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AGENDA

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Texas A&M International University Student Center Ballroom (2nd Floor) 5201 University Boulevard Laredo, Texas 78041

> Wednesday February 26, 2014

12:00 P.M. CONVENE MEETING

1. Safety Briefing

Staff will provide general safety instruction.

- 2. **Executive Session** Pursuant to Government Code, Chapter 551
 - a. **Section 551.071** Consultation with advice from legal counsel regarding any item on the agenda
 - b. **Section 551.074** Deliberate on the search for a new executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation
 - c. **Section 551.074** Interview selected applicants for and discuss the employment of the executive director of the Texas Department of Transportation

2:00 P.M. RECONVENE MEETING

Introduction of area public officials, community and civic leaders, and private citizens. Report by the District.

3. **Discussion**

a. **Texas - Mexico Border Trade and Freight Transportation Issues**Staff will present an overview of border trade and freight transportation issues, along with highlighting key projects and on-going study efforts to address these areas.

b. Passenger Rail

Staff will outline current passenger rail initiatives under study by TxDOT and provide an update on recent coordination with the U.S. Department of Transportation.

3. **Discussion (continued)**

c. **Regional Priority Projects**

Staff will outline state and local plans for the development of Interstate 69 through upgrades to State Loop 20.

d. Energy Sector Impacts and Agency Progress

Staff will provide a brief update on the transportation challenges facing the state as a result of the growing energy sector activities and the agency's response to these challenges.

OPEN COMMENT PERIOD - At the conclusion of all other agenda items, the commission will allow an open comment period, not to exceed one hour, to receive public comment on any other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the department. No action will be taken. Each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Speakers must be signed up prior to the beginning of the open comment period.

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