the Evaluation Committee elected awards to two of the three vendors that submitted proposals.

The purpose of this MSA is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for communities to dispose of used electronic equipment in an environmentally responsible manner. Communities wishing to utilize these contracts can, depending on their needs, choose from several different scenarios, including permanent facilities, one-day events, drop-off of recyclables at the vendor's facility, and asset disposition. The contract term is for three years, with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods. These contracts will be available for local governments in the North Central Texas region to utilize.

A draft resolution authorizing contracts with Electronic Recycling International and United Electronic Recyclers for electronics recycling services is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be able to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR ELECTRONICS WASTE RECYCLING IN NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS REGION

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the North Central Texas 16-county region; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board has adopted the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*, that has specific goals and objectives for achieving state, regional, and local solid waste management strategies; and,

WHEREAS, the Resource Conservation Council (RCC) requested that NCTCOG procure vendors for local governments to utilize for proper electronics waste recycling within the North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG issues RFP#2024-001 on 10/19/2023, to receive qualified electronics recycling vendors and following review, the Evaluation Committee is recommending Electronic Recycling International and United Electronic Recyclers; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and state regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Electronic Recycling International and United Electronic Recyclers, for electronic waste recycling services, for maximum five (5) year terms, be and are hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 4

Exhibit: 2024-03-04-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Accepting the City of Grand Prairie's Disaster Debris Management Plan Update

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the 16-county NCTCOG region. Each biennium, NCTCOG receives allocated state funds through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to provide solid waste management planning, technical assistance to our member governments, and administer subrecipient grants.

During the 2022-2023 grant cycle, NCTCOG provided solid waste pass-through grant funding to the City of Grand Prairie to update their *Disaster Debris Management Plan*. The *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* must undergo a multi-stage review process involving NCTCOG's Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region, NCTCOG's Executive Board, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

On February 28, 2024, the Resource Conservation Council accepted the City of Grand Prairie's *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*, and it now must be accepted by the NCTCOG Executive Board in order to be transmitted to the TCEQ for final state agency acceptance. The Plan is found here under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

A draft resolution accepting the City of Grand Prairie's *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Executive Board acceptance.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE'S DISASTER DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the North Central Texas 16-county region; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board has adopted an updated regional solid waste management plan, for 2022-2042, that has specific goals and objectives for achieving state, regional, and local solid waste management strategies; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Prairie has updated their *Disaster Debris Management Plan*; and,

WHEREAS, the *Disaster Debris Management Plan* was updated in accordance with all applicable city, state, and federal statutes and regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's Resource Conservation Council has reviewed and accepted the *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requires NCTCOG Executive Board acceptance of a local plan as part of the state acceptance process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board accepts the City of Grand Prairie's *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*.

Section 2. The Executive Board directs staff to transmit the *Disaster Debris Management Plan Update* to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for its final consideration and state acceptance.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 5

Exhibit: 2024-03-05-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contract with Rheaply, Inc. for Materials Reuse for North Central Texas Region

The Texas Legislature has appropriated funds generated from solid waste tipping fees to Councils of Governments for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025. These funds are used to conduct regional and local solid waste management activities, including a pass-through grant program that supports the implementation of solid waste management projects by local governments, other eligible entities, and NCTCOG to advance the goals of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (Regional Plan).

In an effort to advance the goals of the Regional Plan, the Resource Conservation Council (RCC) recommended that a solid waste regional project be undertaken to help local governments and businesses divert material from the landfills. Funding for this recommendation was approved by the Executive Board in September 2023.

This solid waste regional project involves contracting with Rheaply, Inc. (Rheaply), to allow the reuse of materials that would otherwise end up in the landfills. Rheaply is a unique software platform that enables local governments and businesses to manage their physical assets and inventory in a circular and sustainable way, particularly for items that would otherwise be sent to a landfill. Rheaply's interface allows users to browse, post, and donate items to prevent them from ending up in the landfill. By offering access to the Rheaply platform to our local governments and businesses, we can help these organizations reduce waste and reuse unused or underutilized resources resulting in fewer materials being sent to the landfill. Additionally, Rheaply will provide NCTCOG with data regarding how the site is being utilized in the North Central Texas region which will provide insights what is being sold, posted, donated, and purchased and on the resulting environmental impacts (such as landfill diversion). This is a sole-source procurement.

In September 2023, the NCTCOG Executive Board approved the slate of local pass-through grants and regional projects for the 2024 and 2025 Fiscal Years, including the allocation of \$74,000 towards these services, in the amounts of \$62,000 for the first year and \$12,000 for the second year of service.

A draft resolution authorizing a contract with Rheaply, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$110,000 is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be able to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH RHEAPLY, INC. FOR MATERIALS REUSE FOR NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS REGION

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the North Central Texas 16-county region; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board has adopted the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*, that has specific goals and objectives for achieving state, regional, and local solid waste management strategies; and,

WHEREAS, in September 2023, the Executive Board approved, at the recommendation of the Resource Conservation Council (RCC), allocation of solid waste funds for a regional project; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and state regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. A contract between NCTCOG and Rheaply, Inc. for use of their platform, in an amount not to exceed \$110,000, is hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements with Rheaply, Inc., in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 6

Exhibit: 2024-03-06-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Accepting the City of Weatherford's Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the 16-county NCTCOG region. Each biennium, NCTCOG receives allocated state funds through the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to provide solid waste management planning, provide technical assistance to our member governments, and administer subrecipient grants.

During the 2022-2023 grant cycle, NCTCOG provided solid waste pass-through grant funding to the City of Weatherford for a project to develop a *Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan*. The Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan will undergo a multi-stage review process involving NCTCOG's Resource Conservation Council, the state appointed solid waste advisory council for the North Central Texas region, NCTCOG's Executive Board, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

On May 23, 2023, the Resource Conservation Council accepted the City of Weatherford's *Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*, and it now must be accepted by the NCTCOG Executive Board in order to be transmitted to the TCEQ for final state agency acceptance. The Plan is found here under Local Studies and Plans: <https://nctcog.org/envir/materials-management/resources>.

A draft resolution accepting the City of Weatherford's Regional Composting Feasibility & Implementation Plan is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Executive Board acceptance.

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CITY OF WEATHERFORD'S REGIONAL COMPOSTING
FEASIBILITY & IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is the designated regional solid waste management planning agency for the North Central Texas 16-county region; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board has adopted an updated regional solid waste management plan for 2022-2042, that has specific goals and objectives for achieving state, regional, and local solid waste management strategies; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Weatherford has developed a *Regional Composting Feasibility and Implementation Plan*; and,

WHEREAS, the *Regional Composting Feasibility and Implementation Plan* was funded by a NCTCOG pass-through grant as part of the solid waste planning program for North Central Texas; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's Resource Conservation Council has reviewed and accepted the *Regional Composting Feasibility and Implementation Plan* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requires NCTCOG Executive Board acceptance of a local study as part of the state acceptance process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board accepts the City of Weatherford's *Regional Composting Feasibility and Implementation Plan* as consistent with the *Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, 2022-2042*.

Section 2. The Executive Board directs staff to transmit the *Regional Composting Feasibility and Implementation Plan* to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for its final consideration and state acceptance.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 7

Exhibit: 2024-03-07-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing an Extension of Services with Eco-Counter, Inc., to Continue Bicycle and Pedestrian (Active Transportation) User Count Services and Equipment Technology Upgrades

To support effective bicycle and pedestrian planning and data collection in the region and address facility use reporting metrics and performance measures of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, in 2014 the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) launched an automated count program to collect bicycle and pedestrian facility usage throughout the region. On January 24, 2014, the Executive Board authorized an Agreement with Eco-Counter, Inc. for the purchase of equipment and data transmission services associated with collecting pedestrian and bicyclist counts on trails and on-street bikeways in the region, as well as the associated operation and maintenance activities over a five-year period. The Board also authorized NCTCOG to enter into necessary Agreements and receive contributions from five participating local government partners where the equipment is located (cities of Allen, Denton, North Richland Hills, and Plano, and the Tarrant Regional Water District).

The equipment is installed in various locations and is used as a tool for automated data collection related to the volume, direction, time of day, and types of bicycle and pedestrian users of shared-use paths (trails). The program also provides data for uses such as trend analysis, updating air quality calculations for active transportation facilities, and to identify non-motorized commuting patterns and volumes in the region such as the monitoring and reporting that occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In 2019 the Executive Board authorized continuation of the regional data collection program operations and maintenance activities for an additional five-year period to 2024, including equipment technology upgrades necessary and data subscription services for a total of \$90,000. The Regional Transportation Council and participating local governments wish to continue these services for an additional five-year period through Fiscal Year 2029.

Executive Board approval will be requested to extend the contract with Eco-Counter, Inc.'s services, to provide for continued operations and maintenance of existing equipment over an additional five-year period in a total amount not to exceed \$100,000. The count equipment and data subscription services are proprietary to Eco-Counter, Inc. Due to the proprietary nature of the service with Eco-Counter, Inc., a sole source contract is the only mechanism to continue these services. A combination of Surface Transportation Block Grant funds and Transportation

Development Credits will be utilized. NCTCOG will be reimbursed for a portion of these costs from participating local governments to cover the costs of equipment batteries, data subscriptions, and maintenance and equipment repair costs as necessary per executed agreements. Approximately \$50,000 is anticipated to be reimbursed to NCTCOG by local governments participating in the program.

A draft resolution is attached for Executive Board consideration authorizing an extension of services with the equipment vendor Eco-Counter, Inc., for continuation of electronic data subscription services and operations/maintenance assistance for the existing equipment over an additional five-year period, and any necessary equipment technology upgrades during that period. Attachment 1 to this document identifies the locations of existing count equipment across the region owned by NCTCOG, as well as equipment locations owned by the Texas Department of Transportation and other local governments that share data with NCTCOG. These locations are all part of the Eco-Counter, Inc. contract.

I will be available to provide a brief presentation of this item and answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

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Attachments

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF SERVICES WITH ECO-COUNTER, INC., TO CONTINUE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN (ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION) USER COUNT SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone, and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 5.03 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program includes implementation of a bicycle and pedestrian monitoring and data collection program in the region and coordination with local governments on initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, the bicycle and pedestrian user count program assists with obtaining data for uses such as trend analysis, updating air quality calculations for active transportation facilities, and to help identify non-motorized commuting patterns and volumes in the region; and,

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2014, the Executive Board authorized the purchase of equipment and data transmission services, from Eco-Counter, Inc., associated with collecting pedestrian and bicyclist counts on trails and bikeways in the region, as well as the associated operation and maintenance activities over a five-year period; and,

WHEREAS, the equipment and five-year data transmission services were procured and installed in various locations since mid-2014; and,

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2019, the Executive Board authorized funding to continue the operations and maintenance activities with this regional data collection program, including equipment technology upgrades necessary and data subscriptions, for an additional five-year period timeframe to 2024; and,

WHEREAS, extension of the contract for electronic data transmission services, operations/maintenance assistance, and any necessary equipment technology upgrades will allow the count program to continue for an additional five-year period through Fiscal Year 2029.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to extend the contract for electronic data subscription services and operations/maintenance assistance and any necessary equipment technology upgrades with the equipment vendor, Eco-Counter, Inc., over an additional five-year period in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

Section 2. NCTCOG is authorized to receive and enter into any necessary Agreements and receive contributions of approximately \$50,000 in local funds from participating partners in cities where the counters are located, for the purchase and continuation of electronic data transmission services and operations/maintenance assistance and any necessary equipment repairs or technology upgrades.

Section 3. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute agreements necessary to carry out this program, including agreements for receipt of matching funds, in the name of NCTCOG.

Section 4. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

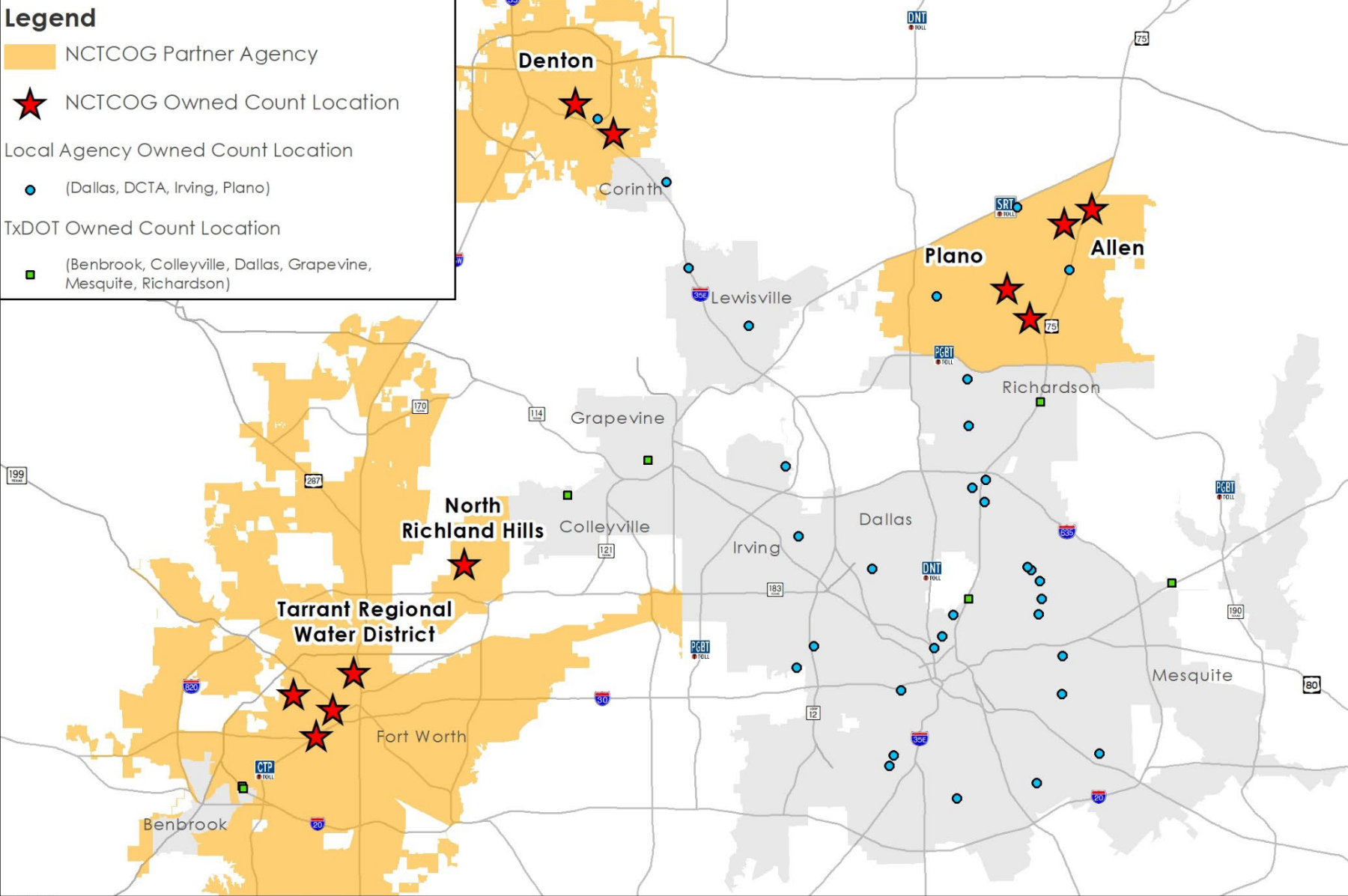
I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

NCTCOG Regional Bicycle & Pedestrian Traffic Count Program

Legend

- NCTCOG Partner Agency
- NCTCOG Owned Count Location
- Local Agency Owned Count Location
 - (Dallas, DCTA, Irving, Plano)
- TxDOT Owned Count Location
 - (Benbrook, Colleyville, Dallas, Grapevine, Mesquite, Richardson)





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Item 8

Exhibit: 2024-03-08-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with White Settlement for Landbanking to Support Critical Regional Infrastructure

On March 24, 2022, the Executive Board approved Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds in the amount of \$2,700,000 for landbanking to support critical regional infrastructure. On March 21, 2024, the RTC reallocated the funding between parcel acquisition and site improvement/maintenance. These funds supplement RTC's long-standing Landbanking Program. The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Executive Board serves as RTC's fiduciary agent for these funds.

Staff is seeking authorization to amend the Interlocal Agreement to reallocate the funding to \$2,400,000 in parcel acquisition and \$300,000 in site improvements/maintenance consistent with RTC action. The total amount of funding of \$2,700,000 is proposed to remain the same. This reallocation of funds will be used to accommodate acquisition of the second remaining parcel through a land exchange. This property is located at the south end of the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth runway within the Accident "Clear Zone", which is reflected in the attached map.

A draft resolution authorizing an Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement along with fiduciary responsibilities to support critical regional infrastructure is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to provide a brief presentation on this item and answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

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Attachments

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH WHITE SETTLEMENT FOR LANDBANKING TO SUPPORT CRITICAL REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2022, NCTCOG's Executive Board authorized an Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement to support landbanking for critical regional infrastructure consistent with the RTC action on March 10, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, on April 14, 2022, NCTCOG entered into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement to conduct the scope of work; and,

WHEREAS, there is a current strategic opportunity to secure the remaining parcel through a land swap with the Knights of Columbus, City of White Settlement and the Naval Air Station to implement elements of the landbanking program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. An amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between NCTCOG and the City of White Settlement to reallocate the funding to \$2,400,000 in parcel acquisition and \$300,000 in site improvements/maintenance, be and is hereby approved. The \$2,700,000 not to exceed amount remains unchanged.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.


Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson


NAS JRB Fort Worth

Existing Parcels Near
Southern Clear Zone
With Potential Exchange

 **Clear Zone**

Potential Exchange Areas

 City of White Settlement to
Knights of Columbus

 Knights of Columbus to NAS JRB


Parcel Ownership (2022)


Private Property


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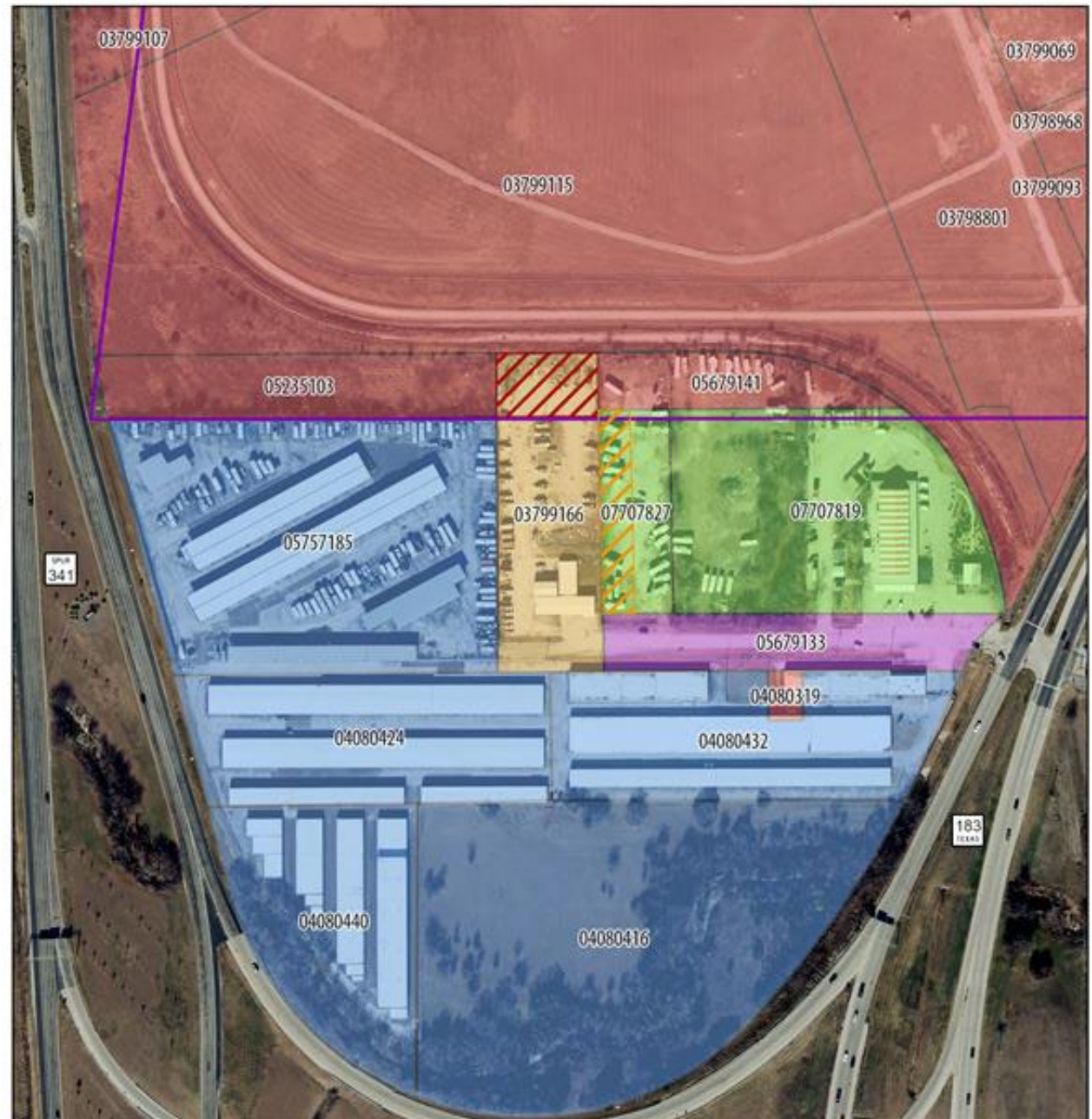
 RPC STORAGE 13 PORTFOLIO LLC

Public Property

 City of White Settlement

 NAS JRB

 State of Texas





North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 9

Exhibit: 2024-03-09-AG

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Doni Green
Director of Aging Programs

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts with In-Home Service Providers

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), in its capacity as the designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA), receives Title III funding through the Older Americans Act, a portion of which must be used to purchase in-home services for frail older adults. Specific in-home services funded by the AAA are homemaker, personal assistance, and agency-managed respite.

In November 2023, the Executive Board authorized contracts with seven providers of homemaker, personal assistance and respite services. Since these agencies do not provide adequate coverage of the AAA service area, NCTCOG launched RFP No. 2024-40 Supplemental In-Home Services: Homemaker, Personal Assistance and Respite Services in January 2024.

In response to RFP No. 2024-40, NCTCOG received 11 applications. It convened a review committee, comprised of NCTCOG staff, and the committee recommends that contracts be issued to 10 respondents.

Under the contracts, in-home service providers are reimbursed on a unit rate basis for actual services rendered. Pending Board approval, in-home service contracts will be in effect from April 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, with the option to issue up to four one-year extensions.

With this as background, staff recommends Board authorization to contract with 2Gether Resources Group, AccuAid Care Services, Aunt Mae's Home Care, Embark Care, J&L Innovations, KJ Quality Care, Koroheke Care, Lexiscom Group, Supportive In-Home Care, and Texas Care One Home Health Agency for in-home services, thereby addressing the needs of frail older adults and their family caregivers.

A draft resolution authorizing contracts for in-home services with the aforementioned providers, for maximum 65-month terms and in cumulative amount not to exceed \$3 million, is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will provide a brief presentation and be available to respond to questions prior to seeking Board approval.

DG/CT

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH IN-HOME SERVICE PROVIDERS

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Area Agency on Aging for State Planning Region 4A by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC); and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG receives federal and state funds that are designated for provision of in-home services—including homemaker, personal assistance and respite—for frail older adults; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG conducted competitive procurement for in-home services and received 11 (eleven) applications, which have been evaluated by a review committee; and,

WHEREAS, the review committee recommends that contracts be extended to 10 (ten) applicants; and

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with state regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and 2Gether Resources Group, AccuAid Care Services, Aunt Mae’s Home Care, Embark Care, J&L Innovations, KJ Quality Care, Koroheke Care, Lexiscom Group, Supportive In-Home Care, and Texas Care One Home Health Agency for in-home services for maximum sixty-five (65) month terms and in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$3,500,000, be and are hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary Agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Government
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 10

Exhibit: 2024-03-10-EP

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Maribel Martinez
Director of Emergency Preparedness

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contract for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise

This is a request to award a contract to Centurion Solutions for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise Services for use by Regional Emergency Preparedness partners.

The purpose of the contract is to retain the services of a firm to conduct a regional project that will involve the collaboration of emergency management, cybersecurity, intelligence, and public safety partners in the development of a multi-discipline workshop and exercise to include NCTCOG area Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs), 3 area Fusion Centers, and cybersecurity stakeholders.

NCTCOG prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) #2024-034 for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise with proposals due on February 2, 2024. Eight (8) responsive proposals were received and publicly opened. The proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of staff from NCTCOG and the City of Carrollton. Following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending a contract award to Centurion Solutions.

A draft resolution authorizing a contract with Centurion Solutions for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise in an amount not to exceed \$105,000 is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available at the Executive Board meeting should you have any questions.

MM: jc

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
CENTERS/FUSION/CYBER WORKSHOP AND TABLETOP EXERCISE**

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) #2024-034 for Emergency Operations Centers/Fusion/Cyber Workshop and Tabletop Exercise was issued and proposals received on February 2, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of NCTCOG and member government staff; and,

WHEREAS, following evaluation, it is recommended that a contract be awarded to Centurion Solutions; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement #2024-034.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. A contract between NCTCOG and Centurion Solutions, in an amount not to exceed \$105,000, be and is hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

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Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
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Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 11

Exhibit: 2024-03-11-AA

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Randy Richardson
Director of Administration

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Compensation Study Consulting Services

This is a request to award contracts to Management Advisory Group International, Cooperative Personal Services dba CPS HR Consulting, and Crowe LLP for Compensation Study Consulting Services through the North Central Texas Council of Governments TXShare cooperative purchasing program. The contracts will be available for use by members of the TXShare cooperative.

The purpose of the contracts is to retain the services of firms that offer:

- 1) Consulting Services including but not limited to the following:
 - Developing and/or ensuring job descriptions accurately describe the job functions performed by the employee;
 - Utilizing the revised job descriptions to create job structure and families;
 - Utilizing newly created job families to generate recommended job levels and salary grades;
 - Recommending salary ranges for use with grades that are informed by Compensation Philosophy and/or strategy;
 - Conducting compensation benchmarking of jobs to relevant market data;
 - Creating market-driven compensation structure(s) to comparable government agencies;
 - Developing guidelines and methodology to ensure placement within the compensation structure takes internal equity between jobs into account;
 - Conducting equity analyses for internal pay relationship, as well as creating a method for internal agencies' staff to use to perform ongoing equity analysis;
 - Preparing and presenting summary report, proving explanation and outline of methodology used;
 - Providing cost-effective recommendations on at least three (3) implementation options for any changes proposed; and
 - Proposing guidelines to maintain resulting/recommended compensation structure, levels, and grades; similarly, proposing processes for updates to job descriptions in a consistent and comparable manner so that internal placement remains defensible.

- 2) Optional Ancillary Services, including but not limited to the following:
 - Full Compensation Package Review;
 - Employee engagement survey;
 - Incentive plans; and
 - Other services that offeror proposes.

NCTCOG prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) #2024-018 for Compensation Study Consulting Services with proposals due on January 12, 2024. Six (6) proposals were received and publicly opened. The proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of NCTCOG staff and representatives from the Cities of Keller, Grand Prairie, & McKinney. Following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending contracts be awarded to:

- Management Advisory Group International
- Cooperative Personal Services dba CPS HR Consulting
- Crowe LLP

A draft resolution authorizing contracts for Compensation Study Consulting Services for maximum five (5) year terms is attached for Executive Board consideration. If approved, the contracts will be available to agencies throughout the United States through the TXShare cooperative purchasing program.

I will be available at the Executive Board meeting should you have any questions.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR COMPENSATION STUDY CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) #2024-018 for Compensation Study Consulting Services was issued and proposals received on January 12, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of NCTCOG staff and multiple member agencies; and,

WHEREAS, following evaluation, it is recommended that contracts be awarded to Management Advisory Group International, Cooperative Personal Services dba CPS HR Consulting, and Crowe LLP; and,

WHEREAS, the contracts are intended to be utilized by NCTCOG, its member governments and other participating entities as part of NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement #2024-018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Management Advisory Group International, Cooperative Personal Services dba CPS HR Consulting, and Crowe LLP for Compensation Study Consulting Services for maximum five (5) year terms, be and are hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out this program, including agreements with member governments and other entities wishing to participate in NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

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Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

Compensation Study Consulting Services

TXSHARE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM

RFP #2024-018

- Purpose – Retain firms to assist member entities with compensation studies and related consulting services.
- TXShare Program – Cooperative Purchasing Program, available to public entities across Texas, as well as those NATIONWIDE, providing cooperative contracts and pricing for members with awarded vendors.

Compensation Study Consulting Services


RFP 2024-018



- Published – December 2023; received five (5) responsive & one (1) non-responsive proposals.
- Evaluation Committee – Total of five (5) evaluators from NCTCOG, NCT9-1-1 and external TXShare members.

Compensation Study Consulting Services

RFP 2024-018




The Evaluation Committee recommends awarding contracts to the following three (3) vendors for maximum 5-year terms:

- Management Advisory Group International
- Cooperative Personal Services dba CPS HR Consulting
- Crowe, LLP

Compensation Study Consulting Services

RFP 2024-018





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Item 12

Exhibit: 2024-03-12-RIS

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Tim Barbee
Director of Research and Information Services

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Purchases of Information Technology Related Services

In January 2024, the Executive Board authorized contracts with numerous vendors for Deliverables-Based Information Technology Services (RFP #2023-069) with intended utilization by both NCTCOG and participating TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program members. At the time, staff indicated contract authorization for NCTCOG expenditures with the awarded vendors would be sought at subsequent meetings as needs were identified. The services accessed by NCTCOG from these vendors are offered at fixed rates for the life of the contract, providing significant potential benefit to the Agency. Following initial review of anticipated expenditures, staff is seeking Executive Board purchase authorization for the six (6) vendors listed below for approximate five (5) year terms. The purchase authorization amounts are based on information provided by each of the departments within NCTCOG concerning their Information Technology needs, licensing and maintenance costs of enterprise software and solutions, and expected projects to be completed over the timeframe. The information by vendor is presented in the following chart:

Vendor	Five-Year Authorization
MCCi	\$ 1,925,000
BlueModus	\$ 4,505,000
M2 Strategy	\$ 460,000
Gartner	\$ 500,000
Planet Technologies	\$ 5,800,000
Webhead	\$ 2,780,000

A draft resolution authorizing NCTCOG purchases of information technology related services with the six (6) vendors referenced above is enclosed for Executive Board consideration. Additional vendors awarded through TXShare #2023-069 which are identified for NCTCOG use, based on projected needs and potential cost savings, will be presented at future Executive Board meetings.

I will be available to respond to any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASES OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RELATED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, in January 2024, the NCTCOG Executive Board authorized contracts with numerous vendors for Deliverables-Based Information Technology Services (RFP #2023-069) with intended utilization by both NCTCOG and participating TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program members; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG staff has reviewed and determined anticipated five (5) year expenditures with six (6) of the awarded vendors and is seeking Executive Board purchase authorization; and,

WHEREAS, the requested action is limited to NCTCOG expenditures and does not impact TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program members' ability to access or utilize these contracts; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contracting and procurement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes NCTCOG purchases of Information Technology (IT) related services for approximate five (5) year terms with the listed vendors and not to exceed amounts shown below:

Vendor	Five-Year Authorization
MCCi	\$ 1,925,000
BlueModus	\$ 4,505,000
M2 Strategy	\$ 460,000
Gartner	\$ 500,000
Planet Technologies	\$ 5,800,000
Webhead	\$ 2,780,000

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described here, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



IT AUTHORIZATIONS THROUGH TXSHARE

The logo for TXSHARE, featuring the word "TXSHARE" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The text is centered on a black background that has a colorful, wavy, abstract design at the top and bottom edges, transitioning from orange and red to teal and blue.A rectangular box with a gradient background from orange to teal. Inside the box, the text "DELIVERABLES-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, centered and stacked in four lines.

VENDOR AUTHORIZATIONS THRU TXSHARE

Includes

- Expected Future Year Projects
- Locked-in rates for life of contracts
- Expenditures controlled by annually adopted budget

Vendor	Five-Year Authorization
<u>MCCi</u>	\$ 1,925,000
<u>BlueModus</u>	\$ 4,505,000
M2 Strategy	\$ 460,000
Garner	\$ 500,000
Planet Technologies	\$ 5,800,000
<u>Webhead</u>	\$ 2,780,000

RECOMMENDATION

- USE TXSHARE PROGRAM FOR QUALIFIED VENDORS
- INCREASE TO FIVE-YEAR AUTHORIZATION AS PERMITTED BY STATE PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS
- ANNUAL REPORT ON EXPENDITURES AGAINST AUTHORIZATIONS



QUESTIONS?



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 13

Exhibit: 2024-03-13-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Approving the Process to Establish the Regional Project Priorities for the 2025-2026 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program's Community Development Fund

NCTCOG has a partnership with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) to help administer the Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG) Program's Community Development Fund. This fund is available to non-entitlement communities on a biennial basis for funding through a competition in each of the 24 state planning regions. Although most funds are used for Public Facilities (water/wastewater infrastructure, street and drainage improvements, and housing activities), there are numerous other activities for which these funds may be used. Each region is responsible for identifying their project priorities.

Non-entitlement cities are located predominately in rural areas and are cities with populations less than 50,000 persons; cities that are not designated as a central city of a metropolitan statistical area; and cities that are not participating in urban county programs. Non-entitlement counties are also predominately rural in nature and are counties that generally have fewer than 200,000 persons in the non-entitlement cities and unincorporated areas located in the county. There are currently 175 non-entitlement communities in the North Central Texas region.

NCTCOG is responsible for facilitating the process to rank TxCDBG-eligible project activities by priority based on the region's unique needs and stakeholder feedback. These Regional Project Priorities will account for 25 percent of the total points in scoring Community Development Fund applications. Under CDBG rules, the governing body of the state planning region is responsible for establishing these priorities and communicating the decision to TDA or may appoint a committee to carry out these tasks. The region's decision must be established during a public meeting with the public notified in advance of the meeting.

In an effort to ensure non-entitlement communities' needs are represented, NCTCOG's Environment and Development Department staff are proposing a process to effectively identify the North Central Texas' Regional Project Priorities for the 2025-2026 Community Development Fund applications. This process entails: providing non-entitlement communities an opportunity via online survey to select prioritized activities based on three tiers with points assigned to each tier; compiling survey results to evaluate trends and commonalities for each tier, and hosting a Public Meeting on May 3, 2024, to present the results, provide the opportunity for public comments, and publicly develop the community feedback for the TDA based on received community feedback. Staff will then provide TDA with this feedback by May 15, 2024, with a document signed by the Executive Director or designee. Staff is seeking approval of this process from the NCTCOG Executive Board, through the adoption of a resolution.

I will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Executive Board acceptance.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROCESS TO ESTABLISH THE REGIONAL PROJECT PRIORITIES FOR THE 2025-2026 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is authorized to execute necessary agreements with the Texas Department of Agriculture to support the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program under Fiscal Year 2023-2024, Funding Initiatives Supporting Sustainable Environmental Excellence; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG entered into a 2023 Community and Economic Development Assistance Fund contract with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) on October 4, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, through this contract, NCTCOG is responsible for providing technical assistance to non-entitlement communities and facilitating the process to establish regional scoring criteria used by TDA to select applicants for funding under the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program's Community Development Fund for the 2025-2026 application cycle; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has identified a process to effectively identify the North Central Texas Regional Project Priorities for the 2025-2026 Community Development Fund applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** The NCTCOG Executive Board approves the process outlined below to establish the North Central Texas Regional Project Priorities:
- Provide non-entitlement communities in the region an opportunity (e.g., via an online survey) to select prioritized activities based on three tiers and to assign points to each tier;
 - Compile these results to evaluate trends and commonalities to assign a project priority tier to each activity category and points for each tier;
 - Present the prioritized tier results with a recommendation at a Public Meeting scheduled for May 3, 2024;
 - Provide a public comment period during the Public Meeting;
 - Establish the decision during the Public Meeting for the regional priorities based on input (e.g., via an online survey) and meeting feedback; and
 - Notify TDA via email of the decision by May 15, 2024, with a document signed by the Executive Director or designee.

- Section 2.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to approve and submit the decision determined at the Public Meeting as a result of input (e.g., via an online survey) and meeting feedback to TDA in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments and on behalf of non-entitlement communities.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 14

Exhibit: 2024-03-14-ED

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) Grants Program

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) has opened a funding opportunity under the Flood Infrastructure Fund, which was created by the 86th Texas Legislature as a part of several bills entrusting the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) with new responsibilities related to funding flood mitigation projects and planning for future flood events. On November 5, 2019, Texas voters approved Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) to assist in the financing of drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects, including:

- planning and design activities;
- work to obtain necessary regulatory approvals; and
- construction and/or implementation of flood projects.

This program is governed by administrative rules found in 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Part 10, Chapter 363, Subchapters A (general provisions governing state-funded programs) and D (provisions specific to flood mitigation project funding) and the Flood Intended Use Plan (Flood IUP) applicable to the TWDB's commitment. Eligible organizations may apply for grant funding for specific flood management projects identified in the State Flood Plan.

Transportation and Environment and Development Department staff have communicated extensively with local governments across the region and documented substantial demand for grant funding related to expanding the acreage and quality of green space in the NCTCOG region to improve local air quality, reduce urban heat island areas, and reduce urban flood response including floodplain area and number of flooded structures. These efforts support implementation of the State Flood Management Plan for Region 3.

The NCTCOG is proposing to provide the abridged application for the Flood Management System (FMS) project titled "*Trinity Basin Stakeholder Nature-based Solutions Project Planning and Analysis*" for application to the portion of the Upper Trinity River basin within the NCTCOG region. This project was originally submitted to the Region 3 Flood Management Plan by The Nature Conservancy, based on similar watershed planning efforts they have conducted in other areas of Texas. The project entails: "*Multi-jurisdictional stakeholder engagement, planning and analysis to further refine priority areas for implementing Nature Based Solutions, and identify as well as prepare a portfolio of priority NBS flood mitigation, projects, and strategies.*" This project would build on previous work in the Upper Trinity River basin by The Trinity River Authority, Tarrant Regional Water District, the Cities of Argyle, Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Mesquite, and Rowlett, and non-profits like the Nature Conservancy, the Trust for Public Land, and the Texas Trees Foundation. The end deliverable provides the region-wide

project planning to support implementation of the related projects identified in the Climate Pollution Reduction Program - Priority Climate Action Plan. This project was identified as one of the projects in the TWDB Fiscal Year (FY) 24-25 Ranked List of Flood Management System Projects as a Planning-related project in Region 3.

Based upon the abridged application, the TWDB will conduct a competitive project selection based on criteria including ability to impact flooding to structures, floodplain reductions, cost-effectiveness, and benefits to low-income and disadvantaged communities. With selection by the TWDB, NCTCOG would be invited to submit the full application for related project funding.

Staff is proposing to submit a collaborative regional abridged application on behalf of the entire NCTCOG area, including local cities, the Trinity River Authority and Tarrant Regional Water District, and several non-profit organizations working to expand local "greening" initiatives. Most funding will be administered as pass-through funding provided to local governments or non-profit organizations in the NCTCOG region, who will be selected through Calls for Projects.

A resolution authorizing submittal of this abridged grant application is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will provide a brief presentation of this item and will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TWDB) FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (FIF) GRANTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and nonprofit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Water Development Board released the upcoming Flood Infrastructure Fund Intended Use Plan (IUP) for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024-2025, that accounts for how the FIF will be used during a fiscal year and assists in financing drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects, including planning and design activities necessary for regulatory approvals, construction, and implementation of flood projects; and,

WHEREAS, the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program has released a competitive funding opportunity which will provide awards of up to \$500 million to implement measures included in a Priority Climate Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board approved the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan on February 22, 2024, which was drafted in part to serve as the Priority Climate Action Plan deliverable required by EPA under the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG submitted the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan to the EPA on March 1, enabling the region to compete for implementation grant funding from the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program; and,

WHEREAS, there is strong local support for several projects in the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program, that would benefit from concerted planning and prioritization for green space project provided by implementing this TWDB FIF Project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant proposal will achieve comprehensive water quality improvement, flood impact reduction, will support work across multiple NCTCOG Departments, and enable implementation of measures across transportation, water and wastewater, and agriculture/forestry/land use sectors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes submittal of a grant application in the amount of approximately \$2.0 million to the Texas Water Development Board to implement a planning effort to prioritize green space projects that will reduce local flooding, improve air quality, reduce heat island impacts and reduce both greenhouse gas and criteria pollutant emissions across the transportation, water, and agriculture/forestry/land use sectors.

Section 2. NCTCOG is authorized to receive awarded funds from the Texas Water Development Board.

Section 3. These funds will be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budget(s) and Unified Planning Work Program.

Section 4. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

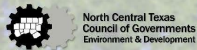
Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

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Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

Grant Application to the Texas Water Development Board FY 24-25 Flood Infrastructure Fund

Susan Alvarez, PE, CFM
Director, Environment & Development
March 28, 2024



FY 24-25 Flood Infrastructure Fund

- ▶ The 86th Texas Legislature passed bills entrusting the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) with new responsibilities related to funding flood mitigation projects and planning for future flood events.
- ▶ On November 5, 2019, Texas voters approved Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) to assist in the financing of drainage, flood mitigation, and flood control projects, including:
 - **planning** and design activities;
 - work to obtain necessary **regulatory approvals**; and
 - construction and/or implementation of **flood projects**.
- ▶ This program is governed by administrative rules found in 31 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Part 10, Chapter 363, Subchapters A and D and the Flood Intended Use Plan (Flood IUP) contains the eligibility criteria, structure of financial assistance, including any subsidies, and criteria to be used by the executive administrator in prioritization of applications for a particular time period or funding cycle.



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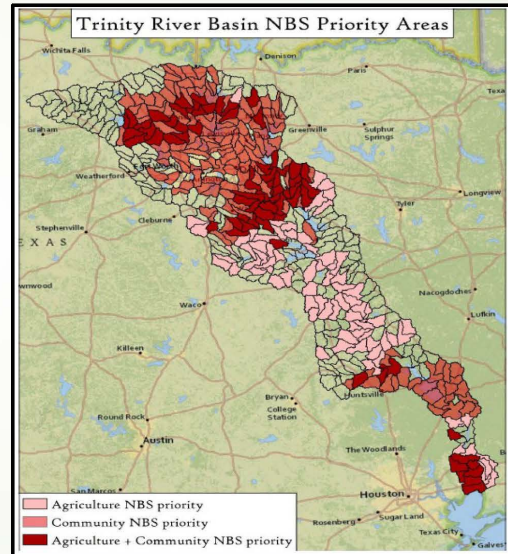
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Trinity Basin Stakeholder Nature-based Solutions Project Planning & Analyses

Project Included in TWDB FY 24-25 Flood Intended Use Plan (Flood IUP)

“Multi-jurisdictional stakeholder engagement, planning and analysis to further refine priority areas for implementing Nature Based Solutions (NBS), and identify as well as prepare a portfolio of priority NBS flood mitigation, projects, and strategies.”

Grant for entire basin: \$1,964,000



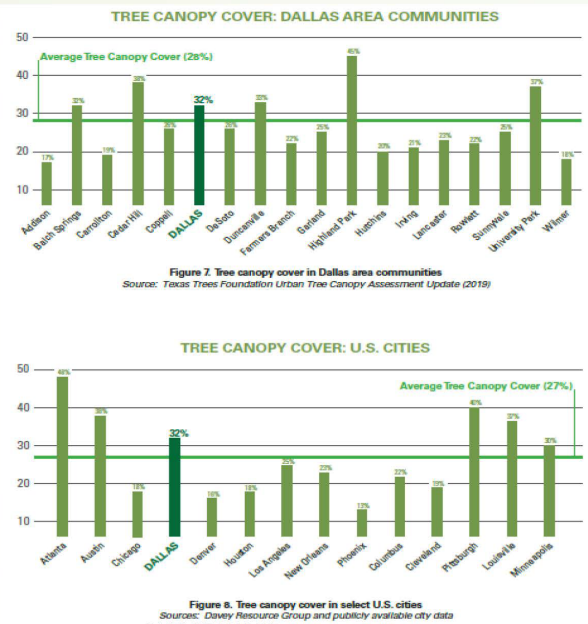
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Local Need: Current Canopy

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- Current Average Canopy in DFW ~ 28%
- Generally consistent with National average of 27%
- Less than Austin (38%); more than Houston (18%)
- Varies from Highland Park (45%) to Addison (17%)
- DFW is #2 to Phoenix for Urban Heat Island impacts.....
- >80% respondents to CPRG surveys indicated desire for more green space

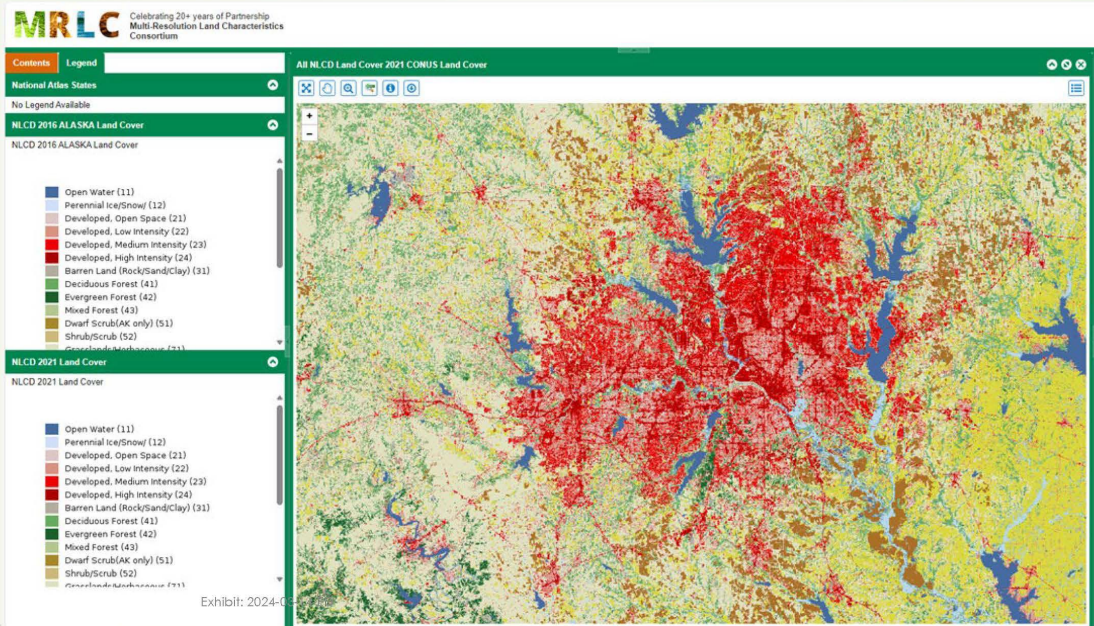


Graphic excerpted from Texas Trees, 2021. Dallas Urban Forest Master Plan

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Local Need.....

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Local Stakeholders

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- Tarrant Regional Water District
- Trinity River Authority
- City of Argyle
- City of Dallas
- City of Denton
- City of Fort Worth
- City of Mesquite
- City of Rowlett
- Texas Trees Foundation
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Trust for Public Lands
- Living Constellations Project

And many others....

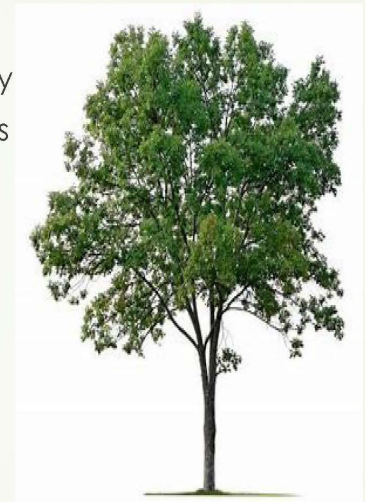


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Grant Timeline

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April 15, 2024 April - May, 2024 June, 2024 September, 2024 October, 2024



Questions?

Susan Alvarez, PE, CFM
Director, Environment & Development
March 28, 2024



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Item 15

Exhibit: 2024-03-15-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM
Director of Environment & Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has opened a funding opportunity under the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Program, which was created by the Inflation Reduction Act. Eligible organizations may apply for grant funding of up to \$500 million to implement measures that were included in Priority Climate Action Plans submitted to the EPA under the CPRG Planning Grants Program. On February 22, 2024, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) received Executive Board approval to submit the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan to fulfill the Priority Climate Action Plan requirement. This plan was submitted to EPA, as required, by March 1, 2024, which enables the region to be eligible for the grant. Applications are due on April 1, 2024.

The EPA will conduct a competitive project selection based on criteria, including cost-effectiveness of greenhouse gas emissions reductions and benefits to low-income and disadvantaged communities (which includes reductions in ozone precursors and particulate matter emissions) The EPA has delineated “Tiers” of funding awards to which an applicant may apply, as illustrated in the following table:

Tier	Grant Ranges	Anticipated Number of Grants to be Awarded
Tier A	\$200M - \$500M	4-10
Tier B	\$100M - \$199M	6-13
Tier C	\$50M - \$99M	6-12
Tier D	\$10M - \$49M	6-30
Tier E	\$2M - \$9.9M	10-50

Transportation and Environment and Development Department staffs have communicated extensively with local governments across the region and documented substantial demand for grant funding to implement measures included in the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan. The structure of the EPA program suggests that multiple awards in a single metropolitan

area are unlikely, and that multiple proposals for the same types of initiatives will not be awarded. Thus, staff proposes to submit a collaborative regional proposal on behalf of the entire NCTCOG area to optimize emissions reductions and minimize competition between local governments. Most funding will then be administered as pass-through funding provided to local governments or other implementing agencies in the NCTCOG region, who will be selected through a combination of Calls for Projects and strategic selection of local government recipients.

NCTCOG staff understands that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) also plans to submit a grant proposal in the Tier A category. Therefore, to optimize competitiveness, staff proposes to apply to Tier B for approximately \$199 million to implement programs that reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and criteria pollutants in the transportation, energy, water/wastewater, solid waste, and agriculture/forestry/land-use sectors. There is no overlap expected between projects in the State proposal and the NCTCOG proposal.

In the event TCEQ does not pursue a proposal, staff proposes to increase the NCTCOG funding request to approximately \$398 million to compete in the Tier A category.

Additional information and a draft resolution authorizing submittal of this grant proposal is attached for Executive Board consideration. We will provide a brief presentation of this item and will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

LPC:cmg
Attachment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and nonprofit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, which provides funding for the development and implementation of plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and harmful air pollutants; and,

WHEREAS, the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program has released a competitive funding opportunity, which will provide awards of up to \$500 million to implement measures included in a Priority Climate Action Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the NCTCOG Executive Board approved the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan on February 22, 2024, which was drafted, in part, to serve as the Priority Climate Action Plan deliverable required by EPA under the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG submitted the Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan to EPA on March 1, 2024, enabling the region to compete for implementation grant funding from the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed grant proposal will achieve comprehensive air quality improvement, support work across multiple NCTCOG departments, and enable implementation of measures across transportation, energy, solid waste management, water/ wastewater, and agriculture/forestry/land-use sectors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Executive Board authorizes submittal of a grant application in the amount of approximately \$199 million to the Environmental Protection Agency to implement measures that reduce greenhouse gas and criteria pollutant emissions across the transportation, energy, water/wastewater, solid waste, and agriculture/forestry/land-use sectors.

Section 2. The Executive Board authorizes staff to increase the funding requested in the grant application to approximately \$398 million if the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality does not pursue a statewide grant application.

Section 3. NCTCOG is authorized to receive awarded funds from the Environmental Protection Agency.

Section 4. These funds will be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budget(s) and Unified Planning Work Program.

Section 5. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 6. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



Grant Proposal to the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program

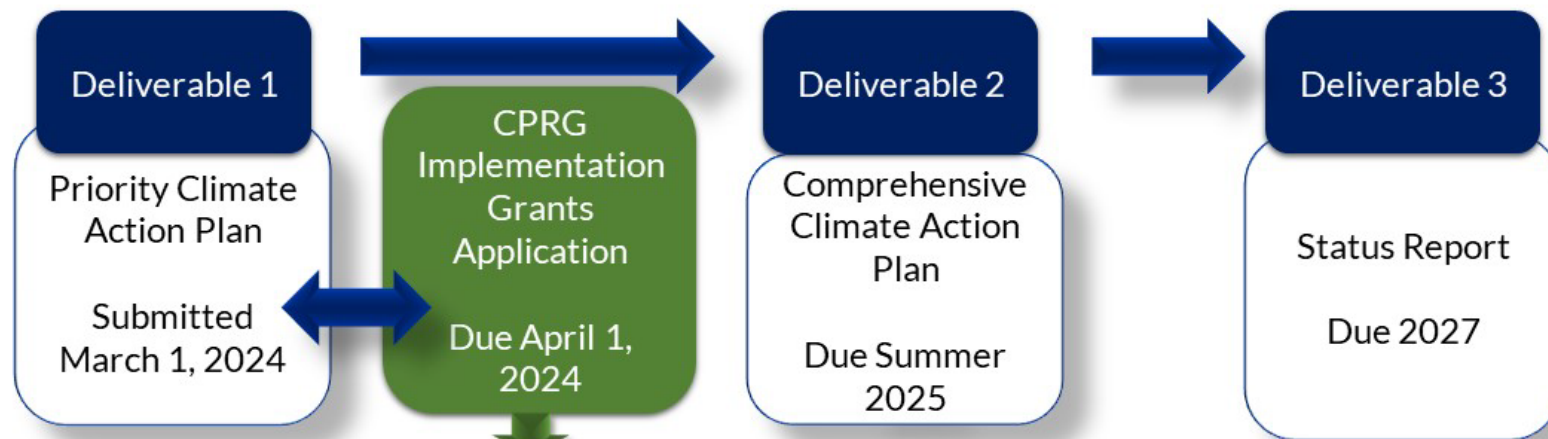


Michael Morris, P.E., Director of Transportation
Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM, Director of Environment & Development

NCTCOG Executive Board
3.28.2024

Implementation Grant Program Background

DFW Air Quality Improvement Plan Submitted March 1 Enables Eligibility Under EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grants: Implementation Grants Program



Opportunity to Implement Measures in the Plan that:

- ✓ Reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs)
- ✓ Reduce ozone pollution
- ✓ Reduce particulate matter pollution
- ✓ Implement infrastructure projects



Implementation Grants Structure

EPA Funding Tier	Grant Amount	Anticipated Number of Grants to be Awarded
Tier A	\$200M - \$500M	4-10
Tier B	\$100M - \$199M	6-13
Tier C	\$50M - \$99M	6-12
Tier D	\$10M - \$49M	6-30
Tier E	\$2M - \$9.9M	10-50

Program Structure Incentivizes Collaborative Applications

- EPA will not award multiple grants for the same initiative in the same area

Proposed Approach

- Pursue Regional Proposal on Behalf of the Entire NCTCOG Region
 - Most Funding to be Administered as Pass-Through to Local Governments or Other Implementers
- Utilize EPA Standard Advance Payment for Cash Flow as Primary Financial Mechanism
- Avoid Applying to the Same Tier as the State's Application
 - State Expected to Pursue Tier A



Proposed Implementation Grants Request

Requesting Board Approval to Pursue Tier B Proposal
\$199 Million for a 5-Year Project

Requesting Flexibility to Increase Request to Tier A Levels if State does not Proceed with Proposal

Sector	Local Government Project Requests Submitted	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Transportation	\$1.5 B	\$122 M	\$244 M
Energy	\$300 M	\$20 M	\$40 M
Water/Wastewater	\$197 M	\$17 M	\$34 M
Resource (Waste) Management	\$287 M	\$23 M	\$46 M
Agriculture/Forestry/Land Use	\$65 M	\$17 M	\$34 M
Total		\$199 M	\$398 M



Proposed Implementation Grants Request – Transportation Measures

Measure	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Active Transportation Program	\$10M	\$25M
Clean Vehicle & Equipment Program*	\$37M	\$60M
Enhanced Regional Traffic Signal Timing Program	\$10M	\$20M
Green Purchasing/Green Construction Program	\$10M	\$20M
LED Streetlighting Program	\$5M	\$5M
Transit Enhancement Program	\$10M	\$25M
Truck/Rail Flow Optimization Program	\$25M	\$64M
Urban Heat Island and Green Spaces Program	\$15M	\$25M
Total Funding for Transportation Measures	\$122M	\$244M

**Includes funding to upgrade refuse hauling vehicles, which is a measure in the Waste Management Sector but will be implemented as part of this Transportation Sector measure*



Proposed Implementation Grants Request – Energy Measures*

Measure	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Public Sector Energy Efficiency and Refrigerant Transition Program	\$8M	\$17M
Residential Efficiency Rebate Program	\$2M	\$3M
Distributed Energy and Resilience for Public Entities	\$10M	\$20M
Total Funding for Energy Measures	\$20M	\$40M

**Includes funding for staff administrative efforts to manage and implement the grant*



Proposed Implementation Grants Request – Water/Wastewater Measures*

Measure	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Green Infrastructure Implementation Projects	\$6 M	\$10 M
Water & Wastewater Energy Upgrade Projects	\$11 M	\$19 M
Effluent Reuse Projects	\$0 M	\$5 M
Total Funding for Water/Wastewater Measures	\$17 M	\$34 M

**Includes funding for staff administrative efforts to manage and implement the grant*



Proposed Implementation Grants Request – Resource (Waste) Management Measures*

Measure	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Western Regional Resource Management Facility, Phase 1	\$11 M	\$22 M
Expand Regional Recycling Facility Projects	\$6 M	\$12 M
Expand Regional Composting Facility Projects	\$6 M	\$12 M
Total Funding for Resource (Waste) Management Measures	\$23 M	\$46 M

**Includes funding for staff administrative efforts to manage and implement the grant*



Proposed Implementation Grants Request – Agriculture/Forestry/Land Use Measures*

Measure	Minimum Funding (Tier B)	Maximum Funding (Tier A)
Urban Forest Canopy Expansion Projects	\$7 M	\$14 M
Regional Green Space & Agriculture Implementation Projects	\$5 M	\$10 M
Riparian Improvement Projects	\$5 M	\$10 M
Total Funding for Agriculture/Forestry/Land Use Measures	\$17 M	\$34 M

**Includes funding for staff administrative efforts to manage and implement the grant*



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Item 16

Exhibit: 2024-03-16-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Agreements for the Receipt of Funds for Planning and Implementation Programs from the Texas Department of Transportation

The Executive Board periodically approves receipt of funding for continuation and enhancement of ongoing transportation and air quality initiatives and for new projects implemented and managed by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) at the request of the Regional Transportation Council (RTC). The resolution approving receipt of revenue and execution of necessary agreements is included in agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). This item allows planning and implementation programs in the region to be administered and managed by NCTCOG that focus on efforts such as congestion reduction, multi-modal transportation opportunities, and air quality.

The RTC approved the programming of funds for these projects at various times, and the latest approval dates are included in the attached tables. In preparation for development and execution of FY2025 agreements, staff requests Executive Board approval to receive approximately \$96,278,000 (\$66,313,000 STBG + \$10,025,000 CMAQ + \$4,000,000 Category 10 + \$12,690,000 RTR + \$1,250,000 Local + \$1,000,000 State + \$1,000,000 RTR as match + 14,467,600 in RTC Transportation Development Credits in lieu of cash match). Attachment 1 contains a table detailing individual funding agreements. NCTCOG will coordinate with TxDOT to enter into agreements to receive these funds. A substantial portion of funding will be administered as pass-through funding to subrecipients and consultants.

A draft resolution authorizing the receipt of funds for planning and implementation programs is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will provide a brief presentation of this item and will be available to answer any questions.

AL:tmb
Attachments

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS FOR THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FOR PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMS FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, in April 2022, May 2022, October 2022, July 2023, October 2023, December 2023, February 2024, and March 2024 the RTC authorized the programming of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, Category 10, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, and Regional Toll Revenue funds and associated match for planning and implementation programs to be administered and managed by NCTCOG.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** NCTCOG is authorized to receive Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, Category 10, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, and Regional Toll Revenue funds and associated match in the amount of approximately \$96,278,000, as reflected in Attachment 1.
- Section 2.** These funds are programmed for multiple fiscal years and shall be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program.
- Section 3.** The Executive Board accepts the fiduciary responsibility to administer the planning and implementation programs carried out with these funds.
- Section 4.** The Executive Director or designee is authorized to enter into agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation for each project specified in Attachment 1.
- Section 5.** NCTCOG is authorized to expend funds for the projects and in the amounts specified in Attachment 1. NCTCOG is responsible for 100 percent of project costs in excess of the authorized federal funding amount for the individual projects in Attachment 1.

Section 6. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to enter into agreements with other partners to carry out these programs, including agreements for the receipt of local match.

Section 7. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

ATTACHMENT 1

Program Title (Non-Construction Projects)	TIP Code	RTC Approval Date	Funding Source	Total Funding Amount (TDCs not included in total)	Federal/ Regional	Match Amount				Fiscal Year(s)*	Program Status	
						State	Local	RTR	TDC^			
Air Quality Energy Efficiency Initiatives	11660.1	10/13/2022**	RTR	\$ 2,350,000	\$ 2,350,000					25-26	New	
Air Quality Public Education and Outreach Programs	11657.2	10/13/2022	CMAQ	\$ 2,075,000	\$ 2,075,000				830,000	25-26	Ongoing	
			STBG	\$ 2,075,000	\$ 2,075,000							
Arlington Entertainment District Special Event User App	25010	10/12/2023	RTR	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000					25	New	
Automated Transportation System Initiative	11554.3	7/13/2023	STBG	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000				100,000	25-26	New	
Autonomous Mobile Vehicle to Residential Locations Pilot Project	11684.6	5/12/2022**	STBG	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000				1,000,000	25	New	
Dallas International District Automated Transportation System	21044	5/12/2022**	STBG	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000				400,000	25	New	
Technology to Detect & Verify Auto Occupancy	11663.3	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 3,888,000	\$ 3,888,000				777,600	25-26	Ongoing	
DFW Automated Vehicle Work Zone Project (Region-Wide)	11678	3/21/2024**	STBG	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000				500,000	25	Ongoing	
Environmental Impact Statement Coordination on Regional Projects	16006	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000				80,000	25	Ongoing	
Flooded Roads Information Systems Project	24032	2/8/2024	STBG	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000				400,000	25	New	
High-Speed Rail/Cedars Planning Study	21028	5/12/2022**	STBG	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000				400,000	25	New	
IH 30 from Dallas/Tarrant County Line to IH 635	21079	5/12/2022**	STBG	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 800,000				25	New	
IH 30 from IH 35W to Dallas/Tarrant County Line	21080	5/12/2022**	STBG	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 200,000				25	New	
Land Use/Transportation and Bike Pedestrian Initiatives	11647.2	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 5,675,000	\$ 5,675,000				1,135,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Management and Oversight of Regional Safety Program	14038.2	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 11,075,000	\$ 11,075,000				2,215,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Mansfield Line Passenger Rail Study	16003	10/13/2022**	STBG	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000				200,000	25	New	
McKinney Avenue Transit Authority M-Line Extension	14014	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 600,000	\$ 600,000				120,000	25	New	
Northwest and Southwest Fort Worth Subarea Studies	16004	10/13/2022**	STBG	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 1,100,000				220,000	25-26	New	
Plano Legacy Area Automated Transportation System	11554.2	10/13/2022**	STBG	\$ 375,000	\$ 375,000				75,000	25	New	
Regional Air Quality Initiatives	11694.1	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 6,300,000				1,260,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Regional Parking Management Tools and Strategies Program	11692.1	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 550,000	\$ 550,000				110,000	25	Ongoing	
Regional Scrap Tire Abatement Program Development & Implementation	16001	3/21/2024	RTR	\$ 790,000	\$ 790,000					25	New	
Regional Traffic Management Systems	11691.1	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 5,515,000	\$ 5,515,000				1,103,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Regional Traffic Signal Retiming	11616.1	10/13/2022	CMAQ	\$ 7,950,000	\$ 7,950,000				1,590,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Roadway Safety Audits	11626	12/14/2023	STBG	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000				300,000	25	New	
Safety Program to Reduce Youth Fatalities due to Motor Vehicle Crashes	11647.3	3/21/2024	RTR	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000					25	New	
South Dallas Improved Bicycle/Pedestrian Routes to Rail and Transit Technology Upgrades	25104.1	4/14/2022	RTR	\$ 6,250,000	\$ 5,000,000		\$ 1,250,000			25	New	
Special Events Management	16007	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 1,150,000	\$ 1,150,000				230,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Technical Expertise, Assistance for Surface Transportation Planning Projects and Legal Support for Innovative Financing on Transportation and Air Quality	11654.2	10/13/2022	RTR	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000					25	Ongoing	
Technology and Innovation 3.0	16008	10/13/2022**	STBG	\$ 1,650,000	\$ 1,650,000				330,000	25-26	New	
Travel Survey and Data Collection, Model Refinement Program	11622.4	10/13/2022	STBG	\$ 5,460,000	\$ 5,460,000				1,092,000	25-26	Ongoing	
Various Prioritized Roadway Corridors Identified in the Reigonal Pedestrian Safety Action Plan and Roadway Safety Plan	25015	12/14/2023	Category 10	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 4,000,000			\$ 1,000,000		25	New	
						\$96,278,000	\$ 93,028,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,250,000	\$1,000,000	14,467,600	

* Fiscal Year denotes year in which funds are programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program. However, funds may be spent over multiple years depending on project requirements and schedules, pursuant to this authorization.

^14,467,600 of Transportation Development Credits utilized in lieu of a local match and are not calculated in funding total.

**Funding type or funding year was amended as a staff action, allowable based on RTC TIP modification policies.



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 17

Exhibit: 2024-03-17-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement for Receipt of Funds from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) administers funds for local air quality planning activities under Rider 7 of the agency's legislative appropriation for affected counties that are not designated "nonattainment" for the federal ozone standards. This funding can be used to inventory ozone-related emissions, monitor ozone-related pollution levels, and to cover administrative costs to assist with remaining in attainment of these standards. Work was conducted in Hood and Hunt counties during the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 biennium and staff recommends NCTCOG contract with TCEQ for the current biennium to oversee Rider 7 activities in both eligible counties in the NCTCOG region. Anticipated activities to be conducted include air quality monitoring and inventories of emissions-causing activities, including use of fleet vehicles, electricity consumption, and vehicle crashes.

Executive Board approval will be requested to amend the existing agreement with TCEQ in the amount of \$281,250 to include receipt of approximately \$281,250 in additional funds over the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 biennium for a new total of approximately \$562,500. For continuity purposes, NCTCOG anticipates that activities in Hood County will continue to be carried out by staff employed by the City of Granbury and will seek Board approval to subaward a portion of funds received to the City of Granbury at a future date.

A draft resolution authorizing an amended agreement to accept funding is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will provide a brief presentation on this item and will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

JN:cmg
Attachment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDED AGREEMENT FOR RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and nonprofit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by, and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth region is in nonattainment of the federal air quality standard for ozone and NCTCOG is actively involved in the development and implementation of the State Implementation Plan for air quality; and,

WHEREAS, the RTC is committed to the development and implementation of policies, projects, and programs to improve air quality and reduce emissions that create ozone; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 3.03 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes implementation of air quality initiatives; and,

WHEREAS, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality administers funds for local air quality planning activities under Rider 7 of the agency's legislative appropriation; and,

WHEREAS, local air quality planning activities may be conducted in both Hood and Hunt counties; and,

WHEREAS, In November 2021, the Executive Board approved an agreement with TCEQ to receive approximately \$285,000, and in June 2022, the agreement was executed for an amount of \$281,250.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. An amended agreement between NCTCOG and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for air quality planning activities in Hood and Hunt counties to add approximately \$281,250 in the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 biennium for a new total of approximately \$562,500 be and is hereby approved.

Section 2. NCTCOG is authorized to receive approximately \$281,250 more from TCEQ to continue air quality planning activities.

Section 3. These funds will be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budget(s) and Unified Planning Work Program.

Section 4. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 18

Exhibit: 2024-03-18-TR

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement with the University of Texas at Arlington to Support Department of Defense Agile Curriculum Program

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has been awarded funding by the US Department of Defense (DOD) Industry Resiliency Program for the creation of an Agile Curriculum Development Program for Aerospace and Defense Manufacturing. This initiative will partner closely with defense manufacturers, universities, and community colleges in North Texas to deliver additional well-prepared, highly qualified job applicants that can immediately respond to the needs of the rapidly growing and evolving Aerospace and Defense Manufacturing industries.

The emphasis of the Agile Curriculum Development Program through its first 18 months has been focused on advancing cybersecurity training as part of classes being offered by the University of Texas Graduate School of Computer Science and Engineering. As part of the Agile Curriculum Program, an initial assessment was undertaken regarding the skill sets most needed by the defense industries for both current employees and new hires. This assessment revealed that the fields of cybersecurity and data assurance ranked as the greatest in need by the defense industry. This level of training at the academic level is largely limited to curriculums being offered at University Engineering Schools at the graduate level.

On December 1, 2022, the Executive Board approved agreements with the University of Texas at Arlington, Tarrant County College, and Dallas College. Since execution of agreements, the need to reallocate funding between the recipients has been identified. NCTCOG will no longer carry out an agreement with Tarrant County College and \$100,000 in funding will be reallocated and added to the University of Texas at Arlington's original \$300,000 agreement for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$400,000. Funding will remain with Dallas College to utilize the Dallas College Compression Planning Program identified as a key element of in the Agile Curriculum initiative in bringing industries and academic institutions together in curriculum development.

A draft resolution authorizing an amended agreement with the University of Texas at Arlington is attached for Executive Board consideration. Staff will provide a brief presentation on this item and will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

AL:tmb
Attachment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON TO SUPPORT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AGILE CURRICULUM PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be a forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 5.09 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes the planning and implementation of programs to support regional military and community coordination; and,

WHEREAS, the US Department of Defense Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation has provided funding to NCTCOG to develop an Agile Curriculum Program for Aerospace and Defense Manufacturing as part of the Industry Resiliency Program; and,

WHEREAS, In December 2022, the Executive Board authorized NCTCOG to enter into agreements with the University of Texas at Arlington, Tarrant County College, and Dallas College to support the Agile Curriculum Development Program by providing instructors and developing courses that respond to Aerospace and Defense Manufacturers' needs; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County College will no longer carry out an agreement with NCTCOG and \$100,000 in Department of Defense funding needs to be reallocated; and

WHEREAS, the University of Texas at Arlington has been identified to receive the \$100,000 in Department of Defense funding; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, provides authority for NCTCOG to amend the agreement with the University of Texas at Arlington for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. An amendment to the agreement between NCTCOG and the University of Texas at Arlington to add an additional \$100,000 to the original not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000 for a new total agreement not-to-exceed of \$400,000 to support the Department of Defense Agile Curriculum Program be and is hereby approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments to carry out the initiatives described herein.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Mayor, City of Corinth

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on March 28, 2024.

Victoria Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson



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Item 19

Exhibit: 2024-03-19-EDO

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Prit Patel
Senior Economic Development Manager

Item Title: Appointments to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

The North Central Texas Economic Development District (NCTEDD) Board functions as an advisory board to the North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) Executive Board. The NCTEDD Board guides the work of the region's Economic Development District, which is managed and staffed by NCTCOG. The region was designated as a District by the U. S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) in December 2016.

The NCTCOG's Executive Board is being asked to make eight (8) appointments for vacant seats on the NCTEDD Board. These appointments provide an opportunity to strengthen and diversify economic development representation on the NCTEDD Board.

Three-Year Term Appointment Request	Board Category
Gaby Castillo , Business Development Coordinator, City of Dallas	>500,000 Population
Gus Garcia , Economic Development Director, City of Arlington	250,000 - 500,000 Population
Richard Perez , Senior Research and Data Manager, Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas	Workforce Solutions
Phedra Redifer , Executive Director, Workforce Solutions North Central Texas	Workforce Solutions
Lisa Harrison , Administrator Coach, Education Service Center 11 (College, Career, and Military Readiness, and Career and Technical Education)	Education Sector
Dr. Rupa Iyer , Vice President of Research Innovation & Economic Development, Tarleton State University	Education Sector
Taylor Shead , Chief Executive Officer, STEMuli Studios	Principal Economic Interests
Mary Sarver , Mayor Pro Tem, City of Grandview	Johnson County

This District Board is organized in accordance with Federal Regulations, and its membership includes officials and/or employees of general-purpose local governments, educational institutions, private sector representatives, and other economic development stakeholders who must be residents of and/or work in State Planning Region 4 – the North Central Texas Region

As set forth in the bylaws of the District, approved by the NCTCOG Executive Board, the NCTCOG Executive Board will appoint up to 53 NCTEDD Board members, including:

- representatives from each of the 16 counties;
- 20 representatives from cities;
- 3 representatives from Workforce Solutions;
- 5 representatives from the Educational Sector; and

- 9 representatives from Principal Economic Interests (Chambers of Commerce, Economic Development Corporations, Labor Groups, Private Sector, and any other Principal Economic Interests organizations)

Each Board member serves a term of three years and may not serve more than three consecutive three-year terms, so long as they continue to meet qualifications for the category they represent.

I will be available at the Board meeting to answer questions, or Board members can contact me at 817-704-5666.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD (NCTEDD)

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF BOARD

The North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (EDD Board) is the primary policy advisory board to the NCTCOG Executive Board in fulfilling the responsibilities as the North Central Texas' Regional Economic Development District (the District) in state planning Region IV (NCTCOG's 16-county area). The EDD Board is responsible to ensure:

- a) the performance of any and all duties imposed on them collectively or individually by law, or by the District Bylaws;
- b) the development of plans, as well as an oversight and evaluation system for all Economic Development District programs;
- c) the attainment of effective outcomes consistent with Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) goals, objectives and performance standards approved by EDA;
- d) the effective administration of the EDA EDD required programs; and
- e) meetings take place at such times and places as required by the District Bylaws

NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Up to 53 Member

APPOINTING AUTHORITY: NCTCOG Executive Board

TERMS OF OFFICE: Three-year terms

Each EDD Board member shall serve terms of three years. Upon expiration of their term, each member shall hold his/her term until they are reappointed or replaced by the NCTCOG Executive Board as established in the District Bylaws. EDD Board members may not serve more than three consecutive three-year terms, and only so long as they continue to meet qualifications for the category they represent.

STANDARD MEETING TIME, DATE, LOCATION: Quarterly (Meetings can be called more or less frequently as needed) 10:00 A.M. at NCTCOG/virtual.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

EDD Board membership shall include officials and/or employees of general-purpose local governments, educational institutions and private sector representatives, and they must be residents of and/or work in State Planning Region 4 – the North Central Texas 16-County Region.

**North Central Texas Council of Government's
NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

OFFICERS	NAME AND ORGANIZATION
Chair	Vacant
Vice Chair	Fred Schmidt, Economic Development Professional in Higher Education
Secretary-Treasurer	Kassandra Carroll, CECD, Economic Development Coordinator, City of Waxahachie

COUNTIES - 16 COUNTIES (1 SEAT EACH COUNTY)

1. **COLLIN:** Honorable Ron Simmons, Chairman of the Board for the Texas Mutual Insurance Company
2. **DALLAS:** Luis Tamayo, Director of Economic Development, Dallas County
3. **ELLIS:** Jim Wehmeier, Director of Economic Development, City of Ennis
4. **ERATH:** Jeff Sandford, Executive Director, Stephenville Economic Development Authority
5. **NAVARRO:** John Boswell, Economic Development Director, Navarro County and City of Corsicana
6. **ROCKWALL:** Phil Wagner, President, Rockwall Economic Development Corporation
7. **TARRANT:** Maegan South, Economic Development Manager, Tarrant County
8. **WISE:** J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County
9. **DENTON:** VACANT
10. **HOOD:** VACANT
11. **HUNT:** VACANT
12. **JOHNSON:** VACANT
13. **KAUFMAN:** VACANT
14. **PALO PINTO:** VACANT
15. **PARKER:** VACANT
16. **SOMERVELL:** VACANT

CITIES - TOTAL OF 22 SEATS – SIX POPULATION CATEGORIES

>500,000 (2 SEATS) 2 cities, includes Dallas, Fort Worth

17. Robert Sturns, Economic Development Director, City of Fort Worth
18. VACANT

BETWEEN 250,000 - 500,000 (2 SEATS) 3 cities, includes Arlington, Irving, Plano

19. Bryan Haywood, Economic Development Project Manager, City of Irving
20. VACANT

BETWEEN 100,000 - 250,000 (2 SEATS) 10 cities, includes Carrollton, Denton, Frisco, Grand Prairie, McKinney, Mesquite, Garland, Lewisville, Richardson, Allen

21. Erica Sullivan, Economic Development Program Administrator, City of Denton
22. VACANT

BETWEEN 30,000 - 100,000 (6 SEATS) 28 cities, includes Euless, Flower Mound, Mansfield, North Richland Hills, Rowlett, Bedford, Burleson, Cedar Hill, Cleburne, Coppell, DeSoto, Duncanville, Farmers Branch, Grapevine, Greenville, Haltom City, Hurst, Keller, Lancaster, Little Elm, Midlothian, Rockwall, Southlake, The Colony, Waxahachie, Weatherford, Wylie, Prosper

23. Craig Hulse, Director of Economic Development, City of North Richland Hills
24. Mary Ann Moon, Executive Director of Prosper Economic Development Corporation
25. Cassandra Carroll, CECD, Economic Development Coordinator, City of Waxahachie
26. Jennette Espinosa, Executive Director, Little Elm Economic Development Cooperation
27. Shane Shepard, Economic Development Director, City of Lancaster
28. Chris Fuller, Deputy City Manager, City of Cleburne

<30,000 (8 SEATS) 122 cities

Collin County (Anna, Blue Ridge, Celina, Fairview, Josephine, Lavon, Lowry Crossing, Lucas, Melissa, Murphy, Nevada, Parker, Princeton, Sachse, St. Paul)

Dallas County (Addison, Balch Springs, Cockrell Hill, Glenn Heights, Highland Park, Hutchins, Seagoville, Sunnyvale, University Park Wilmer)

Denton County (Argyle, Aubrey, Bartonville, Copper Canyon, Corinth, Cross Roads, Double Oak, Hickory Creek, Highland Village, Justin, Krugerville, Krum, Lake Dallas, Northlake, Oak Point, Pilot Point, Ponder, Providence, Roanoke, Sanger, Shady Shores, Trophy Club)

Ellis County (Ennis, Ferris, Italy, Oak Leaf, Ovilla, Palmer, Red Oak)

Erath County (Dublin, Stephenville)

Hood County (Cresson, DeCordova, Granbury)

Hunt County (Caddo Mills, Commerce, Quinlan, West Tawakoni, Wolfe City)

Johnson County (Alvarado, Godley, Grandview, Joshua, Keene, Rio Vista, Venus)

Kaufman County (Combine, Crandall, Forney, Kaufman, Kemp, Maybank, Talty, Terrell)

Navarro County (Corsicana, Kerns, Rice)

Palo Pinto County (Mineral Wells)

Parker County (Aledo, Annetta, Hudson Oaks, Reno, Springtown, Willow Park)

Rockwall County (Fate, Heath, McLendon-Chisolm, Royse City)

Somervell County (Glen Rose)

Tarrant County (Azle, Benbrook, Blue Mound, Colleyville, Crowley, Dalworthington Gardens, Edgecliff Village, Everman, Forest Hill, Haslet, Kennedale, Lake Worth, Lakeside, Pantego, Pelican Bay, Richland Hills, River Oaks, Sansom Park, Watauga, Westlake, Westworth Village, White Settlement)

Wise County (Alvord, Aurora, Boyd, Bridgeport, Chico, Decatur, New Fairview, Newark, Rhome, Runaway Bay)

29. Chris Dyser, Community Development Director, City of Balch Springs
30. Alexis Jackson, Economic Development Director, City of Celina
31. John M. Smith, Town Administrator, Town of Hickory Creek
32. Lynn Spencer, Director of Economic Development, Forney Economic Development Corporation
33. Chris Coffman, City Manager, City of Granbury
34. Lancine Bentley, Economic Development and Grants Analyst, Town of Northlake
35. VACANT
36. VACANT

WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (3 SEATS) *includes 1 seat for each of the three regional Workforce Solutions*

37. Judy McDonald, Executive Director, Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County
38. VACANT – Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas
39. VACANT - Workforce Solutions North Central Texas

EDUCATION SECTOR (5 SEATS) *includes Community Colleges, 4-Year Universities, Independent School Districts, Education Service Centers, Trade Schools, and other Educational Organizations*

40. Fred Schmidt, Director of Corporate Relations, University of Texas at Arlington
41. Ben Magill, Associate Vice Chancellor of Economic Opportunity, Dallas College
42. Dr. Suku Nair, Vice Provost for Research and Chief Innovation Officer, Southern Methodist University
43. VACANT
44. VACANT

PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC INTERESTS (7 SEATS) *includes staff from Chambers of Commerce, Economic Development Corporations, Labor Groups, Private Sector, and any other Principal Economic Interests organizations.*

45. Janie Havel, Economic Development and Tourism, Office of the Governor
46. Kevin Shatley, Director of Economic Development, Dallas Regional Chamber
47. Nika Reinecke, Principal at Envision Planning Group LLC
48. Leah Clark, Executive Director, Bridgeport Economic Development Corporation
49. Mickey Hillock, President, Hillock Foods, Inc.
50. Pamela Mundo, Founder and President of Mundo and Associates Consulting Firm
51. VACANT
52. VACANT
53. VACANT



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Item 20

Exhibit: 2024-03-20-EDO

Meeting Date: March 28, 2024

Submitted By: Bill Heidemann, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item Title: Announcement of the President's 2024 Executive Board Nominating Committee

Officers and Directors for NCTCOG's 2024-2025 Executive Board will be elected at the Annual General Assembly Meeting on Friday, June 14, 2024. The meeting will be held in person at the Hurst Conference Center.

It has been customary for the current President to serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee, along with several of NCTCOG's past presidents. In order to qualify prospective nominees and prepare a slate to be submitted to the General Assembly, President Heidemann will appoint the attached Nominating Committee.

ME:jw

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT'S 2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD NOMINATING COMMITTEE

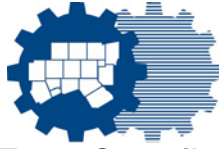
**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
2024 Executive Board Nominating Committee**

Bill Heidemann – President 2023-24; bill.heidemann@cityofcorinth.com
Andrew Piel – President 2022-23; andrew.piel@arlingtontx.gov
David Sweet – President 2021-22; judgedsweet@gmail.com
Ray Smith – President 2020-21; ray_smith@prospertx.gov
J. D. Clark – President 2019-20; jd.clark@co.wise.tx.us
Kevin Strength – President 2018-19; kstrength@waxahachiechamber.com
Tom Lombard – President 2017-18; lombardt@sbcglobal.net
Lissa Smith – President 2016-17; Lissasmith4@gmail.com
Kathryn Wilemon, President 2014-15; kawilemon@aol.com
Steve Terrell, President 2013-14; stevete@swbell.net
Bobbie Mitchell; President 2012-13; Bobbie.Mitchell@dentoncounty.gov
Glen Whitley, President 2010-11; glen.whitley@outlook.com
Bobby Waddle, President 2009-10; bgwaddle@flash.net
Chad Adams, President, 2007-08; chad@oakhullinvestments.com
T. Oscar Trevino, Jr., President 2006-07; [nrhscar@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nrhoscar@sbcglobal.net)
Mary Poss, President 2000-01; mary@dallastex.com
Gary A. Slagel, President 1994-95; gary.slagel@CapitalSoft.com
Jim Alexander, President 1991-92; jralexander1@verizon.net

NCTCOG EXECUTIVE BOARD ATTENDANCE

June 2023 - May 2024

Name	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	TOTAL
Bill Heidemann President	P	P	P	P	P	P	NM	P	P				8
Chris Hill Vice President	P	A	P	P	P	A	NM	P	P				6
Victoria Johnson Secretary/Treasurer	P	P	P	P	P	P	NM	P	P				8
Andrew Piel Past President	P	A	P	A	P	P	NM	V	P				6
J.D. Clark	V	P	V	A	P	A	NM	A	P				5
Jorja Clemson	P	P	P	P	A	P	NM	P	P				7
Carlos Flores	P	A	A	P	A	A	NM	P	P				4
Bowie Hogg		P	A	A	P	P	NM	P	A				4
Clay Jenkins	V	P	V	A	P	P	NM	A	A				5
Jennifer Justice		P	P	A	P	V	NM	P	P				6
Todd Little	P	P	A	P	P	P	NM	P	P				7
Linda Martin	P	P	P	P	P	A	NM	P	P				7
Cara Mendelsohn	P	P	P	P	P	P	NM	P	A				7
Bobbie Mitchell	P	P	P	P	P	A	NM	P	P				7
Tim O'Hare	P	A	P	P	P	A	NM	P	P				6
Kameron Raburn		P	P	P	P	P	NM	P	P				7
Nick Stanley		P	A	V	A	V	NM	P	A				4
Victoria Neave Criado - Ex Officio, Non-Voting Member	V	P	P	P	A	A	NM	V	V				6
TOTAL PRESENT	14	14	14	13	14	11	0	16	14	0	0	0	110
Attendance Code:	P=Present A=Absent V=Virtual NM=No meeting *Check previous the posted attendance sheet for that month												



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2024 NCTCOG Executive Board Calendar

Regular Meetings start at **12:45 pm** unless otherwise posted
 Meeting Location: CenterPoint II, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas

April 25, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
May 23, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
June 14, 2024	<i>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</i>
June 27, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
July 25, 2024	Executive Board Meeting & NCTCOG Foundation Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
August 22, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
September 26, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
October 24, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
November 21, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
December 19, 2024	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices