

AAMPO



Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committees Consolidation

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Outline of today's agenda item

- Overview and timeline
- Recap of BMAC-PMAC Working Group
- Key Points of ATAC Bylaws
- BMAC and PMAC Approval of Consolidation
- Revisions to *Policy 5: Technical Advisory Committee*
- Next steps
- Action to Approve Bylaws of ATAC and Revisions to *Policy 5: Technical Advisory Committee*

Overview

- MPO staff seek to consolidate AAMPO's BMAC and PMAC into one committee, the *Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC)*, following:
 - Success of joint meetings of BMAC and PMAC throughout the pandemic.
 - Fall 2021 BMAC/PMAC working group sessions.
 - Research into MPO active transportation committees from across the country.

Timeline of Events

Jan - Feb 2020

- 2020 facilitated goal setting discussions with BMAC and PMAC

Aug – Sep 2021

- AAMPO presentations to BMAC and PMAC to request working group to explore a single active transportation committee

October 2021

- BMAC-PMAC working group meetings

November 2021

- BMAC and PMAC approved consolidation of committees, name the unified committee: Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC)

December 2021

- AAMPO presentation and request to TAC and TPB for action to create unified Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC)



BMAC-PMAC Working Group

Purpose of BMAC-PMAC Working Group

- Review committees' bylaws and structures over 3 meetings in Fall 2021
- Recommend name of new consolidated committee

Members of BMAC- PMAC Working Group

BMAC Representatives	
Ylda Capriccioso	City of New Braunfels
Patricia Franco	VIA
JD Simpson	San Antonio BCycle
Scott Wayman	GBCCC/NE Partnership

PMAC Representatives	
Bert Pickell	San Antonio Walks
Robert Hanley	Citizen at Large
Deborah Scharven	City of San Antonio
Darcie Schipull	TxDOT

Activities of BMAC- PMAC Working Group

**October 18,
2021**

Brainstormed solutions to concerns about consolidating committees.

**October 25,
2021**

Brainstormed a new purpose and set of membership for the proposed committee.

**October 28,
2021**

Completed work on a new purpose and membership, as well as discussing staff support, procedures, and how the committee should be named.



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Key Points of ATAC Bylaws

Background

- Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee Origins
- How are we defining active transportation?

Purpose

- Including, but not limited to:
 - Consideration of technical, policy, and user experience issues related to active transportation mobility
 - Advisement to TAC and TPB
 - Role in MPO project calls
 - Role in active transportation planning studies
 - Focus on accomplishing goals with a regional approach

Membership

- Balanced membership with a goal of ensuring opportunity to participate and be a part of discussion
- Representation of cycling and pedestrian communities
- Composition of governmental agency and community organization representatives
- Introduction of co-chair positions
- 23 members

Governmental Membership Composition

Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG)	1 representative
Bexar County, alternate from the Alamo Regional Mobility Authority (ARMA)	1 representative
Comal County or local municipal representative	1 representative
Guadalupe County or local municipal representative	1 representative
City of Boerne, alternate from Kendall County	1 representative
City of New Braunfels	1 representative
City of San Antonio	3 representatives (One (1) from the Transportation Department and two (2) from other departments)
City of Seguin	1 representative
San Antonio River Authority	1 representative
TxDOT San Antonio District (TxDOT)	1 representative
VIA Metropolitan Transit	1 representative
Advanced Transportation District (ATD)	1 representative
Greater Bexar County Council of Cities (GBCCC)	1 representative (Not to be represented by a member of the NE Partnership.)
Northeast Partnership (NEP)	1 representative

Community Membership Composition

Organization representing people with disabilities	1 representative, on a rotating basis
Bicycling organization (s)	2 representatives, on a rotating basis
Pedestrian or walking organization (s)	2 representatives, on a rotating basis (at least one from a group representing vulnerable road users)
Professional organization	1 representative, on a rotating basis
Shared micromobility provider	1 representative

ATAC Future Focus Areas

- National Pedestrian Safety Month
- FHWA Pedestrian Focused Approach to Safety
- National Bike Month
- Studies related to active transportation
- Deeper dive in active transportation safety
- Active transportation education on infrastructure and safety



BMAC and PMAC Approval of Consolidation

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- BMAC and PMAC voted to approve the consolidation of the committees at their November 2021 meetings.
- Following committee consolidation approval, committee members were given the opportunity to vote on the name of the new committee.
 - Voting choices were the top choices named during working group meetings. Members could also write in names.



Revisions to *Policy 5: Technical Advisory Committee*

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- TAC membership changes & subcommittee changes:
 - Removal of BMAC and PMAC
 - Addition of ATAC

Membership Changes

Joint Base San Antonio	1 representative
Kendall County Geographic Area	1 representative
MPO Bicycle Mobility Advisory Committee	1 representative
MPO Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee	1 representative
<u>MPO Active Transportation Advisory Committee</u>	<u>2 representatives</u>
Northeast Partnership	1 representative

Subcommittee Changes

A. Active Transportation Advisory Committee

The role of the Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC) is to provide coordinated, comprehensive and continuous participation in the active transportation planning process, with a focus on bicycle and pedestrian mobility issues. The ATAC will act collectively to improve the region's safety, programs, investments, and user experience in active transportation. ATAC will adopt committee by-laws to outline its goals, desired membership and procedures. ATAC by-laws will be approved by the TAC and the Transportation Policy Board.

ATAC is an advisory committee, and subject to this Policy, will directly advise the TAC on technical matters and the Transportation Policy Board on active transportation-related policy issues.



Next Steps

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November 2021

- BMAC and PMAC approve consolidation of committees into one committee, ATAC, along with approval of bylaws.

December 3, 2021

- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) approves creation of ATAC, bylaws, and recommendation to Transportation Policy Board

December 13, 2021

- Presentation and request for action to the Transportation Policy Board (TPB)

December 2021

- Staff to post applications for committee membership openings

January 2021

- Working group will review applications and nominate slate of members

Outreach for ATAC Members

- Following approval by the TPB, the MPO will:
 - Reach out to partner agencies for their ATAC membership appointments.
 - Representative(s) and alternate(s) of each agency/entity on the ATAC will be designated and/or removed in writing to the AAMPO through each agency's/entity's internal procedures.
 - Current members of BMAC and/or PMAC may be reappointed or new members can be appointed.
 - Post information to solicit membership for the community organization positions.



Requested Action

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- Staff recommends **action** to approve:
 - The consolidation of the BMAC and PMAC committees into one committee, the Active Transportation Advisory Committee (ATAC), and adoption of the proposed bylaws.
 - Corresponding revisions to *Policy 5: Technical Advisory Committee*.

Questions?

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