

Infrastructure Subcommittee Meeting Summary

Texas Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Advisory Committee

Virtual Meeting // February 8, 2024, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm (Meeting No.: 1)

Chair: Cade Clark

Vice Chair: Mark Ozenick

Committee Attendance: Andrew Chang, Ben Ivers, Brent Klavon, Cade Clark, Cameron Walker, Dan Dalton, Gus Khankarli, Kimberly Williams, Mark Ozenick, Michael Sanders

Summary:

The meeting agenda included opening remarks, housekeeping, relevant research review, brainstorming recommendations, and closing remarks.

The role of the state in setting rules regarding AAM and its mechanisms was a major point for Texas to lead in this sector. The subcommittee focused on the need to deliver something actionable to the legislature, considering use cases of public safety, community integration, and economic development.

The subcommittee was interested to know more about the various Texas municipalities including Dallas, Arlington, San Antonio, Austin, and Houston working in AAM to collectively focus on the same goal. It was also recommended that major Texas cities work with the FAA as AAM scales further. The discussion about vertiport designs was supported by EB105 merely being the guidance until FAA releases an advisory circular on vertiports, which is expected in 2025.

The subcommittee recommended looking at the existing infrastructure and how it functions. They were interested in getting more information about other cities in Texas that are working in this field.

Next Meeting: March 7, 2024, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm (Virtual)