

North Central Texas Council of Governments

TO: NCTCOG Executive Board **DATE:** February 20, 2025
FROM: Mike Eastland
Executive Director
SUBJECT: Executive Board Meeting

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

DATE: February 27, 2025

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

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

TIME: 11:15 a.m. – Jennifer Justice, Chair; David Bristol, T.J. Gilmore, Rick Horne, Cara Mendelsohn, Tim O'Hare, Kameron Raburn, Nick Stanley
(*Six Flags Conference Room*)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TIME: 12:00 noon – Lunch
1:00 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 Hill 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

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025
Submitted By: Randy Richardson
Director of Administration
Item Title: Audit Committee Memo

Attached to the Executive Board Item #11 are the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and single audit reports for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024.

Mr. Todd Pruitt, CPA, Partner, Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP, will be presenting to the Committee the final reports along with any audit findings and/or Management Letter Comments. At this time, staff is not aware of, nor expects, any findings or Management Letter comments to be presented. The Committee will have the opportunity to ask questions of Mr. Pruitt or staff during the presentation as well as the opportunity to address the auditors independent of staffs' presence.

I will be available to answer any questions during the meeting.

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Attachment

North Central Texas Council of Governments

EXECUTIVE BOARD AGENDA

February 27, 2025 | 1:00 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. _____ Chris Hill
2. _____ Victoria Johnson
3. _____ Jennifer Justice
4. _____ Bill Heidemann
5. _____ David Bristol
6. _____ Carlos Flores
7. _____ T.J. Gilmore
8. _____ Bowie Hogg
9. _____ Rick Horne

Staff

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

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING: 11:15 am

The Audit Committee will meet to discuss the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2024

REGULAR SESSION: 1:00 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.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Motion/Second Item # Name of Item

_____/_____ **1 Approval of Minutes**

_____/_____ **2 Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Providers of Non-Emergency Transportation Services - Doni Green**

_____/_____ **3 Resolution Authorizing the Receipt of Additional FY2020 and FY2023 Federal Transit Administration Formula Funds - Michael Morris**

_____/_____ **4 Resolution Authorizing Amendment to Contract with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc. for Purchase of Transit Vehicles for Small Transit Providers - Michael Morris**

- ___/___ 5 Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Backstop Funding for Small Transit Operators - Michael Morris
- ___/___ 6 Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Everman for a Traffic Signal Project - Michael Morris
- ___/___ 7 Resolution Amending Contract Authorization with The Olson Group Ltd for Exercise Design Consulting Services - Maribel Martinez
- ___/___ 8 Resolution Authorizing Approval of the 2025 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Project's Priority Listing - Maribel Martinez
- ___/___ 9 Appointments to the Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC) - Maribel Martinez
- ___/___ 10 Appointments to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD) - Prit Patel

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

- ___/___ 11 Resolution to Accept and Acknowledge Receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2024 - Randy Richardson
- ___/___ 12 Resolution Endorsing Submittal of Fiscal Year 2025 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development Discretionary Grant Program Applications to the United States Department of Transportation - Michael Morris
- ___/___ 13 Resolution Authorizing Contract with The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute to Develop and Implement a Program to Reduce Youth Fatalities Due to Motor Vehicle Crashes - Michael Morris
- 14 Status Report on Metropolitan Planning Organization Revolver Funds and Regional Transportation Council Local Pool - Michael Morris
- 15 Report on progress in the search being conducted by SGR to secure an Executive Director for NCTCOG - Judge O'Hare

MISCELLANEOUS:

- 16 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 — January 23, 2025

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 Hill, 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 Hill called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 1:00 pm on January 23, 2025. Mike Eastland took attendance and determined that a quorum was physically present.

Members of the Board Present:

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| 1. Chris Hill | 9. Brandon J. Huckabee |
| 2. Victoria Johnson | 10. Clay Jenkins |
| 3. Jennifer Justice | 11. Todd Little |
| 4. Bill Heidemann | 12. Cara Mendelsohn |
| 5. David Bristol (V) | 13. Bobbie Mitchell |
| 6. Carlos Flores (V) | 14. Tim O'Hare |
| 7. T.J. Gilmore | 15. Kameron Raburn |
| 8. Rick Horne | 16. Nick Stanley |

Members of the Board Absent:

1. Bowie Hogg
2. Victoria Neave Criado

Members of the Staff Present:

Mike Eastland, Monte Mercer, Susan Alvarez, Tim Barbee, Doni Green, Michael Morris, Maribel Martinez, Phedra Redifer, Randy Richardson, Christy Williams, Jerri Watson, Ken Kirkpatrick, James Powell, Michael Bort, Tom McLain, Jon Blackman, Carmen Morones, Lisa Sack, April Leger, Kenny Bergstrom, Jessie Shadowens-James, Kelly Schmidt, Prit Patel

Visitors Present:

Leo A. Wrobel, (Former Mayor of Ovilla) Failsafe; Sharon Wrobel | Failsafe; Rob Barthen | GrantWorks; Marisela Aramino and Candace Sublett | Tarrant County Democratic Party

REGULAR SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Items 1 - 22 were posted on the agenda as Consent Items.

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| Item | 1 | Approval of Minutes - November 21, 2024 Meeting |
| Item | 2 | Approval of Minutes - December 23, 2024 Meeting |

- Item 3 **Resolution to Accept and Approve the Quarterly Investment Report**
Board acceptance and approval was requested for the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended December 31, 2024. The report is required by the Investment Policy and Public Funds Investment Act and shows an average rate of return, cumulative transactions and beginning and ending balances for the quarter.

- Item 4 **Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Biosolid Recycling and Related Treatment Plant Services**
Item 4 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 5 **Resolution Authorizing Contract for Street Pavement Crack Sealing Services**
Item 5 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 6 **Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Water Storage Tank Inspection & Cleaning Services**
Item 6 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 7 **Resolution Authorizing Contract for Concrete Pavement Grinding Services**
Item 7 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 8 **Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Gunshot Detection Systems**
Item 8 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 9 **Resolution Authorizing Contract for Automatic Gate Maintenance & Repair Services**
Item 9 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 10 **Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Library Books & Print Periodicals**
Item 10 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Hill for Individual Consideration.

- Item 11 **Resolution Authorizing Agreements for the Receipt of Funds for Planning and Implementation Programs from the Texas Department of Transportation**
Board authorization was requested approving receipt of funding from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for four additional FY2025 projects totaling approximately \$3,800,000 (\$2,000,000 Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funds + \$1,800,000 in Regional Toll Revenue funds + 400,000 in RTC Transportation Development Credits in lieu of cash match).

The table below identifies the individual funding agreements.

Exhibit: 2025-01-11-TR
Attachment 1

ATTACHMENT 1

Program Title (Non-Construction Projects)	RTC Approval Date	Funding Source	Total Funding Amount (TDCs not included in total)	Federal/ Regional	Match Amount			Fiscal Year(s) [*]	Program Status
					State	Local	TDC [*]		
Planning Study to Support Regional School Transportation Safety and Crossing Guard Establishment	4/11/2024	RTR	\$ 1,250,000	\$ 1,250,000	\$0	\$0	0	2025	New
Regional Data Hub	12/12/2024	RTR	\$ 550,000	\$ 550,000	\$0	\$0	0	2025-2026	Ongoing
Staging of Tow Truck Operators-Limited Access Facilities in Dallas District	12/12/2024	STBG	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$0	\$0	160,000	2025-2026	Ongoing
System Manager Support Services	12/12/2024	STBG	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$0	\$0	240,000	2025-2026	Ongoing
			\$3,800,000	\$ 3,800,000	\$0	\$0	400,000		

* 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.

- Item 12** **Resolution Authorizing Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for Roadway Safety Audits and Safe Routes to School Plans**
 Board authorization was requested to enter a contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to conduct Road Safety Audits (RSAs) and Safe Routes to School Plans for select high-injury roadway corridors in the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan region (Collin, Dallas, Denton, and Tarrant Counties). This \$4,000,000 supplemental planning effort is funded through a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Planning Grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), as well as Regional Toll Revenue. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. has committed to meeting a minimum 32.0% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal for this study, which matches the DBE goal identified for this type of procurement.
- Item 13** **Resolution Authorizing Amendment to Contract with Media Valet, Inc. to Provide a Digital Asset Management System**
 Board authorization was requested to amend the current contract with MediaValet, Inc. The amendment would add an additional \$15,184 to the original \$113,604 contract, for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$128,788. This will fund a digital asset management system to streamline the storage, retrieval, and use of digital images and videos among Transportation's department staff. The system replaces and supplements the network storage previously used for these assets. It also allows for direct importing into Adobe and Microsoft applications, making assets easier to manage with features like auto tagging. This contract extension of approximately six months will allow the department to continue using the system until a new procurement can be conducted.
- Item 14** **Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Funds as a Temporary Backstop to Advance Mobility Enhancements in the Southern Dallas Inland Port**
 Item 14 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Councilmember Mendelsohn for Individual Consideration.
- Item 15** **Resolution Authorizing Agreement with City of River Oaks for Advance Funding of Meandering Road Right of Way Acquisition**
 Board authorization was requested to enter into an agreement, not to exceed \$950,000, with the City of River Oaks to assist with advance right-of-way acquisition for the reconstruction of Meandering Road. This project, which runs from Roberts Cut-Off in River Oaks to LT JG Barnett Road in Fort Worth, was previously funded by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) in 2015 and has undergone extensive planning, design, and public involvement to ensure compatibility with the impacted neighborhoods. While the project budget includes funding for right-of-way, the City of River Oaks is responsible for acquiring the land and covering the initial costs until federal reimbursement is received, which can take 90-120 days. To ease the financial burden on the city, the RTC has approved \$950,000 in local funds to be provided to River Oaks for this purpose. Once the federal reimbursement is received, River Oaks will return the RTC local funds to the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- Item 16** **Resolution Authorizing Granbury Workforce Center Lease Extension**
 Board authorization was requested to extend the Workforce Center Lease located at 1030 Highway 377, Suite 202 in Granbury, Texas. The center occupies 4,095 square feet of office space at a rate of \$12.50 per square foot (excluding insurance, taxes, utilities, janitorial, and common area maintenance). The lease for this space is set to expire on November 30, 2025. The center's landlord, Memorial Mini Storage, has agreed to a 2-year lease extension at an average rate not exceeding \$14.50 per square foot. This extended lease will provide flexibility to evaluate the current service delivery model and potentially introduce a new approach to meet evolving customer needs across the 14-County region. The proposed \$14.50 rate is within the market range for the local area.

Item 17 **Resolution Authorizing Plano Workforce Center Lease Extension**
Board authorization was requested to extend the lease on the workforce center located at 1101 Resource Drive, Suite 100, in Plano, Texas. The center occupies 13,194 square feet of office space at a price of \$9.38 per square foot, excluding insurance, taxes, utilities, janitorial, and common area maintenance. The current five-year lease is set to expire on July 31, 2025. Staff recommended a three-year extension to provide flexibility for staff to develop a strategic and comprehensive approach to the location and number of stand-alone workforce centers across the 14-county region. A shorter extension will also allow staff to introduce a new service delivery model if the current Plano Center model does not meet the evolving needs of Workforce Solutions customers. The landlords, Blasingame Hill Country, LLC, 1100 Jupiter, LTD, and Harkfamptrns, LLC, have agreed to a three-year lease extension at an average rate not to exceed \$10.19 per square foot, excluding insurance, taxes, utilities, janitorial, and common area maintenance. A market survey confirmed this proposed rate is within the going price for comparable properties in the area.

Item 18 **This item was withdrawn.**

Item 19 **Resolution Adopting FY 2026 Criminal Justice Policies and Procedures**
Board approval was requested to approve the FY 2026 Policies and Procedures recommended by the Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee (CJPDC). As part of the Statement of Work (SOW), NCTCOG is responsible for reviewing and scoring criminal justice grant applications from local agencies and is required to adopt Policies and Procedures that guide the application process and define committee responsibilities. The most significant changes include removing the grant adjustment notification policy (§4.5.6.3.) and revising committee make-up requirements to align with SOW requirements (§7.1.1.). Other revisions include updates to grant period timeframes and date revisions.

~~4.5.6.3 Grant Adjustment Policy: An authorized person for a funded project will notify NCTCOG in writing prior to submitting a grant adjustment request through OOG's eGrants system. Should NCTCOG staff determine the adjustment results in a deviation from the scope of services presented in the original application, the grant adjustment request may be forwarded to CJPDC for review. If CJPDC determines the change in budget or scope of the funded project impacts how the project would have been prioritized, the prioritization may be withdrawn, and future recommendations may be affected.~~

7.1.1 The representation must include ~~citizens or parents, substance abuse prevention, education, juvenile justice, law enforcement, mental health, non-profit organizations, municipalities, counties,~~ prosecution or courts, and victim services, **with at least one victim services member from a non-governmental agency. Each individual member may either represent one of the required disciplines or be classified as an "other" discipline.** No single ~~group~~ **discipline, including the "other" category,** may constitute more than one-third (1/3) of the Committee.

Item 20

Appointments to the Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee

Board approval was requested to appoint the following members to the Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee (CJPDC):

Officers				
Name		Title	Agency	Committee Status / County
Mr. Tony	Simmons	Retired	N/A	Chair – Denton County
Ms. Felicia	Oliphant	First Assistant District Attorney	Rockwall County District Attorney's Office	Vice Chair – Rockwall County

Proposed New Members:				
Name		Title	Agency	Committee Status / County
Ms. Lindy	Beaty	County and District Attorney	Ellis County	Proposed New Member – Ellis County (Nominated by County Judge Todd Little)
Dr. Jaya	Davis	Professor	UTA Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice	Proposed New Member – Tarrant County (Nominated by Deborah Caddy – The Women's Center / Melissa Parsons – UTA School of Social Work)
Ms. Danielle	Dulaney	Municipal Court Judge	City of Arlington	Proposed New Member – Tarrant County (Self-nominated)
Ms. Ronna	Huckaby	Chief of Mission	SafeHaven of Tarrant County	Proposed New Member – Tarrant County (Self-nominated)
Ms. Lauren	Lawrence	Assistant Criminal District Attorney	Tarrant County District Attorney's Office*	Proposed New Rep for Tarrant County District Attorney's Office
Mr. Arthur	McKnight Jr.	Division Manager of Grant Writing and Program Evaluation	Dallas County CSCD*	Proposed New Rep for Dallas County CSCD
Dr. Bill	Parker	Trustee, Place 7	Allen ISD	Proposed New Member – Collin County (Self-nominated)
Mr. Joseph	Russell	Judge, County Court at Law	Kaufman County	Proposed New Member – Kaufman County (Nominated by Jennifer Russell – Kaufman County Mental Health Courts Coordinator)
Mr. Noah	Simon	City Manager	City of Aledo	Proposed New Member – Parker County (Nominated by Mayor Nick Stanley – City of Aledo)
Mr. James	Songer**	Lieutenant	Dallas Police Department*	Proposed New Rep for Dallas Police Department
**Alternate for Lt. Songer, Lt. Jonathan Blanchard, Dallas PD				
Ms. Tiffany	Tate	CEO	The Family Place	Proposed New Member – Dallas County (Nominated by Jan Langbein – Genesis Women's Shelter & Support)

*Per CJPDC policies, these agencies shall have a permanent representative.

Reappointments (3-year term)				
Name		Title	Agency	County
Ms. Sharon	Bradley	Director of Family and Social Services	Plano ISD	Collin County
Mr. Earnest	Jenkins Jr.	Lieutenant	University of North Texas at Dallas Police Department	Dallas County
Dr. Jill	Johansson-Love	Department Chair of Clinical Psychology Program	The Chicago School of Professional Psychology – Dallas Campus	Dallas County
Ms. Kelly	Pickens	Councilmember	City of Corinth	Denton County
Mr. Stephen	Sanders	Lieutenant	Waxahachie Police Department	Ellis County
Mr. David	Williams***	Lieutenant	Ennis Police Department	Ellis County

***Lt. Williams was with DeSoto PD (Dallas County) when appointed in 2022; changed employment to Ellis County agency in 2022. 2025 will begin second three-year term.

Item 21

Appointment to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

Item 21 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Little for Individual Consideration.

Item 22 Appointments to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC) and Election of Officers

Board approval was requested to appoint the following individuals and officers to serve on the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC). The RAAC assists the Executive Board in developing and implementing the area agency on aging plan for residents aged 60 and over in the 14 counties surrounding Dallas and Tarrant Counties.

- Ellis County: Dani Muckleroy
- Hunt County: Berniece Reeves-Brown (new appointee)
- Johnson County: Dale Hannah
- Navarro County: Lynda Sloan
- Parker County: Kirsti Smith (new appointee) and Linda Authier (new appointee)
- Somervell County: Bob Miller and Pat Bruce (new appointee)
- Wise County: Amy Pegues
- President: Karen Kiser of Rockwall County
- Vice-President: Lynda Sloan of Navarro County
- Secretary: Dani Muckelroy of Ellis County

Upon a Motion by Mayor Heidemann (seconded by Judge Huckabee), the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda Items as posted with the exception of Items 4-10, 14, and 21.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

Judge Hill had a question about how representatives from participating entities were involved in the scoring process for Items 4-10.

Jon Blackman addressed this issue and stated that when researching ideas for contracts, the TXShare Advisory Committee coordinates with directors of purchasing and chief procurement officers from various cities. Depending on the category, the cities may reach deeper into their organizations. Additionally, if organizations bring their own ideas, they are more likely to participate in the scoring process. He gave the example of the city of Southlake directly participating in scoring for their Item #10 for Library Books & Print Periodicals. He further stated that there are a couple reasons for this approach: 1) The cities may not want ownership and administrative burden of procurement management, and 2) if organizations had a poor experience with procurement in the past, broadening the pool of participants allows TXShare to engage more vendors. Judge Little requested a sample copy of the Interlocal Agreement.

Upon a Motion by Judge Hill (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved Items 4-10 as presented.

Item 14 Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Funds as a Temporary Backstop to Advance Mobility Enhancements in the Southern Dallas Inland Port

Item 14 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Councilmember Mendelsohn for Individual Consideration.

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board authorization to use Regional Transportation Council (RTC) local funds as a temporary backstop to advance mobility enhancements in the southern Dallas inland port. He explained that the Board previously approved a contract with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles for eight (8) light-duty electric transit vehicles, not to exceed \$1,100,000. To maintain the negotiated contract prices and align inspections with manufacturing schedules, NCTCOG needed to proceed with these purchases as soon as possible. However, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) had not yet executed the grant agreement for the 2021 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) award. To mitigate risk, NCTCOG staff requested authorization to utilize up to \$1,004,000 in RTC local funds as a temporary backstop. This would support contract obligations for the purchase of electric vehicles and in-plant inspection services, preventing project delays and cost increases. The RTC approved these funds on December 12, 2024.

Ms. Mendelsohn expressed concern that the grant might not be awarded. Mr. Morris acknowledged that this was a concern due to the recent change of administration but that this type of grant was being considered

within the Office of the Secretary (OOS) and that of the head of the FTA. He stated he was not aware of any issues that would prevent this project from moving forward as the Presidential Executive Order did not apply to this project.

Exhibit: 2025-01-14-TR

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

Item 21 Appointment to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

Item 21 was pulled from the Consent Agenda Items by Judge Little for Individual Consideration.

Board authorization was requested to appoint John Knight, Assistant Director of Economic Development, City of Red Oak, to the North Central Texas Economic Development District (NCTEDD) Board. The NCTEDD functions as an advisory board to the NCTCOG and guides the work of the region’s Economic Development District, which is managed and staffed by NCTCOG.

Judge Little stated that he had originally submitted John Knight for the appointment but now wanted to amend the order to place him in a different category. Specifically, Judge Little said he would like to put Mr. Knight in category #53, Principal Economic Interest, instead of the county seat for Ellis County. He indicated he would come back later with a different county representative to fill the vacant Ellis County seat. Motion by Judge Little, seconded by Judge Jenkins.

Mayor Raburn then requested to amend the original motion to include the addition of Julie Pierce, President of the Ennis Economic Development Corporation, to fill the vacant seat #34, which is designated for a population under 30,000.

Exhibit: 2025-01-21-EDO

Upon a Motion by Judge Jenkins (seconded by Judge Little), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the appointments as amended.

Item 23 Resolution Endorsing Submittal of Fiscal Year 2024 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program Application to the Federal Railroad

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board endorsement to submit a \$9.6 million application to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) under the Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail (FSP) Program. This application includes the use of \$2.4 million Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) and Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds as the required local match. The non-federal funds would be used as a backstop in lieu of a partnership with Dallas Area Rapid Transit and Trinity Metro for such funds. The funds will facilitate the project’s final design and construction phases estimated at \$310 million. The RTC voted on December 12, 2024, to approve the submittal of this application. If selected, NCTCOG will work with the FRA to efficiently transfer the awarded funds to the region. NCTCOG will oversee all necessary project tasks, coordinating with TRE, Trinity Metro, DART, Amtrak, and the FRA.

Exhibit: 2025-01-23-TR

Councilmember Horne left the meeting.

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

Item 24 Resolution Accepting the Report from Patillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P. for the Transportation Department’s Agreed Upon Procedures

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Board acceptance for the Agreed-Upon Procedures Audit Report communications prepared by Patillo, Brown & Hill, LLP. A review of Transportation Department consultant and subgrantee contracts in excess of \$250k for FY2023 was conducted to determine compliance

with the department's contracting procedures. A total of eight (8) contracts were selected for review that were funded through agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The report indicates there were no exceptions in all seven (7) of the procedural areas for Fiscal Year 2023.

Exhibit: 2025-01-24-TR

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

Item 25 Resolution Authorizing a Contract with L3Harris Technologies, Inc. for Registered Apprenticeship Training Services

Phedra Redifer, Director of Workforce Development, requested Board authorization to enter contractual agreements with L3Harris Technologies, Inc. for registered apprenticeship training services in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Previously, NCTCOG and L3Harris had entered into a contract under the Texas Workforce Commission's Apprenticeship Texas Expansion Grant for pre-apprenticeship training services, which L3Harris successfully completed on May 3, 2024. Now, L3Harris is poised to start their Airframe Mechanic Registered Apprenticeship Program. This will increase awareness and education about the program across the region, promoting sustainable career opportunities in the Aviation Manufacturing industry sector.

Judge Hill inquired whether the \$100,000 would cover tuition, tools, and salaries for a cohort of 8-10 individuals, or if L3Harris would be responsible for those costs. Ms. Redifer clarified that the grant would cover the costs of tuition and tools but not for salaries. She further stated that the persons successfully completing their apprenticeship would become full-time employees of L3Harris.

Exhibit: 2025-01-25-WD

Councilmember Horne returned to the meeting. Mayor Bristol entered the meeting.

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

Item 26 Report on progress in the search being conducted by SGR to secure an Executive Director for NCTCOG

Judge O'Hare provided an update on the search for the Executive Director position. In December, the subcommittee approved SGR Resources as the search firm. SGR had created a brochure that was being distributed through various contacts and networks. The job was officially posted on January 14, 2025, and so far, 39 applicants had applied, 27 of whom were from Texas. Judge O'Hare stated that SGR asked that the information be shared through our networks and asked Mr. Eastland to forward the brochure to NCTCOG distribution links.

The search timeline is as follows:

- The application period will close on February 16th.
- Around February 19th, SGR will meet with the subcommittee to review the applicant pool and provide recommendations for semi-finalists.
- The committee will then select 2-4 semi-finalists for the full board to interview, with the goal of conducting those interviews in late March, if possible.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Item 27 Attendance and Calendar

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

President Hill called the Executive Session to order at 1:41 pm, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.074, to deliberate regarding personnel matters.

President Hill adjourned the Executive Session at 2:47 pm.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:

President Hill reconvened the regular session at 2:50 pm.

Item 28 Possible Action Related to Matters Considered in Executive Session

President Hill announced that no action was taken in Executive Session. Judge Jenkins made a motion (seconded by Mayor Stanley), and unanimous vote of all members present, recommending a 5.33% raise to Mr. Eastland.

President Hill adjourned the meeting at 2:51 pm.

Approved by:

Checked by:

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

Mike Eastland, Executive Director
North Central Texas Council of Governments



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 2

Exhibit: 2025-02-02-AG

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

Submitted By: Doni Green
Director of Aging Programs

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts with Providers of Non-Emergency Transportation Services

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Aging Department administers a nursing home relocation program through which it assists long-term residents of nursing facilities who are funded by Medicaid to return to community living. Under its contracts with three managed care organizations (i.e., Molina Healthcare, United Healthcare of Texas, and Wellpoint), its staff and contract relocation specialists have a scope of work that includes arranging moving services to transport clients and their personal belongings from nursing facilities to their community-based residences.

In January 2025, NCTCOG issued a Request for Proposals for Non-Emergency Transportation Services (RfP No. 2025–033) and received six applications in response. It convened a review committee, consisting of program and fiscal staff, to evaluate proposals and make award recommendations. The review committee recommends that contracts be awarded to Crown Shields Transport, Fort Worth Non-Emergency Transportation, Hilal Non-Emergency Transportation, Non-Emergency Transport, Inc., and the Joshua Agency for an initial term of March 1, 2025 – February 28, 2027, with a three (3) year optional renewal period.

A draft resolution authorizing contracts for non-emergency transportation services, for maximum five (5) year terms and in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$400,000, is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available February 27th should you or the Board have any questions.

Thank you.

DG:ct

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS OF NON-EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION 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, NCTCOG, through its Aging Department, contracts with Molina Healthcare, United Healthcare of Texas, and Wellpoint to help its members in nursing facilities return to community living; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG's nursing home relocation program has a scope of work that includes arranging transportation from clients' nursing facilities to their community-based residences on the date of relocation; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG recently engaged in competitive procurement for Non-Emergency Transportation services and received six proposals in response; and,

WHEREAS, following evaluation, it is recommended that contracts be awarded to Crown Shields Transport, Fort Worth Non-Emergency Transportation, Hilal Non-Emergency Transportation, Non-Emergency Transport, Inc., and the Joshua Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Crown Shields Transport, Fort Worth Non-Emergency Transportation, Hilal Non-Emergency Transportation, Non-Emergency Transport, Inc., and the Joshua Agency for non-emergency transportation services, for maximum five (5) year terms and in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$400,000, be and are hereby approved.

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

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

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Government
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 3

Exhibit: 2025-02-03-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing the Receipt of Additional FY2020 and FY2023 Federal Transit Administration Formula Funds

This item has proposed two specific actions for the Executive Board related to Federal Transit Administration funding. First, in October 2020, as the designated recipient for FTA formula funds, the Executive Board approved the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to enter into an agreement with FTA for \$3,238,188 for subrecipient and grant oversight activities. Consistent with the Transportation Improvement Program approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), an additional \$1,087,411 of the regional total is available for NCTCOG to pass through for local public transit providers and to use for grant oversight activities.

Second, in November 2022, as the designated recipient for these FTA formula funds, the Executive Board approved NCTCOG to enter into an agreement with FTA for \$1,101,265 for subrecipient and grant oversight activities. Consistent with the Transportation Improvement Program approved by the RTC, an additional \$3,576,818 of the regional total is available for NCTCOG to pass through for local public transit providers.

In order to prevent the lapse of funds in September 2025 for both programs, NCTCOG will amend the existing grant agreements with FTA to obligate the remaining regional balances. Additional FY2020 Urbanized Area Formula Program funds will be used to procure vehicles for transit subrecipients and to support transit planning efforts by NCTCOG staff. Additional FY2023 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program funds will be pass-through awards to support future transit projects in the region administered through NCTCOG's Strategic Partnership program. NCTCOG will seek Executive Board approval to enter into agreements with specific subrecipients once projects have been identified.

A draft resolution authorizing receipt of these program funds is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

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Attachment

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF ADDITIONAL FY2020 AND FY2023
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FORMULA FUNDS**

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, NCTCOG is a Designated Recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Urbanized Area Formula Program, Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program, and Bus and Bus Facilities Program funds in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Denton-Lewisville, and McKinney-Frisco Urbanized Areas, as delegated by the Governor of the State of Texas; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 3.05 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program provides for NCTCOG to serve as the federal grantee for local public transit providers operating service in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington and Denton-Lewisville Urbanized Areas, with responsibilities of administration, grant management and compliance for FTA formula programs; and,

WHEREAS, Subtask 3.05 of the FY 2024 and FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program supports FTA urban funding grant administration and the funding of projects that are responsive to the needs of transit-dependent populations and address gaps in service through the Strategic Partnership Program; and,

WHEREAS, in 2022 and 2023, the RTC approved for inclusion into Transportation Improvement Program/Statewide Transportation Improvement Program additional FY 2020 Urbanized Area Formula Program and additional FY 2023 FTA Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program funds to local public transit providers operating service in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington and Denton-Lewisville Urbanized Areas for implementation of transit projects through coordination with NCTCOG, as the federal grantee; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG is authorized to enter into agreements with subrecipients under the authority of interlocal agreements.

WHEREAS, local public transit providers receiving funding will provide a local match utilizing local funds or Transportation Development Credits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1.** An amended grant agreement with FTA for an additional \$1,087,411 in FY 2020 Urbanized Area Formula Program funds, be and is hereby approved.
- Section 2.** An amended grant agreement with FTA for an additional \$3,576,818 in FY 2023 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program funds, be and is hereby approved.
- Section 3.** NCTCOG is authorized to receive the funds described in Section 1 and Section 2.
- Section 4.** These funds will be incorporated into the applicable fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program as appropriate.
- 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 motion shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 4

Exhibit: 2025-02-04-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Amendment to Contract with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc. for Purchase of Transit Vehicles for Small Transit Providers

The Executive Board previously approved a contract with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc on October 24, 2024, to design, manufacture, and deliver nineteen (19) Americans with Disabilities Act accessible light-duty cutaway transit vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$2,600,000. In January 2025, NCTCOG Staff identified a need to increase the contract budget to cover optional equipment requested by the transit providers to meet the needs of their riders, including items to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, options to meet transit agency safety plans, and contingencies related to vehicle scheduling. The Regional Transportation Council has already approved these transportation funds in the Transportation Improvement Program.

Staff is seeking Executive Board approval to amend the current contract authorization amount with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc. for an additional \$647,000 (\$647,000 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5339 funds and 97,050 in Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of local match) for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$3,247,000. FTA establishes Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goals at the federal level for vehicle manufacturers, which is outside of NCTCOG's DBE program.

A draft resolution authorizing an increase to the current contract authorization amount with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc. for an additional amount of \$647,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$3,247,000 and 487,050 in TDCs is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

HH
Attachment

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH MODEL 1
COMMERCIAL VEHICLES, INC. FOR PURCHASE OF TRANSIT VEHICLES FOR SMALL
TRANSIT 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 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, NCTCOG initiated a transit cooperative vehicle procurement, seeking qualified contractor(s) to design, manufacture, and deliver Americans with Disability Act assessable transit vehicles for small transit providers to support urban transportation services for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) project; and,

WHEREAS, Model 1 Commercial Vehicle, Inc. has been recommended by the Consultant Selection Committee to design, manufacture, and deliver nineteen (19) light-duty cutaway buses; and,

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

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2024, the Executive Board authorized a contract with Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc. to design, manufacture, and deliver nineteen (19) light-duty cutaway buses for an amount not to exceed \$2,600,000; and,

WHEREAS, in January 2025, NCTCOG staff identified a need to increase the contract budget to account for optional vehicle equipment requested by the transit providers to meet the needs of their riders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. An increase in the current contract authorization amount with Model 1 Commercial Vehicle, Inc. for an additional amount of \$647,000, for a new total amount not to exceed of \$3,247,000 be and is hereby approved. All of these dollar values represent 100 percent federal funds and are matched with Regional Transportation Council Transportation Development Credits.

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.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 5

Exhibit: 2025-02-05-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Backstop
Funding for Small Transit Operators

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is working with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to obligate over \$6,800,000 in federal funding for small transit providers who operate through subrecipient agreements with NCTCOG. This funding was programmed by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) but is not available for drawdown because it is not yet included in executed grant agreements. Delays in federal grant agreement execution have led to significant gaps in federal funding for small transit operators, providing critical transit services between urban and rural areas. These small transit providers are making adjustments where possible to maximize other funding sources but may be faced with requirements to reduce urbanized area services if federal funds are not made available quickly.

Staff is requesting authorization to utilize RTC Local funds in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 as a backstop pending execution of federal grant funds to ensure the continuation of urban transit services in the region. The RTC approved these funds on February 13, 2025. It is expected that these funds will be reimbursed since FTA has approved pre-award authority.

A draft resolution authorizing Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 as a temporary backstop to ensure the continuation of urban transit services in the Region is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

HH:BG
Attachment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL LOCAL BACKSTOP FUNDING FOR SMALL TRANSIT OPERATORS

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, NCTCOG is working with the Federal Transit Administration to obligate over \$6,800,000 in federal funding for small transit providers who operate through subrecipient agreements with NCTCOG; and,

WHEREAS, delays in federal grant agreement execution have led to gaps in federal funding for small transit providers that provide critical transit service between urban and rural areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Authorize Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 as a backstop pending execution of federal grant funds to ensure the continuation of urban transit services in the Region. It is anticipated that these funds will be reimbursed since FTA has approved pre-award authority.

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.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 6

Exhibit: 2025-02-06-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Everman for a Traffic Signal Project

In December 2024, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved \$300,000 in RTC Local funds for a new traffic signal in the City of Everman at Race Street and Shelby Road to manage congestion near a school and a new retail food service establishment. This project is an example of how RTC Local funds can be used to implement low-cost projects outside of the longer federal process. RTC Local funds are revenues managed by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) as the RTC's fiduciary agent. Staff will request Executive Board approval of a resolution authorizing NCTCOG to enter into an agreement with Everman or its designee to provide \$300,000 in RTC local funding to construct the signal. No local match is required for this project.

A draft resolution authorizing an agreement with the City of Everman or its designee for a new traffic signal in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 in RTC Local funds is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

CD:jc
Attachment

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF
EVERMAN FOR A TRAFFIC SIGNAL PROJECT**

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, in December 2024, the RTC approved the use of \$300,000 in RTC Local funds for a new traffic signal in the City of Everman at Race Street and Shelby Road; and,

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, provides authority for NCTCOG to enter into agreements with the City of River Oaks for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to enter into an interlocal agreement with the City of Everman or its designee for a new traffic signal at Race Street and Shelby Road in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 RTC Local funds.

Section 2. These funds shall be incorporated into the applicable fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program as appropriate.

Section 3. 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 4. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 7

Exhibit: 2025-02-07-EP

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

Submitted By: Maribel Martinez
Director of Emergency Preparedness

Item Title: Resolution Amending Contract Authorization with The Olson Group Ltd for Exercise Design Consulting Services

On October 24, 2024, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Executive Board approved a contract with The Olson Group, Ltd., in an amount not to exceed \$465,000 to plan and conduct a regional full-scale Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) exercise through funding provided by the homeland security grant program.

The purpose of the contract with The Olson Group, Ltd is to retain the services of a vendor to conduct a regional, multi-discipline, multi-day full-scale exercise on a CCTA scenario designed to test our regional resources and identify any potential gaps and improvement areas. The exercise will include multiple disciplines including emergency management, transportation, fire, law enforcement, health/medical, communications, intelligence, volunteers, and other partners including state and federal entities. The exercise will be a three-day exercise at multiple locations in the region to be conducted October 27-29, 2025.

In order to streamline purchase and delivery of necessary exercise supplies NCTCOG staff is seeking to amend the contract by 25% (\$116,250), for a revised total not to exceed amount of \$581,250. Funding is available through the homeland security grant program.

A draft resolution amending the contract authorization with The Olson Group, Ltd. for Homeland Security Exercise Design Consulting Services, for a revised total not to exceed the amount of \$581,250, is attached for Executive Board consideration.

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

MM: jc

RESOLUTION AMENDING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION WITH THE OLSON GROUP LTD FOR EXERCISE DESIGN 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, the NCTCOG Executive Board authorized a contract in October 2024 to the Olson Group Ltd. to provide exercise design and consulting services; and,

WHEREAS, a contract amendment increasing the total not to exceed amount by 25% (\$116,250) is recommended to streamline the purchase and delivery of necessary exercise supplies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. An amendment to the contract authorization with The Olson Group, Ltd., increasing the contract amount by 25% (\$116,250), for a revised total not to exceed amount of \$581,250, be and is hereby approved.

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

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

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments adopted this resolution on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 8

Exhibit: 2025-02-08-EP

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

Submitted By: Maribel Martinez
Director of Emergency Preparedness

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Approval of the 2025 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Project's Priority Listing

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) will assist the Office of the Governor (OOG), Homeland Security Grants Division in administering the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant for Grant Year (GY) 2025.

The Department of Homeland Security SHSP provides funding for prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery from acts of terrorism and other hazards. The OOG requires COGs to submit a prioritized list of projects for consideration of SHSP funding every year. The planning amount for GY2025 award for the North Central Texas COG is \$1.7 million for regional planning projects.

2025 NCTCOG Recommended SHSP Priority Listing:

1. 2025 SHSP - NCTCOG - Regional Planning; \$458,850 (includes M&A)
2. 2025 SHSP - NCTCOG - FIFA World Cup After Action Review; \$131,250 (includes M&A)
3. 2025 SHSP LE- NCTCOG - FIFA World Cup After Action Review (LE); \$131,250 (including M&A)
4. 2025 SHSP - NCTCOG - Emergency Management and Training & Exercise Program; \$162,250 (includes M&A)
5. 2025 SHSP - NCTCOG - USAR - \$83,653.50 (includes M&A)
6. 2025 SHSP LE - City of Carrollton - Comms Project - Final Round; \$50,000
7. 2025 SHSP LE - City of Waxahachie - Comms Project - Final Round; \$21,000
8. 2025 SHSP LE - City of Irving - SWAT Communications Equipment; \$32,261
9. 2025 SHSP LE - DFW Airport EOC Bomb Unit - EOD Training; \$150,000
10. 2025 SHSP - City of Waxahachie - Variable Message Sign - \$21,000
11. 2025 SHSP - City of Plano - PWERT Variable Message Sign - \$21,000
12. 2025 SHSP - City of Irving - PWERT Variable Message Sign - \$21,000
13. 2025 SHSP - City of Lewisville - PWERT Variable Message Sign - \$21,000
14. 2025 SHSP - City of Plano - PWERT Vehicle Interdiction Trailer - \$61,000
15. 2025 SHSP - City of Irving – PWERT Light Tower - \$19,000
16. 2025 SHSP - City of Waxahachie – PWERT Light Tower - \$19,000
17. 2025 SHSP LE- City of Frisco - SWAT Thermal Project - \$30,000
18. 2025 SHSP LE- City of Mansfield - SWAT Thermal Project - \$30,000
19. 2025 SHSP LE- City of Prosper - SWAT Thermal Project - \$30,000
20. 2025 SHSP LE- City of Waxahachie - SWAT Thermal Project - \$30,000
21. 2025 SHSP LE - City of Grapevine - SWAT Thermal Project - \$30,000
22. 2025 SHSP - NCTCOG – Public Education Program Enhancement - \$52,500 (includes M&A)
23. 2025 SHSP - Regional Community Preparedness Programs - \$17,923.50
24. 2025 SHSP LE - IISC Fusion Center Analyst - \$75,702

SHSP projects are submitted by the 14 approved Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC) regional working groups. Projects are reviewed and prioritized by REPAC. The Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC) made funding recommendations based on the REPAC prioritization and approved the project list on December 5, 2024.

Staff and I will be present at the meeting to summarize and address any questions prior to requesting board approval.

MM: jc

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF THE 2025 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM (SHSP) GRANT PROJECT'S PRIORITY LISTING

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 working with local governments and others in building regional emergency preparedness capacity; and,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of people in North Central Texas is threatened by a variety of natural and technological hazards including severe weather and terrorism; and,

WHEREAS, NCTCOG finds it in the best interest of the North Central Texas Region to facilitate the FY2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP) activities; and,

WHEREAS, the 2025 SHSP project listing has been prioritized by the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC), approved by the Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC), and is recommended for approval by the NCTCOG Executive Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board approves the 2025 SHSP prioritized project listing and authorizes submittal to the Office of the Governor for funding consideration.

Section 2. The Executive Director or designee is designated as the authorized official to apply for, accept, execute, reject, alter, or terminate the grant(s) and any subsequent or related agreements on behalf of and in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

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

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 9

Exhibit: 2025-02-09-EP

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

Submitted By: Maribel Martinez
Director of Emergency Preparedness

Item Title: Appointments to the Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC)

The Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC) serves in an advisory role to the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Executive Board. From a pool of nominations, the Board appoints qualified local elected officials to serve for an approximately two-year term. The EPPC is responsible for providing policy direction and oversight functions pertaining to the development and maintenance of a coordinated and integrated regional approach to emergency management planning and response systems. The Council also makes recommendations as to how the region can most efficiently and effectively utilize state and/or federal grant funding made available for emergency and disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery.

Staff recommend the appointment of the following representatives at the next EPPC meeting on March 20, 2025.

Council Nominees Includes:

5,000 – 14,999

- Dusty Kuykendall, Mayor, City of Lucas

15,000 – 29,999

- W. Scott Smith, Councilmember, City of Murphy
- Phil Robison, Councilmember, City of Terrell

400,000 – 799,999

- Jim Ross, Mayor, City of Arlington

Should either you or the Executive Board members have questions, staff and I will be present at the meeting to address any questions.

MM:jc



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Item 10

Exhibit: 2025-02-10-EDO

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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 Executive Board is being asked to make appointments for several 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
Shea Hopkins, Director of Economic Development, City of Granbury	<30,000 Population
Jenny Mizutowicz, Director of Economic Development and Sustainability Liaison, University of Texas at Dallas	Education Sector
Dr. Jana Melsheimer, Executive Director, Region 10 Education Service Center	Education Sector

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.

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 for ensuring:

- 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	Kassandra Carroll, Economic Development Coordinator, City of Waxahachie
Vice Chair	Jim Wehmeier, Chief Executive Officer, City of Princeton Economic Development Corporation/Community Development Corporation
Secretary-Treasurer	Chris Strayer, Executive Director, Parker County Economic Development Corporation

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. **DENTON:** Rina Maloney, Grants and Economic Development Program Manager, Economic Development, Denton County
4. **ERATH:** Jeff Sandford, Executive Director, Stephenville Economic Development Authority
5. **JOHNSON:** Mary Sarver, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Grandview
6. **KAUFMAN:** Stewart McGregor, Executive Director, Kaufman Economic Development Corporation
7. **NAVARRO:** John Boswell, Economic Development Director, Navarro County and City of Corsicana
8. **ROCKWALL:** Phil Wagner, President, Rockwall Economic Development Corporation
9. **TARRANT:** Maegan South, Economic Development Manager, Tarrant County
10. **WISE:** J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County
11. **PALO PINTO:** Nate Dyhre, Director of Economic Development, City of Mineral Wells
12. **PARKER:** Chris Strayer, Executive Director, Parker County Economic Development Corporation
13. **ELLIS:** VACANT
14. **HOOD:** VACANT
15. **HUNT:** 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. Gaby Castillo, Business Development Coordinator, City of Dallas

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

19. Bryan Haywood, Economic Development Project Manager, City of Irving
20. Gus Garcia, Economic Development Director, City of Arlington

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. Michael Talley, Senior Vice President, City of McKinney Economic Development Corporation

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. John M. Smith, Town Administrator, Town of Hickory Creek
31. Chris Coffman, City Manager, City of Granbury
32. Kevin Holzbog, Executive Director, Decatur Economic Development Corporation
33. Jim Wehmeier, Chief Executive Officer, City of Princeton Economic Development Corporation/Community Development Corporation
34. John Knight, Assistant Director of Economic Development, City of Red Oak
35. Julie Pierce, President, Ennis Economic Development Corporation
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. Richard Perez, Senior Research and Data Manager, Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas
39. Phedra Redifer, Executive Director, 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. Ben Magill, Associate Vice Chancellor of Economic Opportunity, Dallas College
41. Dr. Suku Nair, Vice Provost for Research and Chief Innovation Officer, Southern Methodist University
42. Dr. Rupa Iyer, Vice President of Research Innovation & Economic Development, Tarleton State University
43. VACANT
44. VACANT – ISD/ESC

PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC INTERESTS (9 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. Taylor Shead, Chief Executive Officer, STEMuli Studios
52. Michael Grace, City of Duncanville Resident
53. Aaron BenComo - MD, Chief Medical Officer, Phronetik



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Item 11

Exhibit: 2025-02-11-AA

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson
Director of Administration

Item Title: Resolution to Accept and Acknowledge Receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2024

The ACFR and related reports are located at: <https://www.nctcog.org/edo/board>

The North Central Texas Council of Governments' (NCTCOG) Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), single audit reports, and the accompanying independent auditor's report for fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, are presented for acceptance and acknowledgement to the Executive Board. Representatives from NCTCOG's independent auditing firm, Pattillo, Brown & Hill, LLP, will be available to review the reports with Board members.

The Executive Board Audit Committee will meet with NCTCOG staff and audit firm representatives prior to the Executive Board meeting to review the reports.

A draft resolution accepting and acknowledging receipt of the ACFR and single audit reports is attached for Executive Board consideration.

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

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RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024

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's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report along with single audit reports for fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, are hereby submitted as audited by independent auditing firm Patillo, Brown & Hill, LLP; and,

WHEREAS, the Audit Committee of the Executive Board and the Executive Board have reviewed the documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board accepts and acknowledges receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and single audit reports for fiscal year 2024.

Section 2. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 12

Exhibit: 2025-02-12-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Endorsing Submittal of Fiscal Year 2025 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development Discretionary Grant Program Applications to the United States Department of Transportation

In November 2025, the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 funds for the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Discretionary Grant Program regarding strategic capital investments in surface transportation projects that will have significant local or regional impacts. The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) indicates availability of \$150 million for the BUILD Grant Program in FY 2025, and final applications are due to the USDOT on January 30, 2025. The following projects will be submitted by NCTCOG for a total BUILD Grant request of \$57,000,000: SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line Road Interchange (Irving), Ennis Avenue/UPRR Grade Separation, and the SH 183 – Pumphrey Drive Breakout Project (Fort Worth).

The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved submission of the projects to USDOT under the BUILD Grant Discretionary Grant Program on January 23, 2025. Staff is requesting endorsement of the BUILD Grant applications. If awarded, staff will work with USDOT on the most efficient method for transferring those funds to the region.

A draft resolution endorsing submittal of the FY 2025 BUILD applications 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.

MJ:jn/kw
Attachment

RESOLUTION ENDORSING SUBMITTAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2025 BETTER UTILIZING INVESTMENTS TO LEVERAGE DEVELOPMENT DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATIONS TO THE UNITED STATES 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, 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 Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) includes project development, technical support for transportation corridors, and surface access to aviation planning; and,

WHEREAS, in November 2024, United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) announced the solicitation of projects for the FY 2025 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Discretionary Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2025, the RTC approved the submittal of an application requesting \$57,000,000 in funding under the FY 2025 BUILD Discretionary Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Executive Board endorses the submitting of three applications to the USDOT under the FY 2025 BUILD Discretionary Grant Program in the amount of \$57,000,000, as detailed in Attachment 1.

Section 2. The Executive Board instructs staff to work with USDOT and partner agencies to determine the most efficient methods to bring those funds to the region, with the intention for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to be the implementing agent for the proposed projects.

Section 3. NCTCOG is authorized to receive approximately \$57,000,000 in FY 2025 BUILD Discretionary Grant Program funds, subject to Section 2.

Section 4. These funds will be incorporated into the applicable fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program as appropriate.

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.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson

FY 25 Local & Regional Project Assistance (BUILD) Program

Candidate Project List & Details

PROJECT				COST/FUNDING BREAKDOWN					
TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS	URBAN/ RURAL	E/W	NON-FEDERAL		FEDERAL			TOTAL COST
						Other	BUILD Grant	%	
SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line	Reconstruct SH 356/Belt Line Rd interchange as an ultimate SH 183 breakout project.	URBAN	EAST	\$241,250,000 ¹	70%	\$80,000,000 ²	\$25,000,000	30%	\$346,250,000
SH 183/Pumphery	Rebuild SH 183 junction with Pumphery Dr & Roaring Springs Rd for improved multimodal capacity, safety & NAS JRB accessibility.	URBAN	WEST	\$7,200,000 ³	20%	\$16,800,000 ⁴	\$12,000,000	80%	\$36,000,000
Ennis Avenue/UPRR	Build grade separation for Business US 287 under UPRR corridor in Downtown Ennis.	RURAL	EAST	\$21,360,000 ⁵	33%	\$23,440,000 ⁶	\$20,000,000	67%	\$64,800,000

1. Non-Federal: \$15M (TxDOT PE) + \$15M (TxDOT ROW) + \$15M (TxDOT Utilities) + \$100M (TIFIA Loan) + \$70M (RTR – SH 183 Corridor) + \$26.25M (Category 2/CMAQ/STBG/BUILD Match)
2. Federal (Other): \$80M (Category 2/STBG/CMAQ)
3. Non-Federal: \$4.2M (TxDOT Category 2 Match – Construction) + \$3M (TxDOT BUILD Match – Construction)
4. Federal (Other): \$16.8M (TxDOT Category 2 – Construction)
5. Non-Federal: \$7M (City of Ennis; **includes \$5M NCTCOG loan to be repaid by City, not counted in total**) + \$12.36M (TxDOT – ROW & BUILD Match) + \$2M (UPRR)
6. Federal (Other): \$21.44M (RTC Category 2 & Surface Transportation Block Grant funds) + \$2M (TxDOT Category 11 – District Discretionary funds)



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Item 13

Exhibit: 2025-02-13-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contract with The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute to Develop and Implement a Program to Reduce Youth Fatalities Due to Motor Vehicle Crashes

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) issued a Request for Proposals for Innovative Safety Projects and Programs to Reduce Youth Fatalities Due to Motor Vehicle Crashes on July 26, 2024. Two proposals were received. The Consultant Selection Committee (CSC) met on September 10, 2024, to discuss and evaluate submitted proposals. The CSC recommended The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute for this project. The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute will develop and implement a unique course curriculum to introduce moral courage and bystandership principles in youth and adolescent drivers' education to reduce fatal motor vehicle crashes amongst youthful drivers.

This project is funded with Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) dollars, approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) on December 14, 2023. This is part of the RTC Safety Program, totaling \$54,000,000. The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute is committed to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal of 14.1 percent, which matches the DBE goal identified for this type of procurement. Executive Board approval will be requested to enter into a consultant contract with The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute to perform these activities in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000 in RTR funds.

A draft resolution is attached for Executive Board consideration to authorize NCTCOG to enter into a consultant contract with The Meadows Mental Health in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000 for a program to reduce fatal motor vehicle crashes amongst youthful drivers is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions prior to Board approval.

NB:cc
Attachment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH THE MEADOWS MENTAL HEALTH POLICY INSTITUTE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO REDUCE YOUTH FATALITIES DUE TO MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES

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 5.07 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and 2025 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning provides for the development and implementation of driver safety education programs and,

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2024, the NCTCOG Executive Board adopted a resolution authorizing the receipt of Regional Toll Revenue for the planning and implementation of programs to be administered and managed by NCTCOG; and,

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2024, NCTCOG initiated a Request for Proposals to secure consultant assistance for innovative safety projects and programs to reduce youth fatalities due to motor vehicle crashes; and,

WHEREAS, the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute has been recommended by the Consultant Selection Committee to develop and implement a program to reduce youth fatalities due to motor vehicle crashes; 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 the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute to develop and implement a program to reduce youth fatalities due to motor vehicle crashes in an amount not to exceed \$3,200,000, 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.

Chris Hill, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
County Judge, Collin County

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on February 27, 2025.

Jennifer Justice, Secretary-Treasurer
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Richardson



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Item 14

Exhibit: 2025-02-14-TR

Meeting Date: February 27, 2025

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

Item Title: Status Report on Metropolitan Planning Organization Revolver Funds and
Regional Transportation Council Local Pool

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is required to pay for expenses associated with projects and programs it implements before federal reimbursement can be requested. To do this, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Revolver Fund was created to hold local funds that pay these invoices. In September and December 2015, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved the programming of projects to establish the MPO Revolver Fund. The MPO Revolver Fund is reimbursed as federal/State reimbursements are received. This memo refers to this fund as the “Permanent MPO Revolver Fund.”

The Executive Board also authorized the Transportation Director to move interest between the Permanent MPO Revolver Fund, the Temporary MPO Revolver Fund, and the RTC Local Fund Pool based on need. This action also requires staff to provide a semi-annual report to the Executive Board on the status of the MPO Revolver Funds and RTC Local Pool including interest transferred, if any, between funds.

Attachment 1 is a summary of the status of the Permanent MPO Revolver, the Temporary MPO Revolver, and the RTC Local Fund Pool. Also included is a summary presentation slide. I will provide a brief presentation on this item and be available to answer questions from the Board.

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Attachment

Permanent MPO Revolver Balance (as of 2/07/2025)	\$ 4,333,473
Permanent MPO Revolver	\$ 15,000,000
Permanent MPO Revolver Interest	\$ 399,186
Interest Earned (as of 12/31/2024)	\$ 399,186
Permanent MPO Revolver Utilization (as of 2/07/2025)	\$ 11,065,713
Temporary MPO Revolver Balance (as of 2/07/2025)	\$ 10,559,166
Temporary MPO Revolver Receipts	\$ 10,000,000
Temporary MPO Revolver Interest	\$ 559,166
Interest Earned (as of 12/31/2024)	\$ 559,166
Temporary MPO Revolver Utilization (as of 2/07/2025)	\$ -
RTC Local Fund Pool Balance (as of 2/10/2025)	\$ 109,333,934
RTC Local Fund Receipts	\$ 95,000,000
RTC Local Fund Interest	\$ 14,333,934
Interest Earned (as of 12/31/2024, includes interest earned from Historical RTC Local receipts)	\$ 14,333,934
Committed Funds	\$ -
Historical RTC Local Fund Pool Uncommitted Balance (as of 2/10/2025)	\$ 2,400,988
Historical RTC Local Fund Pool Receipts	\$ 131,115,435
Committed Funds	\$ 128,714,447
Completed Projects	\$ 99,076,899
Unused Funding from Complete Projects (pending closeout and decommitment)	\$ (7,128,886)
In Progress Projects	\$ 32,047,555
Committed for future SD/Landbanking Projects	\$ 4,718,879

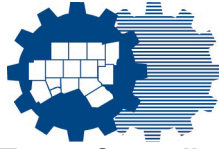
RTC LOCAL Accounts (February 7, 2024)

Permanent MPO Revolver Balance (as of 2/7/2025)	\$	4,333,473
Permanent MPO Revolver	\$	15,000,000
Permanent MPO Revolver Interest	\$	399,186
Permanent MPO Revolver Utilization	\$	11,065,713
Temporary MPO Revolver Balance (as of 2/7/2025)	\$	10,559,166
Temporary MPO Revolver Receipts	\$	10,000,000
Temporary MPO Revolver Interest	\$	559,166
Temporary MPO Revolver Utilization	\$	-
RTC Local Fund Pool Balance (as of 2/10/2025)	\$	109,333,934
RTC Local Fund Receipts	\$	95,000,000
RTC Local Fund Interest	\$	14,333,934
Committed Funds	\$	-
Historical RTC Local Fund Pool Uncommitted Balance (as of 2/10/2025)	\$	2,400,988

NCTCOG EXECUTIVE BOARD ATTENDANCE

June 2024 - May 2025

	Name	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	TOTAL
	Chris Hill President	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P					7
	Victoria Johnson Vice President	P	P	P	P	P	P	V	P					8
	Jennifer Justice Secretary/Treasurer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P					8
	Bill Heidemann Past President	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P					8
	David Bristol	P	A	V	P	P	P	V	V					7
	Carlos Flores	P	V	P	P	P	P	V	V					8
	T.J. Gilmore	P	P	P	P	V	P	A	P					7
	Bowie Hogg	A	V	P	V	P	A	P	A					5
	Rick Horne	P	P	V	P	A	P	V	P					7
	Brandon J. Huckabee	P	P	P	P	P	P	V	P					8
	Clay Jenkins	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P					5
	Todd Little	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P					8
	Cara Mendelsohn	P	V	P	P	P	P	V	P					8
	Bobbie Mitchell	P	P	P	P	V	P	V	P					8
	Tim O'Hare	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P					8
	Kameron Raburn	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	P					6
	Nick Stanley	A	P	P	V	P	A	V	P					6
	Victoria Neave Criado - Ex Officio, Non-Voting Member	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A					0
	TOTAL PRESENT	14	16	17	15	15	15	14	16	0	0	0	0	122
	Attendance Code:	P=Present A=Absent V=Virtual NM=No meeting *Check previous the posted attendance sheet for that month												



North Central Texas Council of Governments

2025 NCTCOG Executive Board Calendar

Regular Meetings start at **1:00 pm** unless otherwise posted
 Meeting Location: CenterPoint II, 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas

March 27, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
April 24, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
May 22, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
June 13, 2025	<i>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</i>
June 26, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
July 24, 2025	Executive Board Meeting & NCTCOG Foundation Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
August 28, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
September 25, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
October 23, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
November 20, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
December 18, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices