September Meeting Summary

The September meeting of the Hood County Clean Air Coalition was held on September 2, 2026, in the Granbury City Hall Pre-Council Chambers at 116 West Bridge Street in Granbury, Texas. There were four board members present, which did not represent a quorum. Board members present included Chairman Joe Drew, Mayor Pro-Tem Lisa Clement, Chuck Licata, and Mark Franco via Teams. Also present were Michelle McKenzie, Air Quality Program Manager, with Daniela Tower and Alethea Tsui-Bowen participating via Teams.

1.) Chairman Joe Drew called the meeting to order at 8:55. There were four board members present, which did not represent a quorum.

2.) Without a quorum for the Executive Session, a Board Member meeting was proposed to be scheduled for Friday, September 4th, to discuss the Ozone Modeling RFP bids.

3.) Local updates were provided by the Air Quality Program Manager.

   a. The August Meeting Summary was sent for board member review. The consideration of the August Meeting Summary will take place at the next meeting with a quorum.
   b. In the Monthly Budget Review for July, the Coalition will start having a budget review for the NCTCOG Rider 7 projects and a budget for Clean Air Funds. For July, the Interlocal Agreement was signed on July 1st, but there were no expenses for July. Clean Air Funds were used for $3,846.18 in salary expense, and $2,009.54 in fringe expenses, $23.99 for the Adobe license, and $64.32 for liability insurance for a total of $5,944.03. Balance for the Clean Air Funds at the end of July was $37,383.26. Hood County support for the Coalition in the amount of $35,000 was on the agenda for the August 25th Commissioners' Court. Commissioners approved the funding request, and the City of Granbury Finance Department sent an invoice to the County the next day. Thank you to Hood County for your support and to Donna Kelleher who spoke in support of the Commissioners providing support to the Coalition. The consideration of the Monthly Budget Review for July will take place at the next meeting with a quorum. The balance at First National Bank is $785.58 at the end of August.
   c. In the Rider 7 update, the RFP was published for the ozone modeling project on August 3rd with a deadline for proposals due on August 31st. HCCAC board members will need to score the projects and approve one. The approved proposal will not need to go to City Council for approval as it is under $100,000. Jeremy with TTI emailed on August 12th that the Aeroqual monitor was re-

installed at Tolar, and all the monitors are back up and running. He noted that there was a noticeable increase at some of the monitors when the wind shifted during the Palo Pinto Ross fire. The fire information will be noted for the data collection.

d. As was noted in the budget review, Hood County support for the Coalition in the amount of $35,000 was on the agenda for the August 25th Commissioners Court and was approved in a unanimous decision. Thank you to board members who were available and spoke at the meeting and thank you to Donna Kelleher who spoke in support of the Coalition's request. Donor button information for the website will be discussed at the next meeting.

e. Reports

    i. The DFW Clean Cities Technical Advisory Committee meeting was held on August 10th. The DFW Clean Cities Technical Advisory Committee meeting was held on August 10th at NCTCOG offices with a virtual option. The Committee Chair called the meeting to order, and then new participants were introduced. The April Meeting Summary was approved by committee members and committee membership status was reviewed including the addition of one committee member following the recent nomination process. There was a review of DFW Clean Cities planning to include a partnership renewal letter template, planning requirements to meet "active and effective" status, and a status report on the Project Management Plan.

    There was a review of the summary of the 2025 Annual Survey including timeline and engagement, summary of the results including that DFWCC collected data from 36 fleets which represented 75% of the gasoline gallons equivalent reductions (33.9 million gallons) and 80% of the carbon dioxide equivalent reductions (307,000 tons of emissions). Burleson ISD submitted a survey for the first time in 2025. 14 fleets have submitted surveys every year from 2016-2025. 14 of the 36 fleets responded to questions about barriers and challenges with manufacturing and maintenance constraints mentioned most. 17 fleets responded to the question about webinars and workshops with education, training, and knowledge sharing being the most noted request. 11 fleets responded to a request for site tours and visits with OEM vehicle and equipment manufacturers being the most requested site tour/ visit. 17 fleets responded to training requests and needs with workforce development and technical skills and safety noted the most. 24 fleets responded to the

if funding were available request with vehicles the top noted mention followed by infrastructure.

There was a briefing on the NEVI Phase 2 results. TxDOT closed funding applications on June 12. 97 locations totaling $62 million were selected for award in the NCTCOG region. 19 of the 38 NCTCOG study areas were awarded. All locations will have at least 4 DC Fast Charge (150kW+) ports. For Hood County, Cresson at Highway 377 and Highway 171, was selected as an awarded site! There was an update on resilient EV charging in Texas. A draft North Texas Resilient Electric Vehicle plan was completed in June 2025. Starting in October 2026, they will evaluate strategies, technologies, and equipment via a tabletop scenario and technology demonstration. Starting in January 2028 they will finalize the plan and share results.

There was a review of the Alternative Fuels Vehicle and Technologies Vendor Inventory form that they are requesting input by the end of August and a review of social media statistics including that they have increased followers by 19% since last quarter. This is primarily on LinkedIn.

One of the TAC members provided an overview of propane landscape equipment. This was followed by a review of events, engagements, and resources and funding opportunities. A Fleet Manager Roundtable is planned for mid-September 2026 to facilitate discussion on the latest challenges and opportunities from the changing EV market including discontinuation of certain OEM vehicle models and upcoming or new EV models and opportunities. National Drive Electric Month will be recognized with a return to Denton Arts and Auto organized by the Denton Main Street Association scheduled for September 12 from 9 am-3pm. A SolSmart 101 webinar is scheduled for August 26th to include overviews of both the SolSmart program and SolarAPP+ to cities and counties to streamline the solar permitting process while incorporating best practices. The August 2026 Texas EV registration update showed a 29% increase in EV registrations in Texas from July 2025-July 2026. With DFW having a 27% increase in that time. There are now 500,000+ EVs registered in Texas which represents about 1.88% of registered vehicles. There are 8,363 level 2 chargers and 5,136 DC fast chargers in the state including Tesla chargers. The Alternative Fuel Data Center Station Locator has been updated with several improvements with the ability to filter results, share results, added historical data and past trends, and map

stations along one or multiple routes, and now also available on mobile. The meeting ended with a review of current funding opportunities.

ii. In the ozone season update, there have been 20 moderate reading days and 1 exceedance days at the monitor for the 2026 ozone season and the current uncertified design value is at 71 parts per billion through the end of August. We have had missed readings in January, May, June, and July so far with June having the most missed readings.

4.) Public Comment

5.) Regional Updates

a. Round 6 Applications are due September 18th for Class 6 and 7 Vehicle funding through the North Texas Zero Emissions Vehicles call for projects, https://www.nctcog.org/trans/quality/air/funding-and-resoures/chdv. $55 million in rebate funding available for replacement of Class 6 and 7 vehicles with ZEV. Program is for "vocational vehicles" including box trucks, step vans, refuse haulers, street sweepers, utility trucks, transit buses, etc. Public and private entities can apply.

b. TCEQ ERIG Grants is open. The Emission Reduction Incentive Grant (ERIG) program opened April 29th with funds available to replace or repower eligible non-road or stationary equipment powered by engines, turbines, or other internal combustion devices rated at 25 hp or greater with cleaner technologies. $62.8 million is available to be awarded on a competitive basis. More information about the ERIG program is available at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/terp/erig. Applications are due by September 4th. The New Technology Implementation Grant is a competitive grant offering funding for the implementation of new technologies that reduce emissions from stationary sources and oil and gas projects, and new electricity storage projects, replacement or repower of select non-road equipment, stationary equipment, marine vessels, and locomotives. There is $16.5 million available with $1 million set aside for Electricity Storage Projects. Up to 50% reimbursement for eligible projects. Applications are due by September 25th. More information at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/terp/ntig.html.

c. TCEQ Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program is open. It is a first-come, first-served grant offering funding for the replacement or repower of eligible medium and heavy-duty gasoline or diesel vehicles with natural gas-powered vehicles or engines. Eligible fuel types include compressed natural gas (CNG), liquefied natural gas (LNG), and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG). Applicants may receive up

to the maximum grant amount per activity type set by TCEQ or 90% reimbursement of eligible incremental project costs, whichever is less. Applications are due by October 20, 2026. More information at https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/terp/tngvgp.html.

d. Grant for bus and bus facilities infrastructure programs is open. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is accepting applications for this program for funding opportunities to support the replacement, rehabilitation, and purchase of low or no emission buses and related equipment, as well as the construction and improvement of bus facilities. Eligible applicants include states, designated transit recipients, local governmental entities, and federally recognized Indian tribes. Eligible projects include for the bus program: purchase, lease, or rehabilitation of buses and purchase, lease, rehabilitation, or construct bus-related facilities and for the Low No Program: purchase or lease of low-emission buses including propane, compressed natural gas, hybrid-electric buses and purchase or lease zero-emission buses including hydrogen fuel cell, battery-electric, and rubber tire trolley buses powered by overhead catenaries. The federal share covers up to 80% of eligible project costs with higher cost-share percentages available for certain low-no emissions bus and facility projects. Deadline to apply is September 21st and more information is available at https://www.transit.dot.gov/notices-funding/fy-2026-notice-funding-opportunity-grants-buses-and-bus-facilities-infrastructure.

e. Other funding opportunities are available at www.nctcog.org/aqfunding.

6.) Other Discussion: The Road Ahead: Fleet to Fleet Discussion on the Evolving EV Market Roundtable Session scheduled for September 15th. Virtual meeting for fleet managers with panelists from DFW Airport, Dallas County, and cities of Grand Prairie and Arlington, as well as the City of Murphy Police Department.
The permit by rule for Wolf Hollow I that was mentioned at the last meeting was for a mobile diesel-fired heater estimated to general 0.8322 tons per year (tpy) of NOx.
NCTCOG sponsored a webinar series about water resources impacts and policy recommendations, and energy resources and impacts with policy updates which both provided a lot of valuable information that would be beneficial to discuss at the next meeting along with information Daniela sent regarding monitoring that could be used near and at data center sites. Related information will be sent ahead of the October meeting. Also, there was a suggestion to include a wildfire map on the website that will be included in the next agenda along with discussion of the donor button information.

7.) Adjourn until October 7th.

Summary Approved: Joseph Drew_____ Date: October 7, 2026
Mark Franco_____