#### North Central Texas Council of Governments

TO: NCTCOG Executive Board DATE: September 18, 2025

FROM: Todd Little

**Executive Director** 

**SUBJECT:** Executive Board Meeting

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

**DATE**: September 25, 2025

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

**11:15 AM:** FINANCE COMMITTEE – (Six Flags Conference Room)

Members: Cara Mendelsohn, Chair; David Bristol, TJ Gilmore, Chris Hill, Bowie Hogg,

Rick Horne, Kameron Raburn

Presentation of FY2026 Proposed Annual Fiscal Program

**12:00 NOON: LUNCH** 

1:00 PM: EXECUTIVE BOARD – REGULAR SESSION

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

TL:jw

### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

### **EXECUTIVE BOARD AGENDA**

September 25, 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 <a href="http://nctcog.swagit.com/live">http://nctcog.swagit.com/live</a>. The meeting will be recorded and posted later on NCTCOG's website <a href="http://nctcog.swagit.com/executive-board/">http://nctcog.swagit.com/executive-board/</a>

Executive Board		<u>Staff</u>
<ol> <li>Victoria Johnson – President</li> <li>Jennifer Justice – Vice President</li> <li>Brandon J. Huckabee – Secretary/Treasurer</li> <li>Chris Hill – Past President</li> <li>Christopher Boedeker</li> <li>David Bristol</li> <li>Carlos Flores</li> <li>T.J. Gilmore</li> <li>Bowie Hogg</li> </ol>	10 Rick Horne 11 Gary Hulsey 12 Clay Jenkins 13 Cara Mendelsohn 14 Bobbie Mitchell 15 Tim O'Hare 16 Kameron Raburn 17 Mitch Little	Todd Little Monte Mercer Sue Alvarez Tim Barbee Doni Green Maribel Martinez Michael Morris Phedra Redifer Randy Richardson Christy Williams Jerri Watson
FINANCE COMMITTEE: 11:15 am		
The Finance Committee will meet to discuss the FY2	2026 Proposed Annual Fiscal P	rogram
REGULAR SESSION: 1:00 pm		
Call to order time:		
Pledge to the United States and Texas Flags		
Public Comment on Agenda Items (Must be physical Members of the public may comment on any item(s) your name, city of residence and the agenda item(s) minutes is permitted per speaker. At the conclusion of the provided for the duration of the meeting.	on today's agenda at this time. on which you are commenting.	. A maximum three (3)
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:		
Motion/Second Item # Name of Item		
/ 1 Approval of Minutes – Augus	st 28, 2025	
	26 Purchase of Computer Ha tract Services for the Agency	
	racts for Artificial Intelligence ontrol Services - Randy Richa	

/	4	Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services - Randy Richardson
/	5	Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software - Randy Richardson
/	6	Resolution Authorizing a Personal Services Agreement with Diane Palmer-Boeck for TXShare Consultation and Program Assistance - Randy Richardson
/	7	Resolution Endorsing the FY2026 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office - Kelly Schmidt
/	8	Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the FEMA GY2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Grant Funds - Maribel Martinez
/	9	Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for the Receipt of Funding and Execution of a Contract with Carma Technology Corporation for Software Integration with the Texas Department of Transportation Managed Lane Toll System Upgrades - Michael Morris
/	10	Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with STAR Transit for On-Demand Transit Service in the Southern Dallas Inland Port - Michael Morris
/	11	Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Funding for Land Use, Transit Station Development, and Active Transportation Initiatives - Michael Morris
/	12	Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Cleburne for Safety-Related Roadway Improvements to US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway - Michael Morris
/	13	Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Genesis Environmental Group, LLC to Conduct National Environmental Policy Act Assistance - Michael Morris
/	14	Resolution Authorizing Grant Proposal to the State Energy Conservation Office Regional Energy Management Program - Susan Alvarez
/	15	Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Highland Economics to Support Upper Trinity River Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project (TSI) - Susan Alvarez
/	16	Appointments to Department of Environment and Development Advisory Committees - Susan Alvarez
/	17	Appointment to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC) - Doni Green
/	18	Appointment to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD) - Prit Patel

ITEMS FOR I	NDIVIE	DUAL CONSIDERATION:
/	19	Conduct a Public Hearing Regarding the Annual Fiscal Program for FY 2026 and Consider a Resolution to Approve and Adopt the Annual Fiscal Program - Randy Richardson
/	20	Resolution Authorizing Purchase and Placement of Education Campaigns for Transportation Initiatives in Fiscal Year 2026 - Michael Morris
/	21	Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Citian, Inc. for a Predictive Crash Analysis Software Tool for the Regional Roadway Safety Program - Michael Morris
/	22	Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. to Develop a Flooded Roads Information System - Michael Morris
/	23	Resolution Appointing Executive Board Member for the Collin County Vacant Seat Todd Little
INFORMATIO	N ITE	<u>MS:</u>
	24	Status Report on Step 1 of the Federal Railroad Administration's Corridor Identification and Development Program for the Fort Worth to Houston High-Speed Rail Corridor - Michael Morris
	25	Executive Director's Report     Remote Work Policy     November Executive Board Meeting
MISCELLANE	OUS:	
	26	Future Calendar and Attendance
Adjournment	:	
		ession may be held on any of the above agenda items when legally justified pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 551).
APPROVED F	OR P	OSTING:
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Todd Little, Ex	ecutiv	e Director

### NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Minutes — August 28, 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 Johnson, 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 Johnson called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 1:04 pm on August 28, 2025. Todd Little took attendance and determined that a quorum was physically present.

### Members of the Board Present:

### 1. Victoria Johnson 2. Jennifer Justice

- David Bristol
- 4. Carlos Flores 5. T.J. Gilmore
- 6. Bowie Hogg

### 7. Gary Hulsey

- 8. Clay Jenkins
- 9. Cara Mendelsohn
- 10. Bobbie Mitchell
- 11. Tim O'Hare
- 12. Kameron Raburn

#### **Members of the Board Absent:**

- 1. Brandon J. Huckabee
- 2. Chris Hill
- 3. Christopher Boedeker
- 4. Rick Horne
- 5. Mitch Little

#### **Members of the Staff Present:**

Todd Little, 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, Dan Kessler, Jessie Shadowens-James, Jon Blackman, Maggie Lira, Richard Michael, Lisa Sack, Megan Short, Kelly Schmidt, Donna Coggeshall, April Leger, Jennifer Oliver, Lori Clark, Jacqueline Morales, Shelly Broyles, Hannah Ordonez

### **Visitors Present:**

Lisa & Alex Trumble, David Kerrl Chair, RCCC; Rob Barthen | GrantWorks; Lauren Trimble | Dallas County; Robert Fitel Fire Chief, Grand Prairie, David Cabrales, April Greenhill

### **REGULAR SESSION**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

President Johnson opened the meeting for public comment and asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak. Two members of the public, Lisa and Alex Trumble, commented on Agenda Item #2: Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Public Hazard Alerting Systems.

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

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

### Item 1 Approval of Minutes

### Item 2 Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Public Hazard Alerting Systems

Board approval was requested to award contracts for Public Hazard Alerting Systems to Federal Signal Corporation, LAWS Systems, and BlackBerry Corporation. These contracts, each with a maximum term of five (5) years, will enable the procurement of wireless emergency alert systems, outdoor warning sirens, digital warning signage, and other related technologies and services. The awarded contracts will be made available through the TXShare cooperative purchasing program, allowing public agencies across the United States to access these services within the geographic regions served by the selected vendors.

### Item 3 Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Nearmap to Provide Recurring Aerial and Oblique Imagery Services

Board authorization was requested to enter into a contract with Nearmap for aerial and oblique imagery services under the Spatial Data Cooperative Program. The proposed agreement would span up to five years and not exceed \$3,000,000, with funding provided entirely by regional participants. Since 2001, NCTCOG has coordinated cost-sharing efforts to acquire high-quality aerial photography for North Central Texas, and in 2020 began offering subscription-based orthophotography and oblique data services. These services provide sixinch or higher resolution imagery captured two to three times annually, delivered within 30 days of flight. With the current contract set to expire on November 30, 2025, participating entities have requested continuation of the project. Following the closure of RFP #2025-073 on August 4, 2025, Nearmap was selected as the recommended vendor based on evaluation results. Nearmap, a leading global provider of cloud-based geospatial services, is anticipated to begin the new contract in December 2025.

### Item 4 Resolution Authorizing Agreements with Additional Rebate Recipients for the North Texas Diesel Emissions Reduction Project

Board authorization was requested to enter contractual agreements with the following rebate recipients for the North Texas Diesel Emissions Reduction Project (NTDERP):

- An agreement between NCTCOG and Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport for an
  amount not to exceed \$335,250 in Environmental Protection Agency funds (no more
  than 45 percent of project costs) and approximately \$409,750 in local contributions (at
  least 55 percent of project costs) to replace one diesel vehicle with a zero-emission
  vehicle.
- An agreement between NCTCOG and Delta Air Lines for an amount not to exceed \$379,426 in Environmental Protection Agency funds (no more than 45 percent of project costs) and approximately \$463,744 in local contributions (at least 55 percent of project costs) to replace ten diesel nonroad equipment with newer, zero-emission nonroad equipment.

These projects aim to reduce diesel emissions and noise, benefiting regional air quality and public health. The Regional Transportation Council approved funding for these projects at its August 7, 2025, meeting. Following this allocation, approximately \$560,000 remains available for future funding opportunities under the NTDERP. Executive Board approval is requested to proceed with these agreements as part of NCTCOG's role as RTC's fiscal agent.

### Item 5 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Feonix Mobility Rising for a Transportation Assistance Hub through the Transit Strategic Partnership Program

Board authorization was requested to enter a contractual agreement with Feonix Mobility Rising for an amount not to exceed \$705,851, consisting of \$454,648 in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 funds and \$251,203 in local match. The funding will support mobility management services in Southern Dallas and Northern Ellis Counties through a Transportation Assistance Hub. Services will include mobility navigators to connect riders with available transportation options and volunteer drivers to assist mobility-impaired residents and seniors in areas lacking accessible transit. NCTCOG, as the designated recipient of Section 5310 funds in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Urbanized Area, allocates these funds through the Transit Strategic Partnerships Program to address service gaps. Feonix Mobility Rising was selected from the May 2024 project cycle, and the Regional Transportation Council approved funding for the project on October 17, 2024. Executive Board approval is requested to implement the project through NCTCOG in its role as RTC's fiscal agent.

### Item 6 Appointment to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda for Individual Consideration by Mayor Bristol.

Upon a Motion by Mayor Raburn (seconded by Mayor Gilmore), the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda Items as posted with the exception of Item 6.

#### ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

### Item 6 Appointment to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda for Individual Consideration by Mayor Bristol.

Board approval was requested to appoint Alex Phillips, Economic Development Director for the City of Burleson, to the North Central Texas Economic Development District (NCTEDD) Board. Mr. Phillips will serve a three-year term representing the Johnson County seat. The NCTEDD Board serves as an advisory body to the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Executive Board and provides guidance for the region's Economic Development District, which is managed and staffed by NCTCOG.

Mayor Bristol requested that the record reflect Mary Ann Moon, former Executive Director of the Prosper Economic Development Corporation, is no longer serving in that role or affiliated with the Town of Prosper.

Exhibit: 2025-08-06-EDO

Mayor Bristol made a motion to approve the appointment of Alex Phillips to the NCTEDD Board (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell). By unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the appointment.

#### Item 7 Resolution Endorsing the 2024 International Fire Code and Regional Code Amendments

Susan Alvarez, Director of Environment and Development, requested Executive Board endorsement of the recommended regional amendments to the 2024 Edition of the International Fire Code. The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), through its Regional Codes Coordinating Committee (RCCC), has long promoted the standardization of model construction codes to reduce training costs and streamline construction across municipalities. Following open review meetings and final approval by the RCCC on July 15, 2025, the regional amendments are now available for public viewing: <a href="https://www.nctcog.org/envir/regional-building-codes/amendments">https://www.nctcog.org/envir/regional-building-codes/amendments</a>. The RCCC also seeks the Executive Board's recommendation that all cities in the North Central Texas region adopt the 2024 International Fire Code and corresponding regional amendments to further regional code uniformity.

Mayor Bristol requested the resolution be amended to reflect that all cities and counties in the North Central Texas region consider adoption of the 2024 International Fire Code.

Exhibit: 2025-08-07-ED

Mayor Bristol made a motion to amend the resolution to reflect that all cities and counties in the North Central Texas region consider adoption of the 2024 International Fire Code (seconded by Councilmember Justice). By unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as amended.

### Item 8 Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Phase 2 of the UAS Airspace Awareness Pilot Program

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, requested Executive Board authorization to enter into contractual agreements with AirDEX, Inc. (dba ATAA Aviation) and Airspace Link, Inc. to implement Phase 2 of the Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Airspace Awareness Pilot Program. Each agreement will be in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 over two years, for a total program cost not to exceed \$300,000, funded with Regional Transportation Council Local funds. Phase 2 builds upon the initial pilot by continuing live drone data visibility for residents and businesses, while advancing data-sharing capabilities across platforms, expanding municipal participation, and enhancing interoperability through a unified operating dashboard. The initiative supports the FAA's UTM Key Site goals and aims to improve regional coordination of low-altitude UAS activity. Following a competitive procurement process limited to Phase 1 participants, the Selection Committee recommended both firms for contract award.

Exhibit: 2025-08-08-TR

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

### Item 9 Resolution Approving the FY2026-FY2028 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal Update for US Department of Transportation Contracting Opportunities

Ken Kirkpatrick, General Counsel, requested Executive Board approval of the proposed Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal of 8.6 percent for United States Department of Transportation-assisted contracts for Fiscal Years 2026 through 2028. As required by the Federal Transit Administration, NCTCOG updates its DBE Goal every three years. The current goal remains in effect through September 30, 2025. Staff developed the proposed goal based on current federal requirements and concluded the public participation process. The Regional Transportation Council approved the proposed goal at its August 7, 2025 meeting. No substantive changes have been made since the item was presented at the July Executive Board meeting. Executive Board approval is requested in its role as RTC's fiscal agent.

Exhibit: 2025-08-09-TR

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

### Item 10 Resolution Authorizing the Procurement of a Consultant for the NCTCOG Strategic Vision Plan

Jon Blackman, Assistant Director of Administration, requested Board authorization to initiate a formal procurement process for a consultant to assist in the development of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Strategic Vision Plan through 2050. With the region's population projected to grow from 8.7 million to 12.6 million by 2050, the Strategic Vision Plan will help position NCTCOG to effectively support member governments in addressing regional challenges and opportunities across areas such as infrastructure, workforce development, emergency planning, and services for older adults. The proposed visioning process will be stakeholder-informed and forward-looking, complementing but remaining distinct from the agency's recurring five-year strategic plan. The consultant will facilitate a multi-phase visioning effort, conduct organizational assessments and benchmarking, and deliver a strategic implementation roadmap. Preliminary budget estimates for the project range from \$150,000 to \$250,000, with final costs to be determined through a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Upon completion of the evaluation, staff will return to the Executive Board with a recommended consultant and budget for approval.

Exhibit: 2025-08-10-EDO

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Mendelsohn (seconded by Councilmember Flores), and unanimous vote of all

members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

#### Item 11 Status Report on Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Annual Fiscal Program

Randy Richardson, Director of Administration, addressed the Executive Board and reported that the Finance Committee met earlier to review a detailed presentation on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Fiscal Program. Committee members were given the opportunity to ask questions of staff. Mr. Richardson provided a condensed version of the presentation to the Board and noted that the item would be brought forward in September for final approval. He then turned the presentation over to Ms. Mendelsohn, Chair of the Finance Committee, who thanked committee members for their participation and commended staff for their work. She noted that while the operation of NCTCOG is complex, the finances are straightforward and transparent, with the proposed budget approximately \$70 million higher than the previous year due to increased federal funds and grants primarily due to transportation related grants. Committee discussions included requests for more information on contracted consultants, a suggestion to consider benchmarking personnel policies through an ad hoc committee, and a proposal to increase the Executive Director's contract signature authority from \$100,000 to \$200,000. While the committee showed strong support for the increase due to reporting mechanisms, the majority of the Board did not favor the change. Additional topics included cash flow management and the adequacy of membership dues. Ms. Mendelsohn concluded by commending the staff for their thorough and well-prepared presentation.

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

Mayor Gilmore left the meeting and did not return.

### Item 12 Status Report on Metropolitan Planning Organization Revolver Funds and Regional Transportation Council Local Pool

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, provided a status report on the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Revolver funds and Regional Transportation Council Local Pool.

A detailed summary of the status of the Permanent MPO Revolver, the Temporary MPO Revolver, and the RTC Local Fund Pool are below.

RTC LOCAL Accounts (August 8, 2025)

\$ 7,153,65
\$ 15,000,00
\$ 508,63
\$ 8,354,98
19.5
\$ 10,788,73
\$ 10,000,00
\$ 788,73
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\$ 101,306,06
\$ 95,000,00
\$ 17,333,04
\$ 11,026,97
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This was an informational item and did not require a vote.

### Item 13 Executive Director's Report

Mr. Little presented the Executive Director's Report, noting that the Bylaws Committee held its first meeting on August 21, 2025, chaired by Councilmember Justice. He invited Chair Justice to offer remarks. Ms. Justice stated that the initial meeting was good and that key areas were outlined for staff to research and report back at the next

meeting, scheduled for September 16, 2025. The committee aims to prepare a presentation to the Board by January 2026 with the goal of submitting any proposed bylaw amendments to the General Assembly in June. Additionally, Mr. Little announced a change to the open meetings posting requirements, which now mandate three (3) business days' notice instead of the previous 72-hour requirement, effective September 1, 2025.

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

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

#### Item 14 Attendance and Calendar

The Board was provided with a Calendar of meeting and a record of Attendance. Mr. Little polled the Board regarding the December business meeting. The consensus was to cancel the December Board meeting.

President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 3:08 pm.	
Approved by:	Checked by:
Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson	Todd Little, Executive Director North Central Texas Council of Governments



Exhibit: 2025-09-02-IIS

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Tim Barbee

Director of Information and Innovation Services/CIO NCTCOG

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing FY2026 Purchase of Computer Hardware, Software, and

Information Technology Contract Services for the Agency

The Executive Board will be asked to approve the purchase of computer hardware, software, and related services in the FY2026 Information Technology Infrastructure and Services Purchase Plan in the amount of \$4,715,000. The plan is based on information provided by each of the departments within NCTCOG concerning their Information Technology needs over the next 12 to 36 months, licensing and maintenance costs of enterprise hardware and software, and expected projects to be completed.

The NCTCOG Enterprise Information Technology environment includes over 1,900 devices, over 380 applications, and over 800 terabytes of electronic data. The plan includes:

- purchasing computers and accessories for NCTCOG staff and contractors;
- maintenance and licensing for existing hardware, software and network infrastructure;
- replacing existing or purchasing new hardware and software to support organizational needs;
- contract services to support core components of the information technology environment;
- maintenance and licensing for system and data security hardware and software;
- · contract services to support the security of the information technology environment;
- costs associated with entering a three-year agreement for geographical information systems software product licensing;
- costs associated with the two-year renewal of the Agency's learning management system.

A resolution authorizing the FY2026 purchase of computer hardware, software and information technology contracts services is enclosed for Executive Board consideration. Details of the purchase plan are included in Attachment A of the proposed resolution. Purchases will be made in accordance with State of Texas procurement requirements, typically through a Cooperative Purchasing Contract agreement or sole-source purchase.

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

Exhibit: 2025-09-02-IIS

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FY2026 PURCHASE OF COMPUTER HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACT SERVICES FOR THE AGENCY

**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 staff annually reviews and determines anticipated computer hardware, software and information technology contract services needs for the upcoming year; and,

**WHEREAS**, the FY2026 purchase of Computer Hardware, Software and Information Technology Contract Services is contained in Attachment A and is recommended for Executive Board approval; and,

**WHEREAS**, the North Central Texas Council of Governments will comply with federal and state regulations regarding contracting and procurement.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1.	The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes the purchase of Computer			
	Hardware, Software and Information Technology Contract Services,			
	consistent with Attachment A, in an amount not to exceed \$4,715,000.			

The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute contractual agreements consistent with Attachment A, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to increase contract amounts for purchase categories in Attachment A, up to a maximum of twenty-five percent (25%), subject to the total authorized amount contained in Section 1.

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Exhibit: 2025-09-02-IIS Attachment

### **Attachment A**

#	Category	Vendor(s)	Costs
1	Client Devices and Accessories: Includes the cost of all printers, scanners, computers, tablets, monitors, headsets, accessories, and associated warranties.	CDWG, Dell, SHI	\$585,000
2	Client Productivity Software and Software as a Service (SaaS): Includes the cost of client productivity and collaboration software or software as a service. This includes Adobe, Smartsheet, Zoom, Docusign, and other SaaS or productivity software, and associated support and consulting services.	Carahsoft, Cartovista, CDWG, Echo360, Insight, MainMicro, Quark Software, SHI	\$612,000
3	<b>Network, Internet, and Associated Services:</b> Includes the cost of equipment for the network routers, switches, firewalls, access points, and data network equipment and associated warranties and software maintenance.	CDWG, Flair Data Systems	\$140,000
4	<b>Data Center and Infrastructure Equipment:</b> Includes the cost of replacing, upgrading, or purchasing new data center server, storage, and data protection equipment, including any warranties or software maintenance contracts.	CDWG, FreeIT, Waypoint	\$390,000
5	<b>Cabling and Wiring Services:</b> Includes the cost of cabling services, installing patch panels and equipment racks, and testing existing cabling and wiring.	NCS	\$150,000
6	Internet, Telephone, and Wide Area Network Services: Includes the cost for Internet and telephone connectivity for the Agency and the cost of the wide area network connectivity required for the Workforce Department.	TxDIR	\$225,000
7	<b>Learning Management System (LMS):</b> Includes the maintenance of the learning management system software. This is for a 2-year contract term.	Cornerstone On- Demand	\$125,000
8	<b>Transportation Modeling Software:</b> Includes the maintenance of Caliper Transcad Modeling and add-ons software.	Caliper	\$78,000
9	<b>Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Software:</b> Includes both on-premises and cloud-based software licensing and maintenance, premium support, business and technical consulting, and training services. This is for a 3-year contract term.	ESRI	\$1,175,000
10	<b>Website Licensing and Support:</b> Includes the cost of licensing and related services for the main NCTCOG website and other websites on the Kentico platform.	SHI	\$125,000
11	Laserfiche Software and Support: Includes the cost of Laserfiche software and maintenance, and the cost of support services for the Laserfiche software and related technologies. This is for a 3-year contract term.	Modified Logic	\$600,000 1
12	Security Software, Services, and Hardware: Includes funds for the maintenance, support, and associated services for security hardware and software.	Carahsoft, ePlus, General Datatech, Kudelski Security, Optiv, SHI	\$510,000
		TOTAL AUTHORIZATIONS:	\$4,715,000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This authorizes the maximum not-to-exceed amount for NCTCOG purchases utilizing its Deliverables-Based Information Technology Services (RFP #2023-069) contract with Modified Logic.

Exhibit: 2025-09-03-AA

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson

**Director of Administration** 

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation,

Transcription, and Quality Control Services

This is a request to award contracts for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation, Transcription, and Quality Control Services through the North Central Texas Council of Governments TXShare cooperative purchasing program.

The purpose of the contract(s) is to retain the services of one or more firms that offer any or all the below listed Service Categories:

- Service Category 1: Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation for 9-1-1
- Service Category 2: Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Transcription for 9-1-1
- Service Category 3: Artificial Intelligence (AI) Quality Control for 9-1-1
- Service Category 4: Any additional 9-1-1 Al services not explicitly referenced in the RFP

NCTCOG prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-093 for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation, Transcription, and Quality Control Services, with proposals due on July 14, 2025. Twelve (12) proposals were received and publicly opened. Four (4) proposals were deemed non-responsive. The responsive proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of representatives from NCT 9-1-1, Tarrant County 9-1-1, and City of Midlothian. Following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending contracts be awarded to:

- Compunnel Software Group, Inc. for Service Categories 1, 2, 3, & 4
- Convey911 for Service Categories 1, 2, & 4
- GovWorx, Inc. for Service Categories 1, 2, 3, & 4
- Invictus Apps Inc., dba Prepared for Service Categories 1, 2, 3, & 4
- Northland and Companies, dba Northland Business Systems for Service Categories 1, 2, 3, & 4

A draft resolution authorizing contracts with the aforementioned vendors and the service categories listed herein for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation, Transcription, and Quality Control Services for maximum five (5) year terms is attached for Executive Board consideration. If approved, these contracts will be available through the TXShare cooperative purchasing program to agencies throughout the United States for services in the geographic regions served by the awarded vendors.

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

Exhibit: 2025-09-03-AA

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) LANGUAGE TRANSLATION, TRANSCRIPTION, AND QUALITY CONTROL SERVICES

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

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

**WHEREAS**, a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-093 for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation, Transcription, and Quality Control Services was advertised and proposals received on July 14, 2025; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, following evaluation, it is recommended that contracts be awarded to Compunnel Software Group, Inc., Convey911, GovWorx, Inc., Invictus Apps Inc., dba Prepared, and Northland and Companies, dba Northland Business Systems; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement 2025-093.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Compunnel Software Group, Inc., Convey911, GovWorx, Inc., Invictus Apps Inc., dba Prepared, and Northland and Companies, dba Northland Business Systems, for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Language Translation, Transcription, and Quality Control Services for the service categories detailed in Attachment 1, for maximum five (5) year terms, be and are hereby approved.

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

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

	Service Categories			
Responder	(AI) Language	_	Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Quality Control	*
Compunnel Software Group, Inc.	y	v	N A	Y Y
Convey911	X	X	^	X
GoWorx, Inc.	Х	X	X	Х
Invictus Apps Inc, dba Prepared	X	X	X	Х
Northland and Companies, dba Northland Business Systems	X	Х	X	Х

Exhibit: 2025-09-04-AA

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson

**Director of Administration** 

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Contract for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related

Signage Services

This is a request to award a contract for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services through the North Central Texas Council of Governments TXShare cooperative purchasing program.

The purpose of the contract is to retain the services of one or more firms that offer any or all the below listed Service Categories:

- Service Category 1: Vehicle Wraps
- Service Category 2: Window Graphics
- Service Category 3: Custom Exhibit & Display Signage
- Service Category 4: Decals
- Service Category 5: Other Ancillary Goods or Services

NCTCOG prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-079 for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services with the proposals due on June 18, 2025. Two (2) proposals were received, publicly opened, and deemed responsive. The proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of representatives from the cities of Southlake and Keller. Following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending a contract be awarded to:

Turbo Images Corp. for all Service Categories

A draft resolution authorizing a contract with Turbo Images Corp. for all five (5) Services Categories listed herein for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services for a maximum five (5) year term is attached for Executive Board consideration. If approved, this contract will be available through the TXShare cooperative purchasing program to agencies throughout the United States in the geographic regions served by the awarded vendor.

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

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Exhibit: 2025-09-04-AA

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR VEHICLE WRAPPING, DECALS, AND RELATED SIGNAGE SERVICES

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

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

**WHEREAS**, a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-079 for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services was advertised and proposals received on June 18, 2025; and,

**WHEREAS**, proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of individuals from member agencies; and,

**WHEREAS**, following evaluation, it is recommended that a contract be awarded to Turbo Images Corp; and,

**WHEREAS**, this contract is intended to be utilized by NCTCOG member governments and other participating entities as part of NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement 2025-079.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. A contract between NCTCOG and Turbo Images Corp. for Vehicle Wrapping, Decals, and Related Signage Services, for a maximum five (5) year term, be and is hereby approved.
- The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out this program, including agreements with member governments and other entities wishing to participate in NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- **Section 3.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Exhibit: 2025-09-05-AA

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson

**Director of Administration** 

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Contracts for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and

Plan Review Software

This is a request to award contracts for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software through the North Central Texas Council of Governments TXShare cooperative purchasing program.

The purpose of the contract(s) is to retain the services of one or more firms that offer either or both of the below listed Service Categories:

- Service Category 1: Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software
- Service Category 2: Other Ancillary Goods or Services

NCTCOG prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-059 for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software, with proposals due on July 11, 2025. Eight (8) proposals were received, publicly opened, and deemed responsive. The proposals were evaluated by a committee comprised of representatives from the City of McKinney and Town of Little Elm. Following the initial evaluation, the top four (4) ranked vendors were invited to provide software demonstrations to allow for a more in-depth assessment of functionality, usability, and alignment with project requirements. Based on the combined results of the proposal evaluations and software demonstrations, the Evaluation Committee is recommending contracts be awarded to:

- Archistar Inc. for Service Categories 1 & 2
- CodeComply.Al for Service Category 1
- ComplyAl, Inc. dba CivCheck for Service Categories 1 & 2
- Symbium Corp. for Service Categories 1 & 2

A draft resolution authorizing contracts with the aforementioned vendors and the service categories listed herein for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software for maximum five (5) year terms is attached for Executive Board consideration. If approved, these contracts will be available through the TXShare cooperative purchasing program to agencies throughout the United States for services in the geographic regions served by the awarded vendors.

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

Exhibit: 2025-09-05-AA

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) BASED BUILDING AND PLAN REVIEW SOFTWARE

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

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

**WHEREAS**, a Request for Proposals (RFP) 2025-059 for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software was advertised and proposals received on July 11, 2025; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, following evaluation and software demonstrations, it is recommended that contracts be awarded to Archistar Inc., CodeComply.AI, ComplyAI, Inc. dba CivCheck, and Symbium Corp.; and,

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

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings for this procurement 2025-059.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. Contracts between NCTCOG and Archistar Inc., CodeComply.AI, ComplyAI, Inc. dba CivCheck, and Symbium Corp., for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software for the Service Categories detailed in Attachment 1, for maximum five (5) year terms, be and are hereby approved.
- The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out this program, including agreements with member governments and other entities wishing to participate in NCTCOG's TXShare Cooperative Purchasing Program, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- **Section 3.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

	Service Categories			
Responder	Artificial Intelligence (AI) Based Building and Plan Review Software	Other Ancillary Goods or Services		
Archistar Inc.	X	X		
CodeComply.Al	X			
ComplyAl, Inc. dba CivCheck	X	X		
Symbium Corp.	X	X		

Exhibit: 2025-09-06-AA

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson

**Director of Administration** 

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Personal Services Agreement with Diane Palmer-Boeck for

TXShare Consultation and Program Assistance

This is a request to authorize a Personal Services Agreement with Diane Palmer-Boeck for Consultation and Program Assistance with the TXShare cooperative purchasing program. Ms. Palmer-Boeck brings more than three decades of public procurement leadership, having served last with the City of Plano, retiring as Director of Procurement and Project Management, where she oversaw purchasing, inventory control, warehouse operations, project management, construction management and fleet services. Her extensive experience, regional relationships, and national procurement expertise have proven invaluable in advancing the TXShare program.

Governance roles include past Presidency and Board service at the National Purchasing Institute (NPI), contributions to the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP), and participation in the NIGP Leadership Development Committee. During her time with TXShare, Ms. Palmer-Boeck has served as a key consultant to the program, helping transform the program from a regional effort into a growing initiative with expanded statewide and national visibility.

#### Her contributions have been instrumental in:

- Establishing Strategic Advisory Capacity: Formed the first TXShare Advisory Committee, bringing together regional procurement leaders to identify contracting priorities, training needs, and emerging opportunities.
- Expanding Training & Professional Development: Coordinated complimentary and reduced-cost training opportunities under TXShare sponsorship, positioning the program as not just a contract vehicle, but a professional development partner for procurement staff.
- Growing Membership and Engagement: Led outreach campaigns that significantly increased TXShare membership, from approximately 200 members in 2023 to more than 300 members as of September 2025, while strengthening relationships with both members and suppliers.
- Enhancing Program Visibility and Trust: Elevated TXShare's profile through targeted outreach to local governments, industry partners, and professional associations, improving recognition of TXShare as a reliable and innovative cooperative contracting program.

A draft resolution authorizing NCTCOG to enter into a personal services agreement with Diane Palmer-Boeck for a maximum two (2) year term and in an amount not to exceed \$150,000 is attached for Executive Board consideration. All funds to pay Ms. Palmer-Boeck for the services under this authorization shall be paid from TXShare program revenues only. I will be available to answer any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

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

Exhibit: 2025-09-06-AA

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PERSONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH DIANE PALMER-BOECK FOR TXSHARE CONSULTATION AND PROGRAM ASSISTANCE

**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 desires to retain the services of Diane Palmer-Boeck, through a personal services agreement to assist the TXShare Cooperative Purchasing program in increasing program participation, outreach, engagement, and TXShare membership; and,

**WHEREAS**, Texas Local Government Code §252.022(a)(4)) exempts personal service agreements from competitive bidding requirements.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- A personal services agreement between NCTCOG and Diane Palmer-Boeck for TXShare consultation and program assistance, for a maximum two (2) year term and in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, be and is hereby approved.
- The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute an agreement with Diane Palmer-Boeck 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.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.



Exhibit: 2025-09-07-CJ

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Kelly Schmidt

Criminal Justice Program Administrator

Item Title: Resolution Endorsing the FY2026 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Office

of the Governor Public Safety Office

The Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office (PSO) executes a single Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to provide Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) and Criminal Justice Division (CJD) services through its Emergency Preparedness and Criminal Justice Departments respectively.

There is one agreement, but it includes two separate Statements of Work (SOW): one for HSGD deliverables and one for CJD deliverables. The performance period runs from September 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026.

#### **Emergency Preparedness Department:**

The Interlocal Cooperation Agreement provides \$50,000 to manage and administer the FY2026 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), and the FY2026 Homeland Security Grant Program application process.

NCTCOG annually leads the application process for the HSGP as outlined and accepted by the Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (REPAC), the Emergency Preparedness Planning Council (EPPC), and the Executive Board. NCTCOG also provides HSGP technical assistance to local sub-grantees, including grant rules, regulations, guidance, grant application workshops, preparation / submission of applications, and the web-based grant management system.

#### **Criminal Justice Program:**

The Interlocal Cooperation Agreement provides \$218,472.09 to provide criminal justice planning and coordination activities for the following OOG justice-related grant categories: Criminal Justice Program, General Victim Assistance Program, Juvenile Justice Program, Truancy Prevention Program, and Violence Against Women Justice and Training Program.

NCTCOG oversees the annual Criminal Justice grant application process in accordance with policies approved by the Criminal Justice Policy Development Committee (CJPDC) and the Executive Board. NCTCOG also provides technical assistance to public and private agencies for the development and implementation of criminal justice projects, grant application workshops, preparation of grant applications, and grant management.

A resolution endorsing the FY2026 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Office of the Governor for Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) and Criminal Justice Division (CJD) services in the approximate total amount of \$270,000 is attached for Executive Board consideration.

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

Exhibit: 2025-09-07-CJ

### RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FY2026 INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE

**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 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 is responsible for coordinating and facilitating regional criminal justice planning and the criminal justice grant application process; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Governor's Public Safety Office (PSO) executed a single agreement with NCTCOG for FY2026 Criminal Justice Division (CJD) and Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) activities; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of Governor funds, the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board endorses the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (ILA) between NCTCOG and the Office of the Governor to (1) manage and administer the Homeland Security Grant Program in an approximate amount of \$50,000 and (2) provide Criminal Justice planning and coordination activities in an approximate amount of \$218,472.09, for a total approximate amount of \$270,000.
- **Section 2.** The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to apply for, accept, execute, reject, alter, or terminate the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement 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.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments adopted this resolution on September 25, 2025.

### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

Item 8

Exhibit: 2025-09-08-EP

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Maribel Martinez

**Director of Emergency Preparedness** 

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the FEMA GY2025 Homeland Security Grant

Program (HSGP) Grant Funds

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) wishes to continue to assist the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division (OOG) and the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) in administering the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) and providing planning assistance for the region and urban area.

This funding is a part of the FEMA GY2025 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Appropriations Act. The DHS Homeland Security Grant Program includes provisions for funding assistance to NCTCOG to provide planning, equipment, training, and exercise assistance to local governments and first responders throughout the region. Funds will be used to fill gaps between needs and existing capabilities pertaining to prevention, protection, response, and recovery activities. The federal performance period for projects under this FEMA GY2025 HSGP grant program is September 1, 2025, to August 31, 2028.

Current Projects to be funded under FEMA GY2025 HSGP are:

- 2945611 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Regional Planning
- 5398101 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Public Education Program Enhancement (Sustain KnoWhat2Do website and Public Service Announcement on outdoor warning sirens)
- 5443201 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Special Event After Action Review (Emergency Management component)
- 5491201 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Special Event After Action Review (Law Enforcement component)
- 5482001 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Emergency Management Training & Exercise Program
- 5484001 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Training
- 5484101 2025 SHSP NCTCOG Community Preparedness Programs (Exercise supply kits)
- 2984211 2025 UASI NCTCOG Planning

NCTCOG will also receive up to an additional \$45,000 through an interlocal agreement with the City of Dallas to assist UASI jurisdictions with grant management and administrative tasks associated with the UASI Grant Program. NCTCOG facilitates the UASI grant application process every year by collecting grant applications, writing investment justifications, submitting the investment justifications into the federal grant portal, facilitating stakeholder questions, assisting with audits, monitoring visits, grant close out activities, and reallocation of funds, as well that threat and hazard identification and critical infrastructure protection activities.

In addition to the above funds received, NCTCOG has also executed an interlocal agreement with the OOG in the amount of \$50,000. Responsibilities include serving as a liaison between our regional stakeholders and the OOG to assist in distributing information, accepting, scoring, prioritizing, and submitting projects to the state as well as other grant management requirements.

A draft resolution authorizing acceptance of approximately \$2,000,000 in FEMA GY2025 Homeland Security Grant funds. The grant program is 100% federally funded with no local cost-share or match requirements.

Staff will be present at the meeting to address any questions prior to requesting Board approval.

Exhibit: 2025-09-08-EP

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE FEMA GY2025 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) GRANT 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 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 GY2025 Homeland Security Grant Program activities; and,

**WHEREAS,** NCTCOG agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of Governor funds, the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to receive approximately \$2,000,000 in GY2025 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds (UASI and SHSP combined) to provide planning, equipment, training, and exercise assistance to local governments and first responders throughout the region.
- Section 2. NCTCOG is authorized to execute an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) in the amount of \$45,000 with the City of Dallas to assist UASI jurisdictions with grant management and administrative tasks associated with the UASI Grant Program.
- Section 3. The Executive Director or his 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 4.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments adopted this resolution on September 25, 2025.



### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

Item 9

Exhibit: 2025-09-09-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing an Agreement for the Receipt of Funding and

Execution of a Contract with Carma Technology Corporation for Software Integration with the Texas Department of Transportation Managed Lane Toll

System Upgrades

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is upgrading the toll collection software on the managed lanes that are not part of the P3 agreements. The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) has adopted a Managed Lane policy to provide a 50 percent discount during peak-travel periods for High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) users on the managed lane system. Since February 2020, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has had a partnership with TxDOT, the North Texas Tollway Authority and Lyndon B. Johnson/North Tarrant Express to provide the HOV discount. This requires multiple software systems to be integrated and as system improvements are implemented, software updates are required by partner agencies. TxDOT is planning to update the Interstate Highway 35 East tolling software over the next several months with a plan to update all TxDOT-operated managed lane tolling systems through 2027. This update requires adjustments to the GoCarma system that verifies the number of occupants in the vehicles to provide the 50 percent discount. This change will require GoCarma to operate on two systems simultaneously. This project will be funded in \$250,000 in RTC Local funds to cover the one-time cost of the initial setup and \$1,000,000 in Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) funding to pay for the Software as a Service fee for gantry support to maintain the existing and new system through 2030. This is a sole source contract as Carma is the only entity that can modify its proprietary software systems.

A draft resolution authorizing an agreement for receipt of RTR funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 and execution of a contract with Carma Technology Corporation for Software Integration for an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000 attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

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Exhibit: 2025-09-09-TR

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE RECEIPT OF FUNDING AND EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH CARMA TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION FOR SOFTWARE INTEGRATION WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MANAGED LANE TOLL SYSTEM UPGRADES

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

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

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

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

**WHEREAS**, Subtask 3.07 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program provides for a Managed Lane Technology Assessment including the implementation and integration of technology to verify occupancy on the transportation system and monitoring of the effectiveness of the technology; and,

**WHEREAS**, Subtask 3.07 of the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program provides for a Managed Lane Technology Assessment including the implementation and integration of technology to verify occupancy on the transportation system and monitoring of the effectiveness of the technology; and,

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2025, the RTC authorized \$250,000 in RTC Local funds and the programming of \$1,000,000 in Regional Toll Revenue funds for software integration with the Texas Department of Transportation Managed Lane Toll System Update related to planning and implementation programs to be administered and managed by NCTCOG; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG complied with all federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to receive Regional Toll Revenue funds in the amount of approximately \$1,000,000 for software integration with the Texas Department of Transportation Managed Lane Toll System Update.

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<u>Section 2.</u> The Executive Board accepts the fiduciary responsibility to administer the planning and implementation programs carried out with these funds.

Section 3. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the project specified in Section 1.

Section 4. NCTCOG is authorized to expend funds for the project and in the amount specified in Section 1. NCTCOG is responsible for 100 percent of project costs in excess of the authorized regional funding amount for the project in Section 1.

A contract between NCTCOG and Carma Technology Corporation for Software Integration with the Texas Department of Transportation Managed Lane Toll System Upgrades in an amount not to exceed \$1,250,000 (\$1,000,000 RTR funds identified in Section 1 and \$250,000 in RTC Local funds) be and is hereby approved.

**Section 6.** These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program.

Section 7. The Executive Director or his 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 8.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Exhibit: 2025-09-10-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with STAR Transit for On-Demand

Transit Service in the Southern Dallas Inland Port

In December 2018, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved funding to create the Southern Dallas Inland Port Transportation Management Association (IPTMA) to reduce congestion and single occupancy trips. As a result, the IPTMA, in partnership with Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) and STAR Transit, began to provide on-demand microtransit service in 2020 to connect local workforce with employment opportunities across the Inland Port. The region was awarded \$8,218, 080 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant funding. The Federal Transit Administration determined the \$1.5 million in transit operations cost is not an eligible expense under FY2021 RAISE grant activities. The RTC authorized new funding for this project on March 13, 2025, which included \$750,000 in Regional Toll Revenue funds to serve as local match to \$750,000 in existing operating assistance Section 5307 Federal Transit Administration funds. The same project is being implemented. The source of revenue has been replaced. A presentation slide is attached.

Staff is requesting Executive Board approval, in its role as RTC's fiscal agent, to enter into an agreement with STAR Transit in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million total (\$750,000 Section 5307 Federal Transit Administration funds and \$750,000 Regional Toll Revenue funds) for the operation of dedicated transit vehicles and support services in the Southern Dallas Inland Port.

A draft resolution authorizing the execution of the necessary funding agreement with STAR Transit 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

Exhibit: 2025-09-10-TR

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH STAR TRANSIT FOR ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE IN THE SOUTHERN DALLAS INLAND PORT

- **WHEREAS**, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and nonprofit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by, and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) serves as the MPO Policy Committee, comprised primarily of local elected officials, and is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG is a Designated Recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Urbanized Area Formula Program funds in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Urbanized Area, as delegated by the Governor of the State of Texas; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 3.05 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 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 Urbanized Area with responsibilities of administration, grant management, and compliance for FTA formula programs; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 3.05 of the FY2026 and FY2027 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 Urbanized Area with responsibilities of administration, grant management, and compliance for FTA formula programs; and,
- **WHEREAS,** on March 13, 2025, the RTC awarded \$750,000 in Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) funds to STAR Transit as proposed local match to \$750,000 in existing operating assistance Section 5307 Federal Transit Administration funds; and,
- **WHEREAS**, STAR Transit is a public transportation provider in Dallas County for areas outside of current transit authority boundaries; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the RTC has approved for inclusion into the Transportation Improvement Program/Statewide Transportation Improvement Program projects for local public transit providers operating services in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Urbanized Area for implementation of transit projects through coordination with NCTCOG as the federal grantee.

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### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

**Section 1.** An agreement between NCTCOG and STAR Transit in an amount not to

exceed \$1.5 million total (\$750,000 Section 5307 Federal Transit

Administration funds and \$750,000 Regional Toll Revenue funds) for the operation of dedicated transit vehicles and support services in the Southern

Dallas Inland Port, be and is hereby approved.

**Section 2.** The Executive Director or his 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.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Exhibit: 2025-09-10-TR Attachment

## Southern Dallas Inland Port Transit Request

Amount: Federal portion of \$750,000 will be covered with STAR Transit's

existing operating assistance funds. Local match, not to exceed

\$750,000 in Regional Toll Revenue funds to be requested.

What: One-time funding to fulfill regional commitments from FY21

**RAISE Grant** 

When: 3 years after bridge funding is expended

How: To be provided to STAR Transit to match existing Section 5307

Urbanized Area Program funds for operating costs related to on-

demand service in DeSoto, Lancaster, Hutchins, and Wilmer.

Future: Cities to coordinate with Southern Dallas County Local

Government Corporation (LGC) or contract directly with a public

transit provider.



Exhibit: 2025-09-11-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Regional Transportation Council Local Funding for

Land Use, Transit Station Development, and Active Transportation Initiatives

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) Transportation Department has been implementing the Land Use/Transportation and Bike/Pedestrian Program for multiple years under the direction of the Regional Transportation Council (RTC). This program funds NCTCOG staff planning and implementation activities for active transportation projects, including bike and school safety initiatives. Staff efforts also include advancement of transitoriented development initiatives, parking, and other projects within the intersection of land use and transportation needs. This program is funded with federal Surface Transportation Block Grant funds through agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

The current authorized funding is nearing full expenditure and NCTCOG staff is working with TxDOT to secure additional programmed funding for continuation of priority initiatives. A new funding agreement has been executed; however, to begin spending funding, the project must also receive federal authorization from the Federal Highway Administration. The timeline for receipt of federal authorization is unknown and interim funding may be needed to ensure continuation of priority initiatives. At its September 11, 2025, meeting, the RTC approved \$400,000 in RTC Local funds to support staff activities for this program until new funding authorization is received.

A draft resolution authorizing the use of \$400,000 in RTC Local transitional funding for the RTC's Land Use/Transportation and Bike/Pedestrian Initiatives Program is attached for Executive Board consideration, in its role as the RTC's fiscal agent. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

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Exhibit: 2025-09-11-TR

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL LOCAL FUNDING FOR LAND USE, TRANSIT STATION DEVELOPMENT, AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES

**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) serves as the MPO policy committee, comprised primarily of local elected officials, and is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

**WHEREAS,** Subtask 5.03 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes the planning and implementation of sustainable development initiatives, transit-oriented development, bicycle/pedestrian planning, safety, and engineering initiatives; and,

**WHEREAS,** Subtask 5.03 of the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes the planning and implementation of sustainable development initiatives, transit-oriented development, bicycle/pedestrian planning, safety, school siting, economic development, and parking management; and,

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2025, the Regional Transportation Council approved \$400,000 in RTC Local transitional funds to ensure continuation of staff activities for the Land Use/Transportation and Bike/Pedestrian Initiatives Program.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Regional Transportation Council Local funds in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 are authorized as transitional funding to ensure continuation of staff activities for the RTC's Land Use/Transportation and Bike/Pedestrian Initiatives Program.

- Section 2. These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program.
- Section 3. The Executive Director or his 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.

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-12-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Cleburne for

Safety-Related Roadway Improvements to US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway

A new Amazon facility is under construction at US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway. Johnson County requested that the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) review safer options than the originally proposed/planned signal, which would be located too close to the highway intersection thereby causing significant truck/car conflicts. As a result, Johnson County, the City of Cleburne, Texas Department of Transportation, North Texas Tollway Authority, NCTCOG, and Amazon developed a proposed improvement that expedites the permanent access for anticipated truck traffic. Additional details are provided in the attached presentation slides.

At its September 11, 2025, meeting the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approved up to \$3 million in RTC Local funding for roadway improvements for the project. The cost of the permanent improvement is approximately \$2,362,000. The RTC will pay \$362,000 towards the project as a grant and provide a loan to the City of Cleburne for up to \$2,000,000. The City and Amazon will build the permanent improvement. In its role as RTC's fiscal agent, Executive Board approval will be requested to authorize an agreement with the City of Cleburne to carry out this RTC initiative. The terms of the agreement will be full repayment of the \$2,000,000 loan at 2.4% interest for a term not to exceed ten years. Flexibility will be given to the City of Cleburne in determining when the first payment will be repaid to the RTC.

A draft resolution authorizing an agreement with the City of Cleburne for an amount not to exceed \$2,362,000 in funding with a repayment of \$2,000,000 in funds to be repaid by the City of Cleburne 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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Exhibit: 2025-09-12-TR

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CLEBURNE FOR SAFETY-RELATED ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO US 67 AND CHISHOLM TRAIL PARKWAY

**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) serves as the MPO Policy Committee, comprised primarily of local elected officials, and is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2025, the RTC approved a funding partnership to allocate up to \$3 million in RTC Local funding for roadway improvements near US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway with a regional funding commitment of \$362,000 to the project and the balance of \$2,638,000 as a loan to be returned by the City of Cleburne to the RTC through NCTCOG; 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 Cleburne for the provision of governmental functions and services of mutual interest.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1.	An Interlocal Agreement between NCTCOG and the City of Cleburne for a
·	roadway improvement near US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway for an
	amount not to exceed \$2,362,000, be and is hereby approved. The City of
	Cleburne will repay \$2,000,000 to NCTCOG, as RTC's fiscal agent.

- **Section 2.** NCTCOG is authorized to receive payments from the City of Cleburne under the Interlocal Agreement authorized in Section 1.
- **Section 3.** These funds shall be incorporated into the appropriate fiscal year budgets and Unified Planning Work Program.
- Section 4. The Executive Director or his 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.

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-12-TR Attachment

### **BACKGROUND**

- A new Amazon facility is under construction at the intersection where US 67 and Chisholm Trail Parkway (CTP) meet
- Amazon and the City of Cleburne have been working with the Texas Department of Transportation and the North Texas Tollway Authority on the best interface with US 67 and CTP
- Johnson County and TxDOT flagged that the proposed interface will likely cause significant congestion and safety concerns
- North Central Texas Council of Governments pulled the parties together to develop a safer interface



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# PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT OPTIONS

- Original improvement was a proposed traffic signal less than 300 ft from US 67 frontage road intersection
- Discussed directing trucks to a temporary improvement
- Funding for a permanent solution was approved by the RTC







NCTCOG Presentation



Exhibit: 2025-09-13-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Genesis Environmental Group, LLC to

Conduct National Environmental Policy Act Assistance

In May 2025, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) initiated procurement for a provider of specialty National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) assistance for hazardous materials and historical resources work, and Genesis Environmental Group, LLC was selected to provide this service. The NCTCOG Transportation Department is implementing grants received through the US Department of Defense (DOD) Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation for the Community Noise Mitigation Program. This project will replace windows and doors in school district buildings near Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth. As part of this project, an environmental review under the NEPA must be conducted. Transportation Department staff can complete a majority of this environmental review but require external consultant expertise with hazardous materials and historic resources portions of the review. This activity is included in the Unified Planning Work Program under Subtask 5.09 Regional Military and Community Coordination and is funded through Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds, which will serve as part of the local match for the DOD grant.

NCTCOG utilized the General Services Administration (GSA) Cooperative Purchasing Program to identify initiated a procurement for a provider of these specialty NEPA expertise services. On May 8, 2025, NCTCOG requested a scope of services and pricing estimate from firms who provide NEPA expertise. Two firms responded, and a consultant selection committee determined that the proposal submitted by Genesis Environmental Group, LLC best met the needs of the project. In its role as the RTC's fiscal agent, Executive Board approval will be requested to enter into a contract with Genesis Environmental Group, LLC to perform the requested services in an amount not to exceed \$80,000. Genesis Environmental Group, LLC expects to use a subcontractor, Integrated Environmental Services, to perform the historical resources portion of the work. The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation for this project is anticipated to be 100 percent.

A draft resolution authorizing a contract with Genesis Environmental Group, LLC to provide specialty NEPA services in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 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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Exhibit: 2025-09-13-TR

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH GENESIS ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC TO CONDUCT NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT ASSISTANCE

- **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) serves as the MPO Policy Committee, comprised primarily of local elected officials, and is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be the forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the Dallas-Fort Worth region contains several military installations that significantly contribute to the regional economy; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 5.09 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes regional military and community planning and implementation activities; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 5.09 of the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program for Regional Transportation Planning includes regional military and community planning and implementation activities; and,
- **WHEREAS**, NCTCOG has received a grant from the Department of Defense Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation for the Community Noise Mitigation Program; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the Department of Defense Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation has issued a Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Community Noise Mitigation Program; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Genesis Environmental Group, LLC is available on the General Services Administration (GSA) Cooperative Purchasing Program.; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

A contract between NCTCOG and Genesis Environmental Group, LLC to conduct NEPA assistance in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 is hereby approved.

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**Section 2.** The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute a contract

with Genesis Environmental Group, LLC 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.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County



Exhibit: 2025-09-14-ED

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM

Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Grant Proposal to the State Energy Conservation Office

Regional Energy Management Program

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) has been performing regional energy management work for the past seven years under contract to the Texas State Energy Conservation Office (SECO). The work is being implemented collaboratively by the NCTCOG Transportation, and Environment & Development Departments. In May 2025, the NCTCOG staff were asked to develop the scope and budget to extend these funding initiatives through FY 2026. The Comprehensive E&D Budget as provided to the Executive Board in July 2025 included these funds as anticipated. Upon providing this information to the SECO, staff were informed that there was \$250,000 available to extend this program another year, however, staff will need to formally apply for these grant funds for FY 2026 through a Request for Proposals.

The SECO opened a Request for Proposals opportunity for Councils of Governments on August 25, 2025. Responses are due to SECO on September 26, 2025. Staff requests authorization from the Executive Board to apply for SECO Grant funding in the amount of \$250,000 for fiscal year 2026, to accept these funds for their intended purpose, and to authorize local matching funds to supplement authorizing funding initiatives for the Transportation and Environment and Development Departments.

The scope of work includes efforts to advance energy efficiency, energy conservation, and sustainability efforts in the region, which help to improve air quality and enhance grid reliability. Specifically, efforts include the development of a regional needs survey to guide priorities for creating program resources, developing and hosting educational workshops and webinars on key initiatives, providing outreach at community events, , providing outreach to local governments regarding energy/water reporting required under Texas Health and Safety Code law, expanding partnerships with stakeholders throughout the region and state, seeking additional funding from other sources that advance energy and water management strategies, and maintaining websites that host resources for the public and local governments. NCTCOG will continue to divide the work between the Transportation and Environment & Development Departments. The anticipated federal award of \$250,000 through SECO requires local matching funds of only 10% or \$25,000. Both the award and match will be shared equally between the two departments. However, in accordance with direction issued by the Department of Energy on June 30, 2025, the SECO is limiting allowable reimbursement for indirect and direct fringe costs to 10% of the total grant. This limits reimbursable NCTCOG expenses for indirect and direct fringe costs to only \$25,000. The remaining expenses in this category will also need to be paid by NCTCOG and cannot be counted as match; this amount is estimated to be up to \$120,000. Between the required match and the funds needed to pay disallowed indirect and direct fringe costs, the total amount of nonfederal funds that NCTCOG will need to contribute to this award is up to \$145,000.

Match will be provided through a combination of Regional Integration of Sustainability Efforts (RISE) Coalition and other locally-funded department programs and RTC Local funds. RTC Local funds will be used to pay for disallowed fringe and indirect costs. Use of RTC Local funds for this project was approved by the RTC in June 2025.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Exhibit: 2025-09-14-ED

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT PROPOSAL TO THE STATE ENERGY CONSERVATION OFFICE REGIONAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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

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

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

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

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the State Energy Conservation Office has issued a Request for Proposals inviting Councils of Government to provide Regional Energy Management Assistance for the Regional Energy Management Program, offering up to \$750,000 for up to three recipient Councils of Government; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG has been implementing work consistent with the requested scope under contract with the SECO for the past seven years, and desires to continue this program; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG seeks to pursue available funding in the amount of \$250,000 in Department of Energy Funding to continue Regional Energy Management Program work through fiscal year 2026, and provide required non-federal matching funds from various sources.

### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee to apply for, and upon award, accept available grant funding in the amount of \$250,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy through the Texas State Energy Conservation Office.

The NCTCOG Executive Board authorizes use of funds totaling up to \$145,000 in Regional Integration of Sustainability Efforts (RISE) Coalition, other locally-funded Environment and Development department programs, and Regional Transportation Council Local funds, as non-federal match.

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

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

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-15-ED

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM

Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Highland Economics to Support Upper Trinity

River Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project (TSI)

This item requests Executive Board authorization to execute a contract with Highland Economics to provide environmental economic services to support the Upper Trinity River Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project (TSI).

On June 13, 2025, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit consultant assistance to support the TSI Project by providing environmental economics services. One firm submitted a proposal in response to the RFP. The Consultant Selection Committee deemed this proposal to be responsive to the RFP and did not recommend interviews. The Consultant Selection Committee has recommended Highland Economics for this project.

Local governments' decision-making to implement flood mitigation strategies will benefit from cost-benefit tools and standard operating procedures that will be developed by Highland Economics. This work will produce economic analyses to support three Flood Mitigation Projects (infrastructure improvements) as developed through the work in the TSI project which will be ready to submit for funding through the Texas Water Development Board's (TWDB) Flood Infrastructure Fund. The TWDB application process requires an economic analysis of each Flood Mitigation Project as proposed to be included into the Texas Water Fund for project resources.

A draft resolution authorizing a consultant contract with Highland Economics to support the Upper Trinity River Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project by providing environmental economics services in an amount not to exceed \$172,750 is attached for Executive Board consideration. The project will be funded with funds from Texas Water Development Board.

I will be available to answer questions from the Board.

Exhibit: 2025-09-15-ED

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH HIGHLAND ECONOMICS TO SUPPORT UPPER TRINITY RIVER TRANSPORTATION AND STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT (TSI)

**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 active for the last 50 years in promoting sound floodplain and watershed management; and,

**WHEREAS**, NCTCOG issued a Request for Proposals for environmental economics services on June 13, 2025, to receive qualified responses from consulting firms to assist with environmental economics analyses in support of the Upper Trinity River Transportation and Stormwater Infrastructure Project (TSI); and,

**WHEREAS,** following evaluation, the Evaluation Committee is recommending Highland Economics, LLC, to perform these services; 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 Highland Economics, LLC, for environmental economic services, in an amount not to exceed \$172,750, be and is hereby approved.
- Section 2. The Executive Director or his designee is authorized to execute necessary agreements to carry out the initiatives described herein, in the name of the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- **Section 3.** This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that the resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-16-ED

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Susan Alvarez, P.E., CFM

Director of Environment and Development

Item Title: Appointments to Department of Environment and Development Advisory Committees

The Executive Board is being asked to consider appointments to the following advisory Councils and Committees:

- Public Works Council (PWC) Originating in 1977 as the Standard Specifications Advisory
  Committee, becoming the Public Works Advisory Committee in 1984, and evolving into the PWC
  in 2001, the PWC is comprised of public and private sector professionals with public works and
  development expertise. The current PWC structure is formed of representatives of large
  jurisdictions and subregions, providing for participation by all jurisdictions, and hosting
  subregional meetings to address local issues.
- Regional Codes Coordinating Committee (RCCC) The RCCC was established by the
  Executive Board in 1967, and is comprised of local government officials, architects, engineers,
  contractors, educators, property management professionals, insurance representatives, builders
  and developers. The RCCC professionals research current codes and provide recommendations
  on municipal construction codes to coordinate consistent local codes.
- Resource Conservation Council (RCC) The RCC was initiated in 1973 as the regional Solid Waste Policy Development Committee, then shifted to the Environmental Resources Advisory Committee in 1979. In this mid-1980's, this Committee evolved into the current RCC as a group of individuals from local government, private sector, and environmental and public interest groups. The RCC guides development and implementation of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan, implements pass-thru solid waste grant funding, and advises on methods to reduce, reuse, and recycle resources and to appropriately managing other waste materials.
- Water Resources Council (WRC) NCTCOG is the state appointed regional water planning agency. The WRC was established in 1979 to advise NCTCOG's Executive Board on both technical and policy issues related to water resources matters. The WRC is formed of representatives of the local water utilities as well as large- and small member cities. The WRC reviews day-to-day technical issues; oversees the water resources planning process; and performs technical review of water-related grant applications.

Attachment 1 provides a listing of members recommended for appointment/reappointment by each respective Committee/Council, as well as continuing members. I look forward to discussing these recommendations with the Executive Board.

Exhibit: 2025-09-16-ED Attachment 1, Page 1

### **PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL**

(Chair and Vice Chair leadership positions are one-year terms; members serve two-year terms)

Chair: Glenn Barker Vice Chair: Bennett Howell

Director of Public Works Director of Public Services

City of Corinth City of Benbrook

Public Sector Standing Member	2026, Public Works Council	
City of Arlington	Scarlett Dinh Project Engineer	
City of Arlington	Sidney Kelly Assistant Director - Operations	
City of Carrollton	Jody Byerly Director of Public Works**	
City of Dallas	Ahmed Alqaisi Assistant City Engineer**	
City of Dallas	Raheel Kahn Senior Engineer (Dallas Water Utilities)**	
City of Denton	Michael Linder Senior Engineer – Floodplain Administrator**	
City of Fort Worth	Michael Owen City Engineer	
City of Fort Worth	Teanna Thompson Senior Capital Projects Officer**	
City of Frisco	Dane Stovall Assistant Director of Public Works**	
City of Garland	Mike Rozelle Senior Field Engineer**	
City of Grand Prairie	Lane Cheek Utility Operations Manager	
City of Irving	Walter Thomas City Engineer**	
City of Lewisville	Aaron Russell Director of Public Services	
City of McKinney	Ryan Gillingham Director of Public Works	
City of Mesquite	Victor Hou Assistant City Engineer	
City of Plano	Erik Ferner Public Works Operations Manager – Streets and Traffic**	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

Public Sector Standing Member	2026, Public Works Council
Citardson	Eric Robison Public Services Director**
Collin County	Wayne Anderson Road and Bridge Superintendent**
Dallas County	Cecelia Rutherford Assistant Director**
Denton County	Stephen Belknap Director of Development Services**
Tarrant County	Joseph Jackson County Engineer / Assistant Director

Public Sector Subregional Representative	2026, Public Works Council
Denton/Lake Cities	Glenn Barker Director of Public Works City of Corinth**
DFW North	Brian Waltenburg Director of Public Works Town of Flower Mound
East	Chris Harris Director of Public Works City of Greenville**
Mid-Cities	Boe Blankenship Director of Public Works City of North Richland Hills**
Northeast	Andrew Figueroa Director of Public Works City of Celina**
Northeast Dallas	Frank New County Judge Rockwall County**
Northeast Tarrant	Keith Miertschin Assistant Director of Operations City of Grapevine
Northwest	Dillon Luna Management Analyst Town of Northlake**
Northwest Dallas	Eric Mueller Stormwater Engineer City of Farmers Branch

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

Public Sector Subregional Representative	2026, Public Works Council
Northwest Tarrant	Rick White Director of Public Services City of Azle
South Tarrant	Bennett Howell Director of Public Services City of Benbrook
Southeast	James Gaertner Executive Director of Public Works and Utilities City of Waxahachie
Southeast Dallas	Brooks Williams City Manager City of Ferris**
Southwest	Colt Friedrich County Engineer Johnson County**
Southwest Dallas	Robert Woodbury City Engineer City of Cedar Hill**
West	Matt Leppla Director of Public Works City of Weatherford**

Private Sector	2026, Public Works Council
Associated General Contractors	Chris Rowland Sales and Marketing Director AmeriTex Pipe and Products
Associated General Contractors	Sam Davis North Texas Regional Director Texas Asphalt Pavement Association
Council of Engineering Companies	Ali Hatefi Director, Public Works Halff Associates
Council of Engineering Companies	Daphne King Division Manager AtkinsRealis
Texas Council of Engineering Laboratories / GeoProfessionals	Reece Taylor Director / Senior Engineer Braun Intertec**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

### REGIONAL CODES COORDINATING COMMITTEE (RCCC)

(Chair and Vice Chair leadership positions are one-year terms; members serve two-year terms)

Chair: David Kerr Vice Chair: Selso Mata

Fire Marshal Chief Building Official

City of Melissa City of Plano

RCCC Member	2025	2026
City of Arlington	Rick Ripley Building Official	**
City of Burleson	New seat for 2026, was City of Dallas	Dylan Whitehead Deputy Director of Development Services
City of Carrollton	Brett King Chief Building Official	Brett King Chief Building Official
City of Cedar Hill	Gail Lux Building Official	Gail Lux Building Official
City of Dallas	Little David Session Building Official	See City of Burleson
City of Dallas	Lt. Dwight Freeman Dallas Fire-Rescue	Lt. Dwight Freeman Dallas Fire-Rescue
City of Euless	Previously City of North Richland Hills	David Pendley Chief Building Official
City of Fort Worth	Evan Roberts Building Official/Assistant Director	**
City of Fort Worth	Bob Morgan Senior Fire Protection Engineer	**
City of Frisco	Philip Climer Assistant Building Official	See City of Sachse
City of Irving	Wayne K. Snell, Jr. Director of Inspections	Wayne K. Snell, Jr. Director of Inspections
City of Lewisville	Jeremy Booker Building Official	Jeremy Booker Building Official
City of McKinney	Suzanne Arnold Chief Building Official	**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

RCCC Member	2025	2026
City of Melissa	David Kerr	**
	Fire Marshal	
City of North Richland Hills	David Pendley	See City of Euless
	Chief Building Official	
City of Pilot Point	Zac Loiselle	**
	Building Official	
City of Plano	Selso Mata	Selso Mata
	Chief Building Official	Chief Building Official
City of Rockwall	Jeffrey Widmer	Jeffrey Widmer
	Chief Building Official	Chief Building Official
City of Sachse	New seat for 2026, was City of	Michael Sizemore
	Frisco	Building Official
Town of Flower Mound	Joelle Hainley	Joelle Hainley
	Building Official	Building Official
Town of Prosper	Brady Cudd	**
	Building Official	
Associated General Contractors	Jack Baxley	Jack Baxley
	Vice President of	Vice President of
	Governmental Affairs	Governmental Affairs
	TEXO	TEXO
Private Sector Representative	Craig Brooks	**
	National Dir., SF Services	
	Burgess Construction	
	Consultants	**
Private Sector Representative	Dan Lepinski, P.E.	**
	Principal	**
American Institute of Architects,	Bruce Rachel	**
East	Architect	
	Hensley Lamkin Rachel, Inc.	0, 5,
Construction Code Consultant	Stan Folsom	Stan Folsom
	Executive Director	Executive Director
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Society of Fire Protection	James Rodriguez	
Engineers	Executive Vice President	
	Fox Energy Specialists Greater Fort Worth Builders	
	Association	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

RCCC Member	2025	2026
Energy Specialist	Bahman Yazdani	**
	Associate Director	
	Texas A&M Energy Systems	
	Laboratory	
Dallas Builders Association	David Lehde	**
	Director of Government Affairs	
	Dallas Builders Association	
Private Sector Representative	Robert Pegues	Robert Pegues
	QA Manager & Project Manager	QA Manager & Project Manager
	US Ecologic	US Ecologic
Building Owners and Managers	Warren Bonisch	Warren Bonisch
Association, Dallas	Associate Principal	Associate Principal
	WJE & Associates, Inc.	WJE & Associates, Inc.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

RESOURCE CONSERVATION COUNCIL (RCC) (Chair and Vice Chair leadership positions are one-year terms; members serve two-year terms)

Chair: Kathy Fonville Vice Chair: Howard Redfearn

Public Education Manager **Environmental Manager** 

North Texas Municipal Water District City of Mansfield

RCC Public Sector Member	2025	2026
City of Allen	Donna Giles Commercial Waste Services Specialist	Donna Giles Commercial Waste Services Specialist
City of Arlington	Tyler Hurd Solid Waste and Recycling Services Manager	Tyler Hurd Solid Waste and Recycling Services Manager
City of Cedar Hill	Lauren Foust Environmental Manager (interim for Duy Vu)	Lauren Foust Environmental Manager
City of Dallas	Anthony O'Sullivan Superintendent, Transfer Stations & Disposal Fleet	**
City of Denton	Ami Reeder Regulatory Compliance Manager	Ami Reeder Regulatory Compliance Manager
City of Fort Worth	Cody Whittenburg Environmental Services Director	**
City of Frisco	Jeremy Starritt Assistant Director of Public Works / Environmental Services & Sustainability	**
City of Garland	Chris Hoofnagle Landfill Director	**
City of Grand Prairie	Patricia Redfearn Solid Waste Manager	**
City of Grapevine	Dewey Stoffels Environmental Manager	**
City of Irving	Duy Vu Environmental Compliance Manager	**
City of Lewisville	Tim Yatko Materials Management Specialist	Vacant
City of Mansfield	Howard Redfearn Environmental Manager	**
City of McKinney	Eric Hopes Environmental Services Division Manager	Eric Hopes Senior Environmental Services Manager

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

RCC Public Sector Member	2025	2026
City of Plano	Lenna Smith Sustainability and Environmental Education Supervisor (interim for Frances Adams)	Micheal Thibodeaux Senior Waste Reduction Coordinator
City of Weatherford	Dustin Deel Director of Municipal and Community Services	Eric Shumar Director of Municipal and Community Services
Dallas County	Michael Barber Assistant Fire Marshal	**
Hood County	Rick Crownover Director of Public Works City of Granbury	**
Johnson County	New seat for 2026	Colt Friedrich County Engineer
Kaufman County	Pam Corder Project Manager	**
Rockwall County	New seat for 2026	Charisa Hauser Environmental Health Coordinator
Tarrant County	Maria Moreno Environmental Specialist	**

RCC - Other	2025	2026
Educational	Dr. Arpita Bhatt Associate Professor of Instruction University of Texas at Arlington	**
Environmental	Cecile Carson KAB Affiliates Representative Keep America Beautiful	**
Environmental	Grant Rodriguez-Amlani U.S. Recycling Pact Manager, Environmental Justice & Recruitment	Wendy Chance Procurement Representative Pratt Industries (Representing the Sustainability Coalition of Texas)
Environmental	New seat for 2026	Linda Pavlik President Pavlik & Associates (Representing Women in the Environment)

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

RCC Other	2025	2026
Private Sector	Misty Adams Senior Public Affairs Specialist Waste Management	Misty Adams Senior Public Affairs Specialist Waste Management
Private Sector	John Schafer Division Vice President Waste Connections	Heather Douglas Recycling & Waste Consultant Evergreen Recycling & Disposal
Private Sector	Risa Weinberger Principal Risa Weinberger & Associates, Inc.	**
Private Sector	Lora Hinchcliff Municipal Solutions Manager Living Earth	**
Private Sector	Richard Abramowitz Owner RMA Consultants, LLC	**
Private Sector	Steve Carr Director of Municipal Services Republic Services	Steve Carr Director of Municipal Services Republic Services
Special District	Kathy Fonville Public Education Manager North Texas Municipal Water District	**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

### WATER RESOURCES COUNCIL (WRC)

(Chair and Vice Chair leadership positions are one-year terms; members serve two-year terms)

Chair: Stacy Walters Vice Chair: Rachel lckert

Regulatory Administrator
City of Fort Worth
City of Fort Worth
Chief Water Resources Officer
Tarrant Regional Water District

WRC - Major Utility Providers	2025	2026
City of Dallas	Zachary Peoples Assistant Director of Wastewater Operations	David Phan Engineering Program Administrator
City of Fort Worth	Stacy Walters Regulatory Administrator	**
North Texas Municipal Water District	Billy George Deputy Director – Water and Wastewater	Billy George Assistant General Manager - Water and Wastewater
Tarrant Regional Water District	Darrel Andrews Environmental Director	**
Trinity River Authority of Texas	Glenn Clingenpeel Executive Manager, Technical Services & Basin Planning	**
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Larry Patterson Executive Director	Larry Patterson Executive Director

WRC - Environmental/Public Interest Groups	2025	2026
Environmental Group	Grace Darling Arlington Conservation Council	Grace Darling Arlington Conservation Council
Public Interest Group	Michael Nieswiadomy Professor of Economics University of North Texas	Michael Nieswiadomy Professor of Economics University of North Texas
Public Interest Group	Meghna Tare Chief Sustainability Officer University of Texas at Arlington	Vacant by Choice of Water Resources Council

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

WRC - Major Utility Providers Customer Members-At-Large	2025	2026
City of Dallas	Sally Wright Assistant Director City of Dallas Water Utilities	**
City of Dallas	Eduardo Valerio Assistant Director Dallas Water Utilities	Nosa Irenumaagho Assistant Director Dallas Water Utilities
City of Fort Worth	Paul Hackleman Director of Public Works City of Watauga	Taylor Alvarez Utility Superintendent City of Watauga
City of Fort Worth	Jerry Pressley Assistant Director Water Department City of Fort Worth	Jerry Pressley Assistant Director Water Department City of Fort Worth
North Texas Municipal Water District	Mike Brinkmann Water Utilities Managing Director City of Garland	**
North Texas Municipal Water District	Eric Robison Director of Public Services City of Richardson	**
Tarrant Regional Water District	Rachel Ickert Chief Water Resources Officer Tarrant Regional Water District	**
Tarrant Regional Water District	Jeff Price Utilities Director City of Mansfield	Jeff Price Executive Director of Public Works City of Mansfield
Trinity River Authority	Matthew Jalbert, P.E. Executive Manager, Northern Region Trinity River Authority of Texas	**
Trinity River Authority	Vacant by Choice of TRA	Vacant by Choice of TRA
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Kevin Mercer General Manager Denton County Fresh Water Supply District 6 & 7	**
Upper Trinity Regional Water District	Tiffany Bruce Executive Director of Public Works Town of Flower Mound	Tiffany Bruce Executive Director of Public Works Town of Flower Mound

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

WRC - Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	2025	2026
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Mike Adams Executive Director of Engineering & Utilities City of Midlothian	**
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Caroline Waggoner Director of Public Works City of North Richland Hills	**
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Joshua Howard Deputy General Manager- Finance and Service Johnson County Special Utility District	Joshua Howard General Manager- Finance and Service Johnson County Special Utility District
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Tim Abbott Pumping Facilities Superintendent City of Plano	Stephanie Griffin Vice President, Director of Water Resources Halff
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Bill Gase Assistant Director-Water Utilities City of Arlington Water Utilities	Bill Gase Assistant Director-Water Utilities City of Arlington Water Utilities
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Michael Kivlan Area Manager Texas Water Utilities	Michael Kivlan Director of Operations Mustang Special Utility District
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Jason Sutton Water Quality Manager Town of Addison	**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

WRC Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	2025	2026
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Danielle Tucker CEO/President D.E.V.A. Service's	Robert Sauceda Director of Public Works City of Hurst
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Steve Pettit Assistant Water Utilities Director City of Irving	**
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Stephen Gay Director of Water Utilities City of Denton	**
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Kelly Rouse Utilities Manager City of Lewisville	Katelyn Hearon Assistant Director of Public Services City of Lewisville
Utility Provider, Development Community or Industry Representative Region-At-Large	Valerie Miller Industry Expert, Water Olsson	Valerie Miller Technical Expert, Water Olsson

<sup>\*\*</sup>Second year of two-year term that began in 2025

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Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Doni Green

Aging Program Director

Item Title: Appointment to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee (RAAC)

The Regional Aging Advisory Committee assists the North Central Texas Council of Governments, in its capacity as the Area Agency on Aging (AAA), in representing the interests of older persons. RAAC is comprised of 28 members, with two representatives from each county in the 14-county service area.

RAAC currently has five vacancies. To fill these vacancies, NCTCOG solicited nominations and/or renominations from county judges, its local subrecipients, and staff.

The following person has been nominated to serve on RAAC:

• Collin County: Henry Lessner (new appointee)

A brief outline of the Committee's responsibilities and a membership chart are attached.

We are seeking Board approval of Mr. Lessner's appointment.

Should you or the Executive Board have questions, I will be available to respond before or during the Board meeting. I may be contacted at 817-695-9193.

Thank you.

DG:ct

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#### REGIONAL AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE PRIMARY

#### PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF COMMITTEE

The Regional Aging Advisory Committee is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of NCTCOG's Executive Board. This Committee assists the Executive Board in the development and implementation of the area agency on aging plan for persons sixty years old and over in the 14 counties adjacent to Dallas and Tarrant Counties. The Committee also reviews proposals for aging services through NCTCOG's Aging Program under Title III of the Older Americans Act. This program does not serve Dallas or Tarrant Counties, which have their own Area Agencies on Aging.

#### **NUMBER OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

28

#### **TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP**

Terms of membership are based on staggered three-year terms with approximately one-third of the membership appointed each year.

#### STANDARD MEETING DATE

The Committee meets quarterly.

#### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

- The composition of the Committee, according to funding agency guidelines and Committee bylaws, should include the following.
- More than 50 percent of the Committee includes older persons, older persons with the greatest economic or social need, older minority persons and participants in programs funded by the Area Agency on Aging.
- Each of the fourteen counties served by the Area Agency is represented by two persons from each county and may include local elected and appointed officials, older citizens and representatives of older persons.
- Additional persons may serve as ex-officio members because of their special knowledge or experience with aging matters. These resource members may include representatives from the Veterans Administration, State Citizen Advisory Council, and the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

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# NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AREA AGENCY ON AGING

# PROPOSED REGIONAL AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (Terms expiring December 31 of year indicated)

COUNTY	2025	2026	2027
Collin		Dan Bollner	Henry Lessner
Denton		Vacant	Bert Simon
Ellis	Paula Baucum		Diana "Dani" Muckleroy
Erath	Dana Worrell		vacant
Hood		Debbie Temple	vacant
Hunt		Dr. Bruce Hargrave	Berniece Reeves-Brown
Johnson	Whitney Clotfelter		Dale Hannah
Kaufman	Stuart Spitzer	Pam Corder	
Navarro		Chelsea Couch	Lynda Sloan
Palo Pinto	Allan Sparkman	Dan Roberts	
Parker	Linda Authier	Kirsti Smith	
Rockwall	Karen Kiser		vacant
Somervell		Bob Miller	Pat Bruce
Wise	Debbie Bounds		Amy Pegues

All appointees appear in bold type. First-time appointees appear in shaded background.



**North Central Texas Council of Governments** 

Item 18

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Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Prit Patel

Senior Economic Development Manager

Item Title: Appointment 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 an appointment for a vacant seat 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
Matt Carlson, Director of Economic Development, City of DeSoto	Between 30,000 - 100,000 Population Category

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.

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#### **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.

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### 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:** Alex Phillips, Economic Development Director, City of Burleson
- 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: VACANT14. HOOD: VACANT15. HUNT: VACANT
- 16. **SOMERVELL:** VACANT

#### **CITIES - TOTAL OF 22 SEATS - SIX POPULATION CATEGORIES**

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

- 17. Gaby Castillo, Business Development Coordinator, City of Dallas
- 18. VACANT

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

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

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

#### <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. Kevin Holzbog, Executive Director, Decatur Economic Development Corporation
- 32. Jim Wehmeier, Chief Executive Officer, City of Princeton Economic Development Corporation/Community Development Corporation
- 33. John Knight, Assistant Director of Economic Development, City of Red Oak
- 34. Julie Pierce, President, Ennis Economic Development Corporation
- 35. Shea Hopkins, Director of Economic Development, City of Granbury
- 36. VACANT

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

- 37. Robert Sturns, Executive Director of 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

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**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, Chief Economic Development Officer, University of North Texas
- 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. Jenny Mizutowicz, Director of Economic Development and Sustainability Liaison, University of Texas at Dallas
- 44. Dr. Jana Melsheimer, Executive Director, Region 10 Education Service Center

**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

Exhibit: 2025-09-19-AA

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Randy Richardson

Director of Administration

Item Title: Conduct a Public Hearing Regarding the Annual Fiscal Program for FY 2026 and

Consider a Resolution to Approve and Adopt the Annual Fiscal Program

A public hearing regarding the FY 2026 Annual Fiscal Program will be conducted followed by consideration to approve and adopt by the Executive Board. A detailed overview of the Annual Fiscal Program was presented to the Personnel and Finance Committee as well as the Executive Board at its monthly meeting on August 28, 2025.

The program structure is similar to previous years with the following characteristics:

- Total expenditures of \$404,616,096.
- Consists of state and federal grants that fund approximately 77% of programs with the remainder being local funding.
- Fiscal controls are established by individual grants and contracts, not the plan outlined in the Annual Fiscal Program.
- Annual dues from membership comprise less than 1% of the total budget. The per capita rate has not changed.
- Authorizes the Executive Director and designees to approve and accept any funding revisions for ongoing programs as well as to approve and accept funding for new programs once approved or ratified by the Executive Board.

As in all annual fiscal programs, there is the potential to expand and contract to accommodate state and federal funding authorizations and program initiatives. Therefore, the annual fiscal program will be modified by Executive Board authorizations and amendments as needed throughout the year.

A draft resolution to approve and adopt the FY 2026 NCTCOG Annual Fiscal Program is attached for Executive Board consideration.

I will be available at the Board meeting to answer any questions.

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Exhibit: 2025-09-19-AA

### CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ANNUAL FISCAL PROGRAM FOR FY 2026 AND CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE ANNUAL FISCAL PROGRAM

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Bylaws require the approval and adoption of an annual budget by the Executive Board, and,

**WHEREAS**, the budget is funded by federal and state programs and local contracts for services requested by member governments, and,

**WHEREAS**, these individual grants and contracts control funding and expenditure amounts, and,

**WHEREAS**, the budget is comprised of programs and initiatives approved by the Executive Board and is amended throughout the year to reflect new and revised programs and initiatives, and,

**WHEREAS**, the budget has been presented to the Executive Board and a public hearing held for comments.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

- Section 1. The North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board approves and adopts the FY 2026 Annual Fiscal Program in the amount of \$404,616,096.
- Section 2. The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to receive federal, state, and local funding for FY 2026.
- **Section 3.** The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to approve and accept any and all funding revisions for ongoing programs.
- <u>Section 4.</u> The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to approve and accept funding for new programs subject to Executive Board approval or ratification.
- Section 5. The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to transfer funds between programs and line items as necessary as allowed by applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and grant requirements.
- Section 6. The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to administer and update the Council of Governments Salary Schedules for classified positions in compliance with Section 391.0117(b) of the Local Government Code.
- Section 7. The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to execute contracts for goods and services up to \$100,000 and to equip and provide facilities as allowed by applicable state and federal laws, regulations, and grant requirements.

**Section 8.** The Executive Director and his designees are authorized to execute contracts for goods and services as approved and funded by the Public Employees Benefits

Cooperative (PEBC) Board or the NCT9-1-1 Board.

**Section 9.** This resolution shall be in effect as of October 1, 2025.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

# North Central Texas Council Of Governments FY 2026 Proposed Budget

Executive Board Meeting August 28, 2025

### NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget

- Characteristics of NCTCOG budgeting and contrasts with typical local government budgeting.
  - > Funding is comprised primarily of grants and local contracts for services.
  - > Each grant is a separate contract with its own grant period and funding amount. Grants can encompass more than one fiscal year.
  - Continuously evolving as program needs change and funding opportunities become available. Additional awarded funding approved during the budget year.
  - > Scope of work, funding, and expenditure limitations are regulated by the individual grant or contract, rather than the planned program summary.
  - Majority of grants operate on a cost reimbursement basis.
  - Grant applications are pre-approved by the NCTCOG Executive Board.
  - There are three (3) primary sources of funding:
    - State and Federal Grants
    - Local Revenue
    - In-Kind Match Funds
- High inter-departmental dependency and cooperation.
  - Common objectives (i.e., environmental, air quality and transportation programs).
  - Multi-disciplinary approach (i.e., operating departments, computer services, finance and accounting teams).

#### **Orientation to the Budget Highlights**

- Funding Source Changes of Note:
  - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) (\$14.0 million increase)
  - > Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (\$10.1 million increase)
  - > Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) (\$6.1 million increase)
  - > Federal Highway Administration (FHA) (\$5.3 million increase)
  - ➤ United States Department of Defense (US DOD) (\$3.2 million increase)
  - > Texas Health & Human Services (HHS) (\$1.4 million decrease)
  - ➤ Local Revenue (\$20.3 million increase)
  - ➤ In-Kind Match Funds (\$19.2 million increase)
- Separate Entity:
  - ➤ NCT9-1-1 (\$5.1 million decrease)

Funding Sources State and Federal Grants	FY 2026 \$ 299,864,843	<u>%</u> 77.3%	FY 2025 \$ 263,554,307	<u>%</u> 83.0%	<u>Change</u> \$ 36,310,536
Local Revenue (1)	36,484,319	9.4%	16,128,620	5.1%	20,355,699
In-Kind Match Funds	35,036,304	9.0%	15,865,730	5.0%	19,170,574
Separate Entities:					
NCT9-1-1	15,085,490	3.9%	20,149,028	6.3%	(5,063,538)
PEBC (2)	1,648,486	0.4%	1,805,346	0.6%	(156,860)
Total	\$ 388,119,442	100.0%	\$ 317.503.031	100.0%	\$ 70.616.411

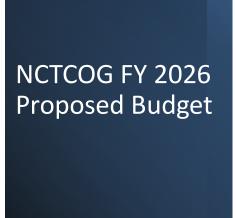
(1) Local Revenue	FY 2026	<u>%</u>	FY 2025	<u>%</u>	Change
Local Contracts	\$ 34,406,512	8.9%	\$ 14,298,623	4.5%	\$ 20,107,889
Membership Dues	854,423	0.2%	831,697	0.3%	22,726
Training Revenues	1,223,384	0.3%	998,300	0.3%	225,084
Total	\$ 36,484,319	9.4%	\$ 16,128,620	5.1%	\$ 20,355,699

<sup>(2)</sup> Public Employee Benefits Cooperative

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State and Federal Grants							
STATE	FY 2026	% of Total Funding	FY 2025		_	Change	
Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)	\$ 148,242,266	38.19%	\$	142,177,416	\$	6,064,85	
Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)	63,069,854	16.25%		63,713,264		(643,41	
Texas Health & Human Services (HHS)	10,297,901	2.65%		11,692,148		(1,394,24	
Governor's Office (OOG)	3,214,061	0.83%		2,908,345		305,7	
Texas Water Development Board (TWDB)	1,299,633	0.33%		1,506,658		(207,02	
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)	1,523,944	0.39%		1,927,340		(403,39	
General Land Office (GLO)	1,796,245	0.46%		1,967,935		(171,69	
Department of State Health Services (DSHS)	149,999	0.04%		0		149,9	
Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)	24,478	0.01%		22,172		2,3	
State Energy Conservation Office (SECO)		0.00%		0			
TOTAL STATE	\$ 229,618,381	59.14%	\$	225,915,278	\$	3,703,1	
FEDERAL							
Federal Transit Administration (FTA)	\$ 35,656,988	9.18%	\$	21,684,898	\$	13,972,0	
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	11,120,642	2.86%		1,051,875		10,068,7	
Federal Highway Administration (FHA)	18,521,196	4.77%		13,226,501		5,294,6	
United States Department of Defense (US DOD)	3,202,174	0.82%		0		3,202,1	
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	481,729	0.12%		92,433		389,2	
United States Department of Health and Human Services (US HHS)	165,000	0.04%		400,000		(235,00	
United States Department of Commerce (US DOC)	62,817	0.02%		70,000		(7,18	
United States Department of Energy (US DOE)	896,845	0.23%		892,564		4,2	
United States Department of Transportation (US DOT)	139,071	0.04%		220,758	_	(81,68	
TOTAL FEDERAL	\$ 70,246,462	18.09%	\$	37,639,029	\$	32,607,4	
TOTAL NCTCOG STATE AND FEDERAL	\$ 299,864,843	77.24%	\$	263,554,307	\$	36,310,5	
SEPARATE ENTITIES							
Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC)	\$ 795,100	0.25%	\$	1,840,000	\$	(1,044,90	
TOTAL SEPARATE ENTITIES STATE	\$ 795,100	0.25%	Ś	1.840.000	Ś	(1.044.90	



## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Funding Changes

State and Federal Grant Changes - \$36.3 million net increase, primarily comprised of:

- Transportation \$31.9 million net increase, primarily comprised of:
  - Federal Transit Administration (FTA) (\$14.0 million increase)
  - > Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (\$10.1 million increase)
  - Federal Highway Administration (FHA) (\$5.3 million increase)
  - ➤ United States Department of Defense (US DOD) (\$3.2 million increase)
  - > Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) (\$643 thousand decrease)
- Workforce \$6.1 million net increase comprised of:
  - > Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) (\$6.1 million increase)
- Area Agency on Aging \$1.5 million net decrease comprised of:
  - > Texas Health and Human Services (HHS) (\$1.4 million decrease)
  - United States Department of Health and Human Services (US HHS) (\$235 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ Department of State Health Services (DSHS) (\$150 thousand increase)

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Funding Changes

#### State and Federal Grant Changes - \$36.3 million net increase (continued)

- Environment & Development \$1.0 million net decrease, primarily comprised of:
  - ➤ Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) (\$472 thousand decrease)
  - > Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) (\$284 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ General Land Office (GLO) (\$172 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (\$81 thousand decrease)
- Emergency Preparedness \$659 thousand net increase, primarily comprised of:
  - > Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (\$470 thousand increase)
  - Governor's Office (OOG) (\$185 thousand increase)
- · Community \ Program Services \$120 thousand net increase, primarily comprised of:
  - Governor's Office (OOG) (\$120 thousand increase) RPA Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Funding Changes

#### Local Revenue – \$20.3 million net increase, primarily due to:

- Transportation (\$19.5 million increase)
  - ➤ Federation International Football Association (FIFA) World Cup (\$16.2 million increase)
  - ➤ County Pilot Maintenance Programs: Denton & Johnson (\$1.5 million increase)
  - ➤ Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Grant: North Texas Equitable Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (\$1.3 million increase)
- Area Agency on Aging (\$954 thousand increase)
  - ➤ Department of Veteran Affairs (\$592 thousand increase)
  - ➤ Relocation Program (\$173,000 thousand increase)
- Environment and Development (\$147 thousand increase)
  - ➤ Public Works (\$69 thousand increase)
  - > Common Vision Corridor Development Certificate (CDC) Permit (\$44 thousand increase)

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## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Funding Changes

#### Local Revenue – \$20.3 million net increase, primarily due to: (continued)

- RIS (\$752 thousand decrease)
  - > Local funding related to the aerial photography (cyclical).
- Community \ Program Services (\$368 thousand increase)
  - Regional Police Academy (RPA) (\$170 thousand increase) Projected increase in tuition rates for police academy cadets.
  - > Training and Development Institute (TDI) (\$55 thousand increase) Increase primarily due to additional class certification offerings as well as increases in enrollment in existing courses.
  - > TXShare (\$143 thousand increase) Projected increase in revenue sharing agreement with Sourcewell.

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Funding Changes

#### In-Kind Match Funds – \$19.2 million net increase, primarily due to:

- Transportation (\$19.3 million increase)
  - North Texas Moves: Regional Rail Information System and DART, Trinity Metro, Double Track (\$11.6 million increase)
  - ➤ Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program (\$5.8 million increase)
  - ➤ EPA Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) (2.1 million increase)
- Area Agency on Aging (\$209 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ Aging funds require a match of 10% 25% and derives most of its match from nutrition provider's in-kind contributions. Due to the anticipated decrease in nutrition funding pass-through, it's projected that in-kind contributions will also decrease.

#### Separate Entities (NCT9-1-1) – \$5.1 million net decrease, primarily due to:

- CSEC Grant (non-recurring) (\$1.0 million decrease) Grant program is winding down. Remaining funding is anticipated to be expended prior to December 2026.
- CSEC Proposition 8 Contract (non-recurring) (\$5.3 million decrease) Contract projected to be fully expended in FY 2025.
- Local Revenue (\$1.3 million increase) Increase is primarily due to a projected 9% or \$960,000 increase in wireless revenue.

\$ 146,498,736		
Ψ 1-0,-30,730	\$ 140,432,211	\$ 6,066,525
189,812,080	117,442,102	72,369,978
14,001,250	14,734,998	(733,748)
13,062,873	12,810,398	252,475
10,472,393	11,732,556	(1,260,163)
6,149,592	6,982,868	(833,276)
3,567,071	3,215,094	351,977
3,039,468	2,590,964	448,504
2,006,393	1,884,156	122,237
14,652,222	19,715,177	(5,062,955)
1,354,018	1,512,358	(158,340)
\$ 404,616,096	\$ 333,052,882	\$ 71,563,214
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### NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget **Total Expenditures**

#### Transportation - Total expenditures net increase of \$72.4 million, primarily comprised of:

- Federal Transit Administration (FTA) (\$14.0 million increase)
  - North Texas Moves: Regional Rail Information System and DART, Trinity Metro, Double Track (\$18.4 million increase)
  - > Rebuilding America Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity (RAISE): Enhanced Mobility Within the Southern Dallas Inland Port (\$3.8 million decrease)
  - > Cooperative Vehicle Procurement: FY2024 (non-electric vehicles) (\$2.9 million decrease)
  - > Transit Projects (\$1.4 million increase)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (\$10.1 million increase)
  - ➤ Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program (\$9.0 million increase)
  - ➤ DERA: includes DERA 2020 & 2023 (\$1.1 million increase)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHA) (\$5.3 million increase)
  - > CFI Community Grant: North Texas Equitable Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (\$4.1 million increase)
  - ➤ US DOT FY2023 Safe Streets and Roads Grants: Advancing Regional Safety in DFW Region (SS4A) & US DOT Safe Streets and Roads: SS4A Crossing Students Safely in the Dallas-Fort Worth Region (\$1.7 million increase)
- United States Department of Defense (US DOD) (\$3.2 million increase)
  - ➤ Community Noise Mitigation Program (\$3.2 million increase)

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes TDI, RPA, CJD, and TXShare
(2) Includes Public Affairs
(3) Includes Direct Service Charges and Indirect Overhead

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total Expenditures

### Transportation – Total expenditures net increase of \$72.4 million, primarily comprised of continued:

- Local (\$19.5 million increase)
  - > FIFA World Cup (\$16.2 million increase)
  - County Pilot Maintenance Program: Denton & Johnson (\$1.5 million increase)
  - > CFI Community Grant: North Texas Equitable Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project (\$1.3 million increase)
- In-Kind (\$19.3 million increase)
  - ➤ North Texas Moves: Regional Rail Information System and DART, Trinity Metro, Double Track (\$11.6 million increase)
  - ➤ Clean Heavy-Duty Vehicle Program (\$5.8 million increase)
  - ➤ EPA Diesel Emissions Reduction Act: includes DERA 2020 & 2023 (\$2.1 million increase)

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## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total Expenditures

#### Workforce Development - Total expenditures net increase of \$6.1 million, primarily comprised of:

- Cost of Operations (\$991 thousand decrease)
  - > Personnel (\$774 thousand decrease) Primarily due to transition of six (6) staff to the Workforce subrecipient.
- Pass-Through (\$7.0 million increase)
  - Childcare (\$8.8 million increase) Additional direct care funding primarily for childcare centers due to increase in funding of approximately \$8.6 million.
  - > Workforce Programs (\$1.7 million decrease) Decrease in funding for the Workforce subrecipient to deliver the various Workforce Center services due to an approximate \$2.6 million decrease in related grants.

#### Research & Information Services - Total expenditures net decrease of \$1.3 million, primarily comprised of:

- Fee for Service (Aerial Photography, Cyclical) (\$1.7 million decrease)
- Software (\$123 thousand increase) Primarily due to the transition of the budgeting for certain platforms (Zoom, Smartsheet, Adobe) from the various departments to RIS as a centralized function.
- Contracted Services (\$163 thousand increase) Increase in consultant services primarily related to network security.

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total Expenditures

#### Area Agency on Aging – Total expenditures net decrease of \$734 thousand, primarily comprised of:

- Cost of Operations (\$108 thousand increase)
  - > Personnel (\$167 thousand decrease) Primarily related to the one (1) FTE reduction in FTEs.
  - > Contract Services (\$292 thousand increase) Primarily due to the growth in the Veterans Directed Care (VDC) program.
- In-Kind/Pass-through (\$842 thousand decrease)
  - Carry over funds are not anticipated to be available for FY 2026.

### Environment & Development – Total expenditures net decrease of \$833 thousand, primarily comprised of:

- Cost of Operations (\$327 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ Contract Services (\$435 thousand decrease) Funding for the Transportation Stormwater Infrastructure (TSI)-West project is coming to an end resulting in the decrease of the related consultant expenditures projected for FY 2026.
- Pass-Through (\$506 thousand decrease)
  - ➤ Solid Waste Management (\$322 thousand decrease) This is the first year of a two (2) year award. Implementation typically occurs in the second year along with increased costs.

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## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total Expenditures

#### Emergency Preparedness – Total expenditures net increase of \$352 thousand, primarily comprised of:

- Cost of Operations (\$390 thousand increase)
  - ➤ Contract Services (\$690 thousand increase) Primarily due to additional temporary employees assisting with the implementation of a new Regional Catastrophic Grant and a contractor to conduct after action review for the FIFA world cup.
  - ➤ Other (\$390 thousand decrease) Primarily due to the rephasing of the budgeted funds, from one (1) year to three (3) years, from the Transportation Department for a Department of Energy related project (Develop Resilient Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Plan).

#### Community \ Program Services - Total expenditures net increase of \$448 thousand, primarily comprised of:

- Cost of Operations (\$448 thousand increase)
  - > Personnel (\$294 thousand increase) Includes the addition of one (1) RPA staff (JAG Grant).

#### Agency Administration – Total expenditures net increase of \$252 thousand, primarily comprised of:

- Agency Support (\$59 thousand increase)
- Facilities Management (\$193 thousand increase) Primarily due to 2% annual rent increase (\$63 thousand) plus operating cost increases (\$130 thousand).

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## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget Total Expenditures

#### **Separate Entities:**

#### NCT9-1-1 District - Total expenditures net decrease of \$5.1 million, primarily comprised of:

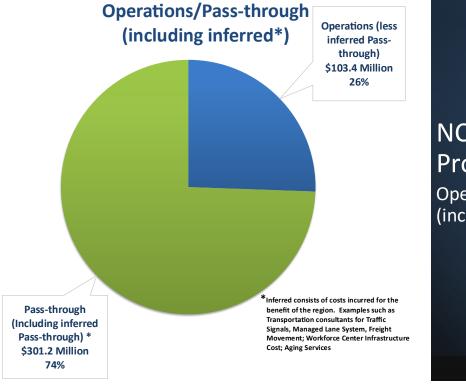
- Cost of Operations (\$4.9 million decrease)
  - Capital Outlay (\$4.1 million decrease) Non-recurring funding was received by the CSEC state agency (Proposition 8 funding) that was utilized to purchase 9-1-1 Next Generation equipment and related costs. Proposition 8 funding is projected to be fully utilized in FY 2025.
  - ➤ Other (\$974 thousand decrease) Primarily do the completion of the non-recurring 9-1-1 Next Generation costs during FY 2025.

#### Total Change to Expenditures – \$71.6 million increase

Pass-through \*
\$ Punds allocated to a subrecipient via a subaward.
Examples such as Workforce subrecipients
Equus and Curantis; Transportation Transit Agencies; Aging congregate/home delivered meals.



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#### **Personnel and Fringe Benefits**

- 443 full-time positions and 64 temporary/part-time positions
  - > Net Decrease of 6 full-time positions
- Healthcare 4% increase
- 3.0% merit pool

Full-time Positions	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2025 Budget	<u>Change</u>
Transportation	204	204	0
Workforce Development	52	58	-6
Agency Administration	45	45	0
Research & Information Services	35	35	0
Area Agency on Aging	28	29	-1
Environment & Development	16	16	0
Emergency Preparedness	7	7	0
Community\Program Services	11	10	1
Agency Management <sup>(2)</sup>	6	6	0
PEBC	6	6	0
NCT9-1-1	33	33	0
Total	443	449	-6

<sup>(1)</sup> TDI, RPA, CJD, and TXShare

## NCTCOG FY 2026 Proposed Budget

**Full-Time Staffing Update** 

#### **Workforce Development (-6)**

- ➤ Senior Early Childhood Specialist (-2)
- Industry and Workforce Engagement Specialist (-4)

#### Area Agency on Aging (-1)

➤ Administrative Assistant (-1)

#### Community\Program Services (1)

Police Training Coordinator (JAG Grant) (1)

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<sup>(2)</sup> Includes Public Affairs

#### **Remaining Steps In Budget Process:**

- Answer any questions today.
- Provide for public hearing and budget adoption resolution at September's Board meeting.
- Prepare budget document for filing with the Board and State agencies in September.
- Monitor FY 2025 budget year close out.
- Implement FY 2026 budget beginning October 1.
- Present status of programs and need for budget amendments throughout the year as new programs and funding become available.

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#### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

Item 20

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing Purchase and Placement of Education Campaigns for

Transportation Initiatives in Fiscal Year 2026

Since January 2014, the Executive Board has approved education campaign funding annually for various transportation programs. Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Education Campaigns for Transportation Initiatives are ready to move forward and have been included in the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), which was approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) and Executive Board.

Combining education campaign efforts within the Transportation Department has resulted in increased website traffic, greater public participation, and lower costs. Additional benefits received include efficiencies with media outlets such as improved staff coordination; increased timeliness; a broader audience reach, including historically underserved populations; and cross-program communication. Education campaigns will be in multiple languages and may be presented through out-of-home advertising, print, screen, social media, digital, and audio platforms. FY2026 education campaigns will support the activities listed below:

- Public Involvement
- Drive Aware North Texas
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety (Look Out Texans)
- Unmanned Aircraft Safety
- Congestion Management Program (Try Parking It)
- 2026 FIFA World Cup Partnership (Congestion Relief)
- Car Care Awareness
- Ozone Season Emissions Reduction Campaign (Air North Texas)
- Flexible Funding for Public Involvement/Notifications

As begun last year, this request goes through a risk analysis to determine those items necessary to support federal requirements, awarded grants, and initiatives related to transportation safety. Attachment 1 to the memo contains a summary of activities, description of each of the programs and a risk assessment of each of the programs. Attachment 2 to the resolution contains the funding sources and amounts, including match. In addition, Attachment 3 to the memo identifies the funding shares by purpose. Staff is seeking Executive Board approval, in its role as RTC's fiscal agent, to spend up to \$1,849,500 for the purchase and placement of department education campaigns that will initiate in FY2026.

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR

Memo Page 2

Additional information and a draft resolution authorizing the purchase and placement of Transportation Department education campaigns 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.

WV:kw Attachments

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE AND PLACEMENT OF EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS FOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES IN FISCAL YEAR 2026

**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) serves as the MPO Policy Committee, 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, there has been significant regional interest to enhance coordination, communication, and awareness of various programs administered by NCTCOG; and,

**WHEREAS**, it has become beneficial for various NCTCOG Transportation Department program areas to administer and coordinate multimedia education campaigns in an effort to reach all audiences efficiently, effectively, and responsibly.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. NCTCOG is authorized to enter into agreements with various multimedia outlets for the purchase and placement of education campaigns initiated in Fiscal Year 2026 for Transportation Department Initiatives in an amount up to \$1,849,500, as reflected in Attachment 2.

Section 2. The Executive Director or his 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.

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR Resolution Page 2

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Council Member, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon J. Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

## Summary and Risk Assessment Education Campaigns for Transportation Initiatives in Fiscal Year 2026

Public Involvement, which focuses on notifications of public input/meetings, aims to provide reasonable opportunities for the public to learn about and comment on the region's transportation plans according to requirements of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. Public meetings and other opportunities allow North Texans to learn about and provide input on transportation and air quality in the region and help set priorities for the future. This line item includes notices for federally required public meetings, notices for project specific public meetings, as well as other public information notices about transportation and air quality programs.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for Public Involvement in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026.

- Contract Commitments: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations to provide notification of public meeting opportunities on transportation planning activities.
- Program Effectiveness: Paid advertising is a highly effective method to notify the
  public about upcoming public meeting opportunities. Meeting date, time, location,
  topics, and ability to find the information and comment online is provided in the
  notices. Advertising through newspapers and social media is the most
  successful, cost-effective means of reaching the general public.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$160,500 of Transportation Planning Funds (TPF), Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funds, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funds, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) funds, Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) funds, Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Local funds, Local Funds, and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds. Private funds will be used as a portion of the local match and Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match will also be used as match.

Drive Aware North Texas is an educational campaign aimed at improving negative driver behaviors that are the leading contributing factors for serious injury and fatality crashes in the North Texas region. The current areas of concern are speeding, distracted driving, impaired driving and wrong way driving. Fatal and serious injury crashes began to rise at an alarming rate during the COVID-19 pandemic. Although we have started to see small decreases in fatality crashes in our region, the number of incidents still exceeds the pre-pandemic level for serious injury and fatality crashes. Speeding has by far been the highest contributing factor for fatal and serious injury crashes. A regional campaign to educate all North Texas drivers about the importance of safe driving is integral to developing a culture of safety for shared roadways in the North Texas area. Messaging will emphasize the dangers of speeding and include other reckless driver behaviors. All messaging will be aimed at improving negative driver behavior and establishing respect between North Texas drivers.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the Drive Aware North Texas campaign initiative in FY2026.

• Institutional/Relationship Risk: In 2017, the RTC established the regional safety position that "Even one death on the transportation system is unacceptable. Staff will collaborate with our partners to develop projects, programs, and policies that assist in eliminating serious injuries and fatalities across all modes of travel." The RTC's safety position aligns with the Texas Transportation Commission's minute order from May 30, 2019, which states: "The Texas Transportation Commission directs the Texas Department of Transportation to work toward the goal of reducing the number of deaths on Texas roadways by half by the year 2035 and to zero by the year 2050. The commission acknowledges a majority of motor vehicle crashes can be prevented, thereby reducing fatalities." In support of these positions NCTCOG developed the NCTCOG Roadway Safety Plan which was developed as a catalyst and guide towards promoting safety in all roadway projects and programs. NCTCOG recognizes that safety is a shared responsibility and encourages our partners and the public to do their part in making our roads safer.

- Contract Commitments: The funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the Regional Safety Program includes paid education strategies for Drive Aware North Texas.
- Program Effectiveness: Paid education is a highly effective method to educate
  the driving public about the importance of reducing negative driver behaviors.
  Greater awareness and providing tips to reduce these behaviors will assist in
  reducing fatality and serious injury crashes which in turn may have a positive
  impact on the frequency of crashes, reduce incident-related congestion or nonrecurring delay, improve traffic flow and improve air quality.
- RTC/Executive Board Policy: In 2017, the RTC established the regional safety position that "Even one death on the transportation system is unacceptable. Staff will collaborate with our partners to develop projects, programs, and policies that assist in eliminating serious injuries and fatalities across all modes of travel." The Regional Safety Advisory Committee and the RTC also endorsed the goals of the NCTCOG Roadway Safety Plan which includes the development of behavioral and educational countermeasures that address dangerous driving behaviors. Safety policies aimed at reducing serious injury and fatality crashes are also included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$300,000 of STBG funds and RTC Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match.

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Program (Look Out Texans) is an education campaign aimed at increasing safety for all road users in North Texas by educating pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists on their rights and responsibilities while using the roadway. Messaging will focus on encouraging more individuals to bicycle and walk, and to do so in a safe manner. Messaging will also include tips for drivers to encourage safe driving behavior to protect bicyclists and pedestrians traveling on or near the road.

Messaging will be strategically directed toward demographics at the greatest risk of injury or death, with paid education tailored to specific times of year. For example, motorists during back-to-school season in August, when more young pedestrians and bicyclists are on the road.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety (Look Out Texans) Program campaign initiative in FY2026.

- Contract Commitments: The funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation includes paid advertising strategies for the continuation of the Look Out Texans education campaign which depends on paid advertising outreach tools.
- Program Effectiveness: Paid advertising is a highly effective method to educate the public about both the rights and responsibilities when walking, biking, or driving on roadways throughout North Texas. Reducing risky behaviors leading to serious injuries and fatalities is critical for increasing safety for all road users. Advertising through digital outreach, social media, transit vehicles, etc. is the most successful means of reaching targeted demographics in the region such as young adults and protected Title VI populations at the greatest risk of injury or death on the region's roadways.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$495,000 of STBG funds and RTC Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match.

The North Texas Airspace Awareness pilot program was initiated to address the critical need for an integrated airspace management system within the North Texas region. This initiative sought to bring together technology providers, municipal governments, and other stakeholders to develop a system that could safely and efficiently manage manned and unmanned air traffic in densely populated urban environments. To safely integrate Advanced Air Mobility (AAM), autonomous beyond visual line of sight flights, and small drone deliveries in the region require PSUs and/or UTM Services. These services will be integral to not only increase safety, execute flight plans, balance airspace capacity, provide aircraft conflict resolutions, enhance adherence to federal, state, and local regulations, and provide additional emergency services. There is also a need for competing providers to integrate cooperatively into a large metropolitan area to provide the highest degree of safety possible. Having these platforms operating independently of each other leaves immeasurable gaps in regional safety and that needs to be mitigated. This advertising effort will allow us to promote the program to the region's drone users to ensure that they are not only aware of the program's intended results which are safer skies, but also that they understand how to use the platform we are developing.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the North Texas Airspace Awareness pilot program in FY2026.

 Program Effectiveness: Paid advertisement is a highly effective method to encourage the public to utilize new safety programs regarding drone technology. With more participation in our safety awareness program by the region's piloting community, our airspace will benefit from the safety benefits.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$4,000 of RTC Local funds.

The Regional Trip Reduction Program is a NCTCOG implemented educational program aimed at regional private and public employers that seeks to reduce commute vehicle trips through the marketing and implementation of travel demand management (TDM) strategies such as

rideshare programs (carpooling and vanpooling), telecommuting, flexible work-hour schedules, transit, bicycling, and walking. An essential tool used within the Regional Trip Reduction Program is TryParkinglt.com, the regional commute tracking and ride-match system. The website and app enable commuters to locate carpool and vanpool ride matches, along with transit and bicycle matches. When commuters enter their alternative commute trips, the website generates a summary of miles saved, trips reduced, and harmful emissions reduced. Try Parking It users also receive reward points for tracking their alternative commute trips. TryParkinglt.com also helps regional planners develop and evaluate the regional transportation system, allowing them to calculate the mobility and air quality benefits of strategies to reduce vehicle trips. The system will also be used to track employer participation in the One Day a Week initiative that focuses on the regional 20 percent reduction target for single occupancy vehicle commute trips. Messaging will target increasing participation by large employers but will also aim to encourage individual commuters to try using alternative modes of transportation.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for Try Parking It in FY2026.

- Institutional/Relationship Risk: Travel demand management (TDM) strategies are specified in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), and the Congestion Management Process (CMP) and Try Parking It is the marketing arm of TDM.
   Failure to market the program puts MTP and CMP implementation at risk.
- Contract Commitments: The funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for Try Parking It includes paid education strategies. There is a contract with Agile Mile to develop and host the website, of which success depends on paid education strategies.
- Congestion Management Process: TDM strategies are included in the federally required Congestion Management Process. If the effectiveness of Try Parking It is reduced by not implementing paid education, then less effective congestion relief strategies will need to be implemented in order to allow additional single occupant vehicle transportation improvements.
- Air Quality Conformity: TDM strategies are included in Air Quality Conformity and there is a requirement to continue implementing these strategies to avoid penalties for backsliding on commitments.
- State Implementation Plan/Weight of Evidence: TDM strategies are included in the Local Initiatives chapter and if air quality improvements are not met the region could face sanctions in the future.
- Program Effectiveness: Paid education is a highly effective method to encourage
  the public to utilize Try Parking It in order to receive incentives for alternative
  commutes. With more participation in alternative commutes, the region will see a
  benefit in congestion relief and air quality improvements.
- RTC/Executive Board Policy: Try Parking It is referenced in Regional
  Transportation Council Resolutions R21-04 and R98-01. R21-04: Resolution
  Supporting the Establishment of a Regional Single Occupancy Vehicle Trip
  Reduction Target to Reduce Drive Alone Vehicle Trips in North Central Texas –
  Sustaining Benefits of Changes in Travel Behavior on Congestion Levels
  Experienced During COVID-19 and R98-01: Supports the Development of Travel
  Demand Management Strategies in Major Investment and Environment Studies
  (now referred to as corridor/NEPA studies). That resolution reinforced an existing
  policy that encourages large employers to participate in employer trip reduction
  solutions appropriate to the corridor.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$325,000 of STBG funds and RTC Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match.

As part of the 2026 FIFA World Cup Partnership, staff will work with partners to develop and execute a travel demand management (TDM) communications strategy that aims to ensure smooth transportation experiences across the region by reducing background traffic congestion and managing regular transit usage during World Cup matches at AT&T Stadium in Arlington during summer 2026.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the 2026 FIFA World Cup Partnership in FY2026.

- Institutional/Relationship Risk: Paid advertising demonstrates visible commitment
  to the success of the World Cup transportation effort, helping strengthen
  relationships with FIFA, the Host Committee, local jurisdictions, and partner
  agencies. By investing in broad-reaching communications, the Council of
  Governments affirms its leadership role, builds partner confidence, and shows
  alignment with expectations established for host regions.
- Congestion Management Process: Incorporating paid education into the TDM campaign supports implementation of the federally required Congestion Management Process (CMP). Paid strategies expand awareness of congestion-reducing options and allow the region to demonstrate a robust approach to traffic management during a high-profile international event. This enhances the region's ability to showcase best practices and comply with federal requirements.
- Program Effectiveness: Paid education extends campaign reach beyond existing COG channels and stakeholders, ensuring that messaging is visible to the wider public, employers, and visitors. With targeted messages, the campaign can influence travel choices more effectively and increase awareness of alternative transportation options. This visibility and impact are essential to gaining broad support and ensuring the program achieves its objectives.

Funding Request as Approved by RTC: \$280,000 of RTC Local funds.

The Car Care Awareness Program aims to spread the message of proper vehicle maintenance to educate the public and give them the tools they need to be a part of the regional air quality solution by keeping their vehicles running cleanly and efficiently. NCTCOG seeks and maintains relationships with nonprofits, community organizations, chambers of commerce, auto repair facilities and dealerships through clinics, workshops and events to educate North Texans about proper vehicle maintenance and what to do when the check engine light illuminates. NCTCOG staff provides information and resources related to compliance with the State's vehicle emissions inspection program and the importance of reducing emissions in the Dallas-Fort Worth (DFW) region. Staff is integrating vehicle safety messaging into the overall program.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the Car Care Awareness Events in FY2026.

• State Implementation Plan/Weight of Evidence: Car Care Awareness was included in the most recent SIP weight of evidence category and if air quality improvements are not met the region could face sanctions in the future.

 Program Effectiveness: Paid education is the most effective way to notify the public to attend Car Care Awareness Events. Website traffic is increased during months when paid education is ongoing to promote the events.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$40,000 of STBG funds and RTC Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match.

The Ozone Season Emissions Reduction Campaign promotes transportation-related clean air strategies and activities in the Dallas-Fort Worth nonattainment area. Air North Texas is the ozone season emission reduction campaign and partnership that promotes a consistent and comprehensive message about the importance of clean air. It is a resource for clean air issues and hosts an annual Clean Air Action Day to encourage North Texas to do at least one thing to improve air quality. The campaign has the support of a task force made up of government agencies, nonprofit organizations, transportation authorities, and higher education partners.

Risk Assessment: Significant risks are associated with not completing paid education efforts for the Ozone Season Emissions Reduction Campaign (Air North Texas) in FY2026.

- State Implementation Plan/Appendix E: Local Initiatives summited by North Central Texas Council of Governments: Air North Texas was included in the most recent SIP Appendix E: Local Initiatives section, and if air quality improvements are not met, the region could face sanctions in the future.
- Program Effectiveness: In years when paid education efforts have been utilized for the Air North Texas campaign, a large increase in website views has been documented (155% increase) when compared to years with no paid education efforts.

Funding Request as Approved by the RTC: \$205,000 of CMAQ funds, STBG funds, and RTC Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) in lieu of cash match.

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR Attachment 2

#### Purchase and Placement of Education Campaigns for Transportation Initiatives for FY2026 **Funding** Match Match **Program Name Funding Source** Total Total **Amount** Source TPF/STBG/CMAQ/ TDCs/Local/ 160,300 EPA/RTR/RTC 26,500 \$ 160,500 Public Involvement Private Local/FHWA/ Private \$ \$ Drive Aware North Texas (SAFETY) 60,000 300,000 STBG 300,000 TDCs Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety (Look Out Texans) (SAFETY) STBG \$ 495,000 TDCs 99.000 \$ 495,000 \$ \$ Unmanned Aircraft Safety (SAFETY) RTC Local 4,000 N/A 4,000 \$ \$ Congestion Management Program (CONGESTION RELIEF) STBG 325,000 TDCs 65,000 325,000 \$ \$ 2026 FIFA World Cup Partnership (CONGESTION RELIEF) RTC Local 280,000 N/A 280,000 \$ \$ Car Care Awareness (AIR QUALITY) STBG 40,000 TDCs 8,000 40,000 Ozone Season Emissions Reduction Campaign (Air North Texas) (AIR CMAQ & STBG \$ 41,000 \$ 205,000 TDCs 205,000 QUALITY) STBG/CMAQ/ TPF/FTA/RTR/ Flexible Funding\* \$ 40,000 TDCs/TBD 8,000 | \$ 40,000 LOCAL/RTC LOCAL/ **FHWA** OVERALL TOTAL \$ 307,500 \$ 1,849,500 1,849,300

Exhibit: 2025-09-20-TR Attachment 3

# FY2026 PURCHASE AND PLACEMENT OF EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS FOR TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES

Purpose	Share
Public Involvement	9%
Congestion Relief	33%
Safety	43%
Air Quality	13%
Contingency	2%

Larger paid advertising request for FY2026 is due to additional funding requests in safety and congestion relief campaigns and additional public involvement projects.



#### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

Item 21

Exhibit: 2025-09-21-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Citian, Inc. for a Predictive Crash

Analysis Software Tool for the Regional Roadway Safety Program

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on March 14, 2025, for a crash analysis software license or tool as part of the Regional Transportation Council's (RTC's) safety initiative, that will aid in NCTCOG's roadway safety improvement candidate selection processes and roadway safety plans by proactively identifying higher-than-expected or higher-than-predicted crash risks at intersections or along roadway segments throughout the North Central Texas region. This scope of work includes crash analysis software which must incorporate the predictive crash methods documented in the most recent edition of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials' (AASHTO) Highway Safety Manual (HSM), the development of safety performance functions, and access to the tool for regional partner agencies.

Nine proposals were received as part of the RFP. The Selection Committee met on May 16, 2025, to discuss and evaluate the submitted proposals and hosted interviews on June 3 and June 4, 2025. Based on the consultant interviews, the Selection Committee recommended Citian, Inc. for this project. This project is funded through the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program with Transportation Development Credits (TDC) in lieu of cash match. Citian, Inc. is committed to a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal of 7.1 percent. Citian will primarily provide software-as-a-service and as a result DBE subcontracting opportunities are limited. In it's role as RTC's fiscal agent, Executive Board approval will be requested to enter into a consultant contract with Citian, Inc. to carry out this RTC initiative. The request will include approval of a contract for an initial two-year term of up to \$1,044,000, with two two-year optional renewals totaling approximately \$2,056,000, for a total contract not to exceed of \$3,100,000 in STBG funds. NCTCOG has current funding authority of approximately \$1,045,000 for this contract which is sufficient for the initial two-year term. Additional funding authorization to cover the first two-year option renewal is forthcoming from the Texas Department of Transportation. Funding for the second two-year optional renewal is subject to the RTC allocating additional funding.

A draft resolution authorizing a consultant contract with Citian, Inc. to provide a predictive crash analysis software for a total amount not to exceed \$3,100,000 with an initial term of two years and two, two-year optional renewals 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.

SJL:cc Attachment

Exhibit: 2025-09-21-TR

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH CITIAN, INC. FOR A PREDICTIVE CRASH ANALYSIS SOFTWARE TOOL FOR THE REGIONAL ROADWAY SAFETY PROGRAM

- **WHEREAS**, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is a Texas political subdivision and non-profit corporation organized and operating under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 391 as the regional planning commission for the 16-county North Central Texas region; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG is a voluntary association of, by and for local governments established to assist in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit, and coordinating for sound regional development; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of the State of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC) serves as the MPO Policy Committee, comprised primarily of local elected officials, and is the regional transportation policy body associated with NCTCOG, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,
- **WHEREAS,** Subtask 5.07 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program provides for Roadway Safety planning efforts as part of the Congestion Management Planning and Operations Program; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 5.07 of the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program provides for Roadway Safety planning efforts as part of the Congestion Management Planning and Operations Program; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the RTC approved a regional safety position that even one death on the transportation system is unacceptable; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the RTC's safety position aligns with the Texas Transportation Commission's minute order that directs the Texas Department of Transportation to work toward the goal of reducing the number of deaths on Texas Roadways by the year 2035 and to zero by the year 2050. The commission acknowledges a majority of motor vehicle crashes can be prevented, thereby reducing fatalities]; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the NCTCOG Roadway Safety Plan is the first region-wide plan to eliminate all fatalities on our roadways by 2050 and will serve as a guide for the implementation of future systemic safety projects and programs throughout the NCTCOG region as we work towards a goal of zero fatalities on our region's roadways by 2050; and
- **WHEREAS,** Citian, Incorporated has been recommended by the Consultant Selection Committee to provide a predictive crash analysis software license; and
- **WHEREAS**, the North Central Texas Council of Governments has complied with federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings to select a qualified consultant for hosted website services.

Exhibit: 2025-09-21-TR Resolution Page 2

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

**Section 1.** A contract between NCTCOG and Citian, Inc. to provide a predictive crash

analysis software for an initial two-year term of up to \$1,044,000, with two, two-year optional renewals totaling approximately \$2,056,000, for a total contract not to exceed of \$3,100,000 in STBG funds, be and is hereby

approved.

**Section 2.** The Executive Director or his 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.

Victoria Johnson, President
North Central Texas Council of Governments
Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County



**North Central Texas Council of Governments** 

Item 22

Exhibit: 2025-09-22-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

Director of Transportation

Item Title: Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. to Develop a

Flooded Roads Information System

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is seeking technical expertise to develop a Flooded Roads Information System for NCTCOG. Flooded roadways present safety issues with the general public and first responders and can cause traffic congestion and delays. The current flood warning system is critical, but reactive to identify roads and crossings already flooded, when potential dangers are already occurring. This project will provide the region with a predictive warning system for roadways that could potentially flood, alerting emergency responders to prepare and drivers to avoid the affected facilities. The scope of work is funded through Surface Transportation Block Grant funds selected by the Regional Transpiration Council in February 2024. Additional details are included in the attached presentation slides. I have also included power point slides from an earlier Executive Board presentation that was put on hold due to time limits.

On January 31, 2025, NCTCOG issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit consultant assistance, and 10 proposals were received in response to the RFP. The Selection Committee met on May 21, 2025, to review and evaluate proposals. Based on the review and scoring of the proposals, the committee recommended conducting interviews. Interviews were conducted on June 13, 2025, and the committee recommended Dewberry Engineers, Inc. to conduct the project. In its role as RTC's fiduciary agent, Executive Board approval will be requested to enter into a consultant contract with Dewberry Engineers, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 of Surface Transportation Block Grant funds and Transportation Development Credits in lieu of a local match. Dewberry Engineers, Inc. has committed to meeting a minimum Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation goal of 10 percent for this study, which matches the DBE goal identified for this procurement.

A draft resolution authorizing NCTCOG to enter into a consultant contract with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000 is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

nd Attachments

Exhibit: 2025-09-22-TR

### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH DEWBERRY ENGINEERS, INC. TO DEVELOP A FLOODED ROADS INFORMATION SYSTEM

- **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 serves as the MPO policy committee 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 3.07 of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 and FY2025 Unified Planning Work Program includes work program activities to develop strategies for congestion management and working with local governments to enhance coordination of transportation operations and investments; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Subtask 3.07 of the FY2026 and FY2027 Unified Planning Work Program includes work program activities to develop strategies for congestion management and working with local governments to enhance coordination of transportation operations and investments; and.
- **WHEREAS**, in February 2024, the Regional Transportation Council authorized programming Surface Transportation Block Grant funds to develop a Flooded Roads Information System as part of the 2024 Strategic Transportation Funding Program; and,
- **WHEREAS**, NCTCOG initiated a Request for Proposals to hire a consultant to develop a Flooded Roads Information System for NCTCOG; and,
- **WHEREAS**, the NCTCOG Consultant Selection Committee recommended Dewberry Engineers, Inc. to develop the Flooded Roads Information System; and,
- **WHEREAS,** NCTCOG complied with all federal and State regulations regarding contract and procurement proceedings.

Exhibit: 2025-09-22-TR Resolution Page 2

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

A contract between NCTCOG and Dewberry Engineers, Inc. to develop a Flooded Roads Information System in an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000

be and is hereby approved.

**Section 2.** The Executive Director or his 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.

<u>Section 3.</u> This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-22-TR Attachment

## Flooded Roads Information System Project - Example Goal



- A) Predicted Storm Intensity
- B) Predicted Storm
  Path
- C) Predicted Affected
  Evacuation Area



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### **Potential to Turn Stormwater into Drinking Water**

#### **Transportation Infrastructure**

- Optimize Route Location with Valley Storage
- Use Smart Mechanical Culverts
- Initiate Temporary Water Storage
- Clean and Recharge Aquifers

#### Safety

 Technology / Storage / Safety to First Responders in Public

#### **Stormwater Management**

- Minimize Downstream Impacts
- Increase Water Availability





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#### **North Central Texas Council of Governments**

Item 23

Exhibit: 2025-09-23-EDO

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Todd Little

**Executive Director** 

Item Title: Resolution Appointing Executive Board Member for the Collin County Vacant

Seat

The purpose of this item is to consider the appointment of Collin County Commissioner Darrell Hale to fill the vacancy for the Collin County Executive Board seat. Attached is a Collin County Commissioners Court Order passed on September 8, 2025, in support of the appointment.

The Bylaws of the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) specify that the Executive Board shall be composed of 18 members. No entity shall have more than one representative on the Board at any one time, with the exception that the Past President shall serve in a designated position on the Board and shall not be deemed to be a representative of any specific entity. Should a vacancy occur in the Officers or Directors of the Executive Board, a successor shall be appointed by the remaining members of the Board to fill the unexpired term. (See Attached excerpt of the NCTCOG Bylaws, Section V, Paragraphs H, I, and M).

With Collin County Judge Hill serving as Immediate Past President, the Executive Board currently has 17 members and a vacant position for the Collin County seat. Thus, there is a need to appoint a successor for the remainder of the term ending at the conclusion of the 2026 NCTCOG General Assembly.

A draft resolution appointing Collin Commissioner Darrell Hale to fill the remaining term of the Collin County seat is attached for Executive Board consideration. I will be available to answer any questions the Board may have on this item.

**Attachments** 

Exhibit: 2025-09-23-EDO

### RESOLUTION APPOINTING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER FOR THE COLLIN COUNTY VACANT SEAT

**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,** Section V, Paragraph H and I of the NCTCOG Bylaws specify that the Executive Board shall be composed of 18 members and that no entity shall have more than one representative on the Board at any one time, with the exception that the Past President shall serve in a designated position on the Board and shall not be deemed to be a representative of any specific entity; and,

**WHEREAS,** Section V, Paragraph M of the NCTCOG Bylaws specify that should a vacancy occur in the Officers or Directors of the Executive Board, a successor shall be appointed by the remaining members of the Board to fill the unexpired term; and,

**WHEREAS,** with Collin County Judge Hill serving as Immediate Past President, the Executive Board currently has 17 members and a vacant position for the Collin County seat. Thus, there is a need to appoint a successor for the remainder of the term, which would end at the conclusion of the 2026 NCTCOG General Assembly; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Collin County Commissioners court passed a court order on September 8, 2025, in support of the appointment of Commissioner Darrell Hale to fill the remaining term for the Collin County position on the Executive Board.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Collin County Commissioner Darrell Hale be and is hereby appointed to fill the remaining term of the Collin County position on the Executive Board, with the term of the appointment ending at the conclusion of 2026 NCTCOG General Assembly.

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

Victoria Johnson, President North Central Texas Council of Governments Councilmember, City of Burleson

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments on September 25, 2025.

Brandon Huckabee, Secretary-Treasurer North Central Texas Council of Governments County Judge, Erath County

Exhibit: 2025-09-23-EDO Attachment 1

State of Texas \$ Court Order
Collin County \$ 2025-919-09-08
Commissioners Court \$

An order of the Collin County Commissioners Court approving board appointments.

The Collin County Commissioners Court hereby appoints Commissioner Darrell Hale to represent Collin County on the Executive Board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments until June 2026 while Judge Chris Hill serves in the role as Past President.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried by a majority of the court members in attendance during a regular session on Monday, September 8, 2025.

Chris Hill, County Judge

Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1

Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2

Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3

Buncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk

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#### Selected Provisions of the NCTCOG Bylaws (as adopted June 15, 2018),

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

#### Section V.

- A. The Executive Board shall constitute the Board of Directors and governing body of the Council and shall be responsible for the general policies, programs and the control of funds.
- B. The Executive Board shall also be responsible for approving a work program, including a complement of personnel to implement it, adopting the annual budget following a public hearing of such budget, and making necessary amendments to the budget during the fiscal year.
- C. The Executive Board shall be empowered to appoint an Executive Director as the chief administrative and executive officer of the Council.
- D. The Executive Board shall be empowered to employ consultants and to authorize contracts necessary to carry out the business of the Council.
- E. The Executive Board shall be empowered to appoint study committees, technical advisory committees, and policy development committees deemed necessary to carry out the business of the Council.
- F. The President of the Executive Board shall appoint a nominating committee comprised of Past Presidents to prepare a slate of Officer and Director candidates for consideration at the annual membership meeting of the General Assembly.
- G. The Executive Board shall meet regularly at least once each month, unless otherwise determined by its members, to conduct the continuing business of the Council.
- H. Representation on the Board shall meet the following minimum requirements at all times:

#### Counties (6 Seats)

- Four (4) locally elected officials on the Board shall be representatives from the four (4) largest populated member Counties (one from each County), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member County with a population of between Seventy Five Thousand (75,000) and Six Hundred Fifty Thousand (650,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member County with a population of less than Seventy Five Thousand (< 75,000), as of the last official census.

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#### Cities (10 Seats)

- Three (3) locally elected officials on the Board shall be representatives from the three (3) largest populated member Cities (one from each City), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of between Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) and Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (350,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of between One Hundred Thousand (100,000) and Two Hundred Thousand (200,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of between Fifty Thousand (50,000) and One Hundred Thousand (100,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of between Twenty Thousand (20,000) and Fifty Thousand (50,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of less than Twenty Thousand (20,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of between Fifty Thousand (50,000) and Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (350,000), as of the last official census.
- One (1) locally elected official on the Board shall be from a member City with a population of less than Fifty Thousand (< 50,000), as of the last official census.

No entity shall have more than one representative on the Board at any one time, with the exception that the Past President shall serve in a designated position on the Board and shall not be deemed to be a representative of any specific entity.

- I. The Executive Board shall be composed of the following members:
  - 1. The Immediate Past President of the Council;
  - 2. The sixteen (16) Directors of the Council; and,
  - 3. One (1) ex-officio, non-voting member who is a Texas State Legislator representing a Legislative District that is located in-whole or in-part in a county holding membership in the North Central Texas Council of Governments for so long as required by State law.
- J. Each member of the Executive Board shall be entitled to one vote, with the exception of the President who will only vote in the event of a tie. Members must be in attendance to vote. Attendance via telephone and/or videoconference is allowable when permitted by State law and as prescribed by Board resolution.
- K. The membership of the Executive Board shall always be composed of elected local government officials except as provided in I.3. above.

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L. A majority of the Executive Board members in office immediately before a meeting, excluding the ex-officio, non-voting member, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. No business shall be considered by the Board at any meeting at which a quorum is not present.

- M. Should a vacancy occur in the Officers or Directors of the Executive Board, a successor shall be appointed by the remaining members of the Board to fill the unexpired term and in accordance with Section V. H.
- N. The Executive Board shall establish an Ethics Policy, consistent with State law related to Metropolitan Planning Organizations, which is applicable to Board members and employees.

Item 24

Exhibit: 2025-09-24-TR

Meeting Date: September 25, 2025

Submitted By: Michael Morris, P.E.

**Director of Transportation** 

Item Title: Status Report on Step 1 of the Federal Railroad Administration's Corridor

Identification and Development Program for the Fort Worth to Houston High-Speed

Rail Corridor

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) was successful in including the Fort Worth to Houston (through Dallas) High-Speed Rail Corridor in the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA's) Corridor Identification and Development (Corridor ID) discretionary grant program and was awarded \$500,000 to complete the first of three steps in this program. Successful navigation of the Corridor ID Program will position this corridor to be considered for future funding from FRA's Federal-State Partnership (FSP) for Intercity Passenger Rail Grant Program, which will complement the preliminary engineering and environmental clearance efforts within the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process being led by the HNTB Corporation on the Dallas to Fort Worth portion of the corridor.

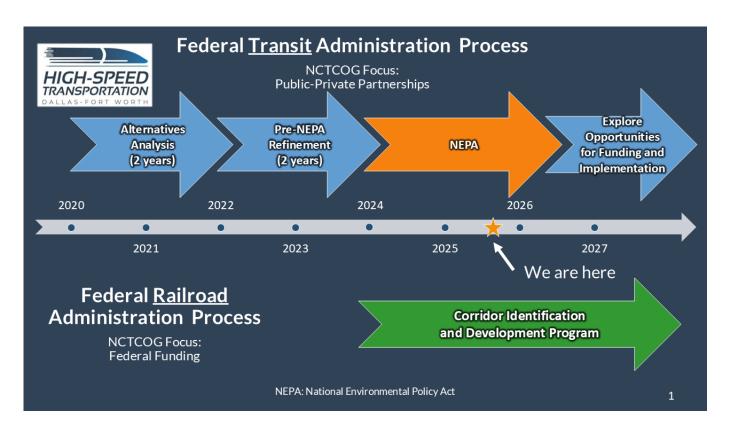
The Regional Transportation Council has elected to pursue two parallel paths regarding high-speed rail planning initiatives: first – the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) led NEPA process between Fort Worth and Dallas to promote an environmentally cleared corridor for private investment opportunities, and second – this FRA led Corridor ID program which develops a national pipeline of intercity passenger rail projects for future federal funding opportunities through FRA's FSP program. Advancing both efforts in parallel enhances the potential for successful implementation of high-speed rail between Dallas and Fort Worth. On October 25, 2024, NCTCOG issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Corridor ID program project. Three proposals were received, and interviews were held with all firms. Based on interviews, the Selection Committee is recommending HNTB Corporation as the most qualified firm for this project.

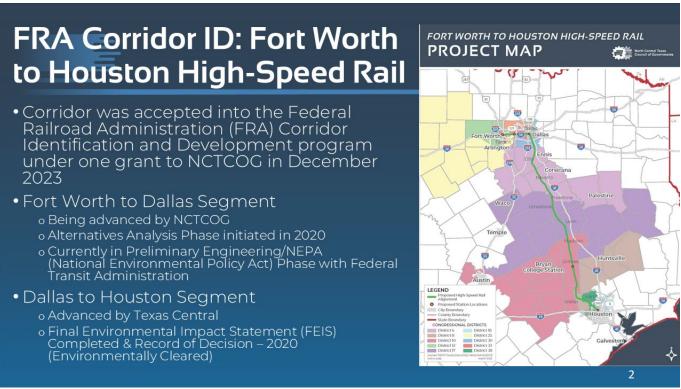
The Corridor ID program's Step 1 is funded entirely with FRA grant funding and requires no local match. The work to be performed by HNTB Corporation, subject to Executive Board approval, will consist of preparing a scope, schedule, and budget for Step 2 of the Corridor ID program, which will produce a Service Development Plan (SDP). Prior to entering Step 2, the Regional Transportation Council will need to jointly assess the results from Step 1 with FRA to determine how and when to initiate Step 2. There is a pending amendment to the FRA grant agreement to extend the term to April 30, 2026.

Once NCTCOG has a fully executed amendment with FRA, staff will bring back to the Executive Board a recommendation to award a contract with HNTB in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 to complete these activities. I will provide a brief presentation (see attached) on this item and will be available to answer any questions.

EP Attachment

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#### NCTCOG EXECUTIVE BOARD ATTENDANCE

#### June 2025 - May 2026

Name	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	TOTAL
Victoria Johnson President	Р	Р	Р										3
Jennifer Justice Vice President	Р	Р	Р										3
Brandon J. Huckabee Secretary/Treasurer	Р	Р	Α										2
Chris Hill Past President	A	Р	Α										1
Christopher Boedeker	Р	Р	Α										2
David Bristol	٧	Р	Р										3
Carlos Flores	Р	Α	Р										2
T.J. Gilmore	Р	Р	Р										3
Bowie Hogg	Α	Р	Р										2
Rick Horne	Р	Р	Α										2
Gary Hulsey	Р	Р	Р										3
Clay Jenkins	Р	Р	Р										3
Cara Mendelsohn	Р	Р	Р										3
Bobbie Mitchell	Р	Р	Р										3
Tim O'Hare	Р	Р	Р										3
Kameron Raburn	Р	Р	Р										3
Mitch Little - Ex Officio, Non- Voting Member	Α	Α	Α										0
TOTAL PRESENT	14	15	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41
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#### North Central Texas Council of Governments

#### 2025-2026 NCTCOG Executive Board Calendar

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

October 23, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
November 20, 2025	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
December 18, 2025	CANCELLED
January 22, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
February 26, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
March 26, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
April 23, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
May 28, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
June 12, 2026	General Assembly
June 25, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
July 23, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
August 27, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
September 24, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
October 22, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
November 19, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
December 17, 2026	Executive Board Meeting – NCTCOG Offices
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