



Sharmon Owens has worked for the City of Lubbock's Traffic Engineering Department for fourteen years,, first as Traffic Engineering Associate, then as Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Manager, and most recently as Interim Department Head. Sharmon received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Texas Tech University , after graduating from Lubbock High School. Sharmon is a member of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), ITS America, and the American Public Works Association (APWA).

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H. David Jones is the Director of the LMPO. He joined the staff in February, 2008. David began his career with the City of Lubbock in 1971 serving in various capacities including Senior Planning and Director of Planning until 1993 when he transferred to the airport. At the airport he served as Deputy Director of Finance and Administration and Deputy Director of Planning and Development until he joined the LMPO in 2008. David is a Tech graduate (1969) - that is Texas Technological College—with a Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture. David and his wife Cindy of 42 years, have two daughters, a son-in-law, and a grandson.

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Darrell Westmoreland, AICP, is the Transportation Planner for the LMPO. Darrell joined the MPO in May of 2004. Darrell worked for the City of Arlington as a Senior Transportation Planner developing citywide Thoroughfare and Bikeway Plans. He coordinated citywide State Transportation Enhancement Program project proposals and provided roadway forecasting analysis for capital improvements. Prior to that position, Darrell was a Transportation Planner for the Ark-Tex Council of Governments. Darrell developed the twenty year transportation plan, capital improvements program, work planning program and the annual planning budget. Darrell attended the University of New Orleans and graduated with a Bachelors degree from the University of Texas, Arlington. He also graduated with a Masters degree in City and Regional Planning from the University of Texas Arlington. Darrell has been an AICP since 1994. Darrell and his wife, Rosanna, have two daughters.

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Tera is the Transportation Planning Technician for the Lubbock MPO. She was hired as an Administrative Assistant in July of 2002 and was promoted to her current position. Tera worked for Lubbock County for twelve years and has over fifteen years experience as an Administrative Assistant. Tera and her husband, Everett ,who is employed by Lubbock County, have been married since 2001. They are proud grandparents of five grandchildren..

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Tom Head was elected as Chair of the LMPO for the 2010—2012 period. Tom has been the County Judge for Lubbock County since 1999. He served as Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 for Lubbock County from 1992 to 1998. Tom also worked in Law Enforcement with the Texas Tech Police for six and one half years, Lubbock County Sheriff's Department Reserve Deputy Association, and the Lubbock City Marshall's Office for eight and one half years. He is a member of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Advisory Board, the Vice Chair of the Law Enforcement Training Committee for the South Plains Association of Governments as well as a board member. Tom is a Commissioned Texas Police Officer through a local county police department and a member of the Guardianship Advisory Board of the Guardianship Alliance of Texas/Secretary of the Board. Tom has been married to Cherri for 32 years and they have three children.

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Paul R. Beane was elected to serve as the Vice Chair of the LMPO for the 2010—2012 period. Paul is on the Lubbock City Council as the District 4 Representative where he has served since 2008.. A lifelong Texan, Paul was born in Hunt County, Texas, and has been a resident of Lubbock for more than 44 years. He and his wife Frances have shared 48 years of marriage together and enjoy two children and four grandchildren. Paul and Frances are members of the Baptist Church. Paul is also an avid fisherman as well as a member of the National Rifle Association and the United States Golf Association.

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Paul has been in the radio and television broadcast industry for 52 years. He was the first News Director for Channel 28, the former owner of six radio stations within the South Plains, the General Manager of KRBL-FM, and was nominated to the Texas Radio Hall of Fame. In 2000, Paul was honored as a "Big Ed" Wilkes Media Pioneer Award recipient, and Congressman Randy Neugebauer honored Paul before the U.S. House of Representatives for service as a broadcaster to Lubbock and West Texas. In 2003, he was awarded the Businessman of the Year from the National Republican Congressional Committee's Business Advisory Council, and in 2006, he was named Distinguished Citizen of the Year by the Elk's Club.



Patti Jones was Chair of the Transportation Policy Committee from 2006—2008 and the Vice Chair for the 2008—2010 period. Patti was elected Lubbock County Commissioner for Precinct #4 and took office in November 2000. She is a lifelong resident of Lubbock County. Patti attended Commercial College obtaining an Associate Degree in Accounting. Currently, Patti serves as Chairman of the South Plains Association of Governments Board of Directors, serves on the education committee for the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas, appointee to the Attorney General of Texas County Advisory Work Group for the Child Support Division, President of the Lubbock County Soil and Water Conservation District, Board of Director Co-Chair for the 2007 Pancake Festival of the Lubbock Lions Club, Secretary of the American Museum of Agriculture Board of Directors, and Local government Chair for the 2006 United Way Campaign. Patti has been married to Steve for thirty three years. They have two grown sons.

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Randy Henson joined the City of Lubbock's Planning Department in 1979. He started as an Assistant Planner and is now the Director of Planning. Prior to the City of Lubbock, Randy was the Executive Director of the Amarillo Foundation for Health and Science Education, Inc. in Amarillo, Texas and had various positions with Texas Tech University. Randy graduated from Houston Lee High and attended Texas Tech University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. He received his Master's Degree in Park Administration at Texas Tech as well. Randy has been involved in the America Planning Association, City Planners Association of Texas, Northwest Section of the American Planning Association and the Lubbock County Historical Commission. He has been involved in various other organizations throughout his career and has received several awards. Randy and his wife, Beverly, have two children.

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Brad Patrick is the Compliance and Procurement Officer for Citibus in Lubbock. He was born in Lubbock and graduated with honors from Monterey High School in 1998. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 2003 from Texas Tech University College of Architecture. Brad has served within the public transportation sector in various capacities since 2004 when he was first hired by Citibus as Paratransit Supervisor before accepting the position of Operations Director for Texarkana Urban Transit District. In 2006 he was named General Manager Abilene Transit Management. Under his guidance, CityLink Transit restructured the rout system for the first time in two decades and replaced over \$2.76M in outdated transit vehicles. Brad returned to Citibus in 2010 where he is responsible for compliance, grants, planning, procurement, and regional coordination activities.

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Nicholas M. Olenik has worked for the Lubbock County Commissioners Court since 1989 in the Public Works Department. Nick graduated from Frenship High School in Wolfforth and later earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Texas Tech University. He is a past President of the South Plains Chapter of the Texas Public Works Association and a past President of the Texas Association of County Engineers and Road Administrators.

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Theresa Drewell has been the Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction since 2005. Responsible for more than \$1.4 billion in construction for six campuses, she has helped lead the most comprehensive building campaign in Texas Tech's 85-year history. She has been responsible for the management of a professional staff in the design and construction of Tech's multi-million dollar Capital Improvement Program covering a wide variety of projects for research, teaching, hospitality, housing, health care, sports, and infrastructure. Theresa has also been responsible for the Board of Regents' adoption of the 1997 Campus Master Plan with Architectural and Site Design Guidelines and the one-percent programs for Landscape Enhancement and Public Art. Theresa is a registered Architect and Interior Designer that has been with Texas Tech for 23 years. Theresa earned a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from Texas Tech University in 1976. She and her husband Bill have been married 34 years and have two grown sons.

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Darrell Newsom is the City Manager of the City of Wolfforth. Darrell is new to the public sector, with a background in Real Estate, technology, and business management. Darrell is a native of Brownfield. Darrell has a degree from Texas Tech University in Management. He is married to Karan, an Associate Principal at Frenship High School. Darrell and Karan have two grown children, Nathan and Whitney.

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L. Wood Franklin, P. E., is currently the City Engineer for the City of Lubbock. Wood has been employed with the City of Lubbock Engineering Department since 1998. He previously held the position of Chief Water Utilities Engineer from 2005 through 2011. As the City Engineer, Mr. Franklin is responsible for the oversight of the Water Engineering, Stormwater Engineering, and Streets Engineering Departments. Wood is a Lubbock native and holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Texas Tech University. Wood and his wife Missy have three daughters.

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Steve Warren, P. E. is the Director of Transportation Planning and Development for the Lubbock District of the Texas Department of Transportation. Steve was born in Lubbock and graduated from Lubbock High School in 1977. He received his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M in 1982 and his Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1994. Steve has worked for the Lubbock District for twenty-three years. He is currently responsible for project planning and programming for the seventeen county Lubbock District. Steve is also responsible for all design and right-of-way acquisition activities. Steve and his wife, Shella, have been married since 1991. His hobbies and interests include golf and woodworking.

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Steve Shatley is the other new member to the TAC. Lt. Shatley has been with the Texas Department of Public Safety since January 1982, serving as a Highway Patrol Trooper, Safety Education Trooper, Safety Education Lieutenant, and presently as a Highway Patrol Lieutenant. He is responsible for the operations of the Safety Education function of the Texas Highway Patrol service for the entire 60 county area of DPS Region 5. Lt. Shatley received his Bachelors of Science from North Texas State University. He currently serves on the South Plains College Law Enforcement Advisory Committee and the Local Employee Committee of the State Employee Charitable Campaign. Steve is a member of Southcrest Baptist Church. He and his wife, Hallie, have three children.

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L. C. Childers was elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Transportation Policy Committee in June 2003. He served as Vice-Chairman until October 2004. Mr. Childers is the Mayor of the City of Wolfforth. He has served as Mayor since 2002. Before becoming the Mayor, Mr. Childers served on the Wolfforth City Council for nine years.

Mr. Childers is a retired farmer. He has been married to his wife, Doris, for thirty-six years.

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Tom Martin served as Vice Chair of the TPC from 2006—2008. Prior to that, he served as the Chair of the TPC. On May 16, 2008 Tom was sworn in as Mayor of the City of Lubbock. Tom served as District 5 City Council Representative for the City of Lubbock from May 2002 to 2006. Tom retired in 1998 after completing 28 years in municipal government, including serving as a Lubbock Police Officer until he was appointed as Chief of Police in San Marcos in 1990. He became Chief of Police in Grapevine in 1992, where he served until his retirement. Tom currently serves as a City Representative for the City of Lubbock and consults on law enforcement and information technology issues, and teaches criminal justice courses at Wayland Baptist University, Lubbock campus. Tom graduated from Lubbock High School in 1966. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Journalism at Texas Tech in 1970 and a Master's Degree in Public Administration at Tech in 1977. Tom and his wife Karen have been married since 1969.

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Karen Gibson joined the Transportation Policy Committee on November 16, 2010. Karen began working in banking in 1982 and worked in financial institutions for more than 10 years. She later began working with her husband Scott at Gibson's Plumbing, Heating & A/C, Inc. In 2004, Karen and Scott purchased the business when Scott's parents retired. Karen and Scott also own Success in Investments, LLC, a property management company. Karen serves in the community and believes that public service is not a duty, but an honor. Karen volunteers for Buckner Ministries serving as a member of the Ambassador Council and a teacher at My Father's House. She has previously served as a chairperson for the Madison Hope National Memorial Scholarship fund for three years. Karen and Scott work with Buckner Ministries in Cusco, Peru; they are house parents for a transition house in Peru. Karen graduated from Coronado High School in 1980. She has been married for twenty-three years to

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Scott and they have two sons, Blaine and James. Karen and Scott have one granddaughter, Emily.

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John Wilson serves as McDonald Transit's Managing Director for Texas and Oklahoma. In addition, Mr. Wilson has served since 1983 as General Manager of Citibus in Lubbock, Texas, and Senior Vice President of McDonald Transit Associates, Inc. John also serves as liaison to the Lubbock Public Transit Advisory Board and represents Citibus on various committees and before public and civic groups. He serves in transit industry leadership roles at national and state levels, and has conducted nine peer reviews for FTA funded facilities. John provided the leadership for the effort which won Citibus the APTA Public Transportation System Outstanding Achievement Award in 1992. John totally refurbished the City of Lubbock's transit system including new facility, buses, vans, operators, logos, routes, uniforms, and employee benefits.

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John attended Texas Tech University and received his Bachelor of Architecture in 1974.



Lee Ann Dumbauld is an experienced public servant, who has a track record of integrity, excellence, and success in municipal government. Although Lee Ann was born in rural Illinois, she now proudly calls West Texas home.

In her more than 20 years of government experience she has held a variety of management and financial positions. Most recently, before becoming the Chief Financial Officer for the City of Lubbock in July 2004, she served as the CFO for the City of Portsmouth, Virginia. While in Virginia she oversaw the budget process, finance operations, debt management, risk management, retirement systems, and information technology. The total operating budget for the City of Portsmouth was about \$422 million annually and included City Services such as education and public safety. Before going to Portsmouth, she was the finance director for the City of Corpus Christi, Texas. While there, she successfully spearheaded efforts to improve the city's utility bond ratings, while continuing

to oversee the \$417 million operating budget. Beyond her family and work experiences, Lee Ann has enjoyed a variety of opportunities to expand her knowledge and skills, both academically and professionally. She holds a Bachelors of Science in Finance Degree from the University of Illinois and a Master of Business Administration from Millsaps College. Lee Ann also attended the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia. While participating in the International City/County Manager's Association, Lee Ann traveled to Trnava, Slovakia to exchange ideas and observe local government in an international setting.

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All of these experiences have developed the necessary skills to lead the City of Lubbock into the future. She is committed to working with City Council to implement their vision of tomorrow's Lubbock.



Douglas W. Eichorst II, P.E., was recently appointed as the Lubbock District Engineer by TxDOT. Doug holds a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University in civil engineering and began his career with TxDOT in August 1987. He joined the Abilene District and worked as an assistant area engineer and in 1994 was named as the Abilene District designer engineer. In 1997, he moved to the Odessa District as the Pecos area engineer and in 1998 he was promoted to Midland area engineer. During his time in the Odessa District, Eichorst's instrumental in overseeing several major projects for the district. Eichorst's service to the citizens of Texas has not gone unrecognized. He was the 2005 recipient of TxDOT's Gibb Gilchrist Award. The award honors the skills, dedication, and civic-mindedness of department engineers who work in planning, transportation, design, construction, maintenance, ridges, materials and research, and traffic. Eichorst and his wife, Karen, have four children, Trey, Dirk, Kaelee and Kelly.

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Marsha Reed was elected Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee on December 7, 2010. Marsha is currently the Chief Operating Officer for the City of Lubbock. She has been with the City for 15 years. Prior to her work at the City she held several positions at the Lubbock District of TxDOT for 10 years. Marsha is a Lubbock native and two time graduate of Texas Tech University, with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a Masters in Public Administration. She is a licensed professional engineer in the State of Texas. She has served with the South Plains chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers, including President in 2001. Marsha was named Engineer of the Year in 2006 and Young Engineer of the year in 1997. The Texas Chapter of the American Public Works also named Marsha Top 3 Public Works Leader of the Year in 1998. Marsha and her husband, Brad, have four children.

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Bill McCay was elected Vice-Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee on December 7, 2010. Prior to that Bill served as the Chair of the TAC. Bill was elected Lubbock County Commissioner, Precinct 1 in November 2004 and began his four year term in January 2005. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a BA in General Business with a minor in Sociology. Bill has always been active in the community serving on a number of boards, commissions and organizations. He and his wife, Karin, have been married since 1978. They have two children, Morgan, who is a Texas Tech graduate and holds a Masters in Agriculture from Tarleton State University and Jacob, who is a student at Lubbock Cooper High School where he is active in sports and FFA

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Mark Heinrich is the newest member to the Transportation Advisory Committee. Mark was elected County Commissioner of Precinct Two in 2007 and has just completed his second year of service to the citizens of Lubbock County. Mark Heinrich is a lifelong Lubbock County resident and graduated from Slaton High School and from Texas Tech University in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science degree. Mark has been active in the St. Joseph Catholic Church, Slaton Knights of Columbus 2571, Texas Tech University Ex-Student Association, Texas Tech University FFA Assoc., VP Slaton Little League, Slaton Youth Basketball Board Member, Slaton Lions Club, Slaton Chamber of Commerce, SPAG Board Member and South Plains 211 Advisory Committee Board Member. He has been married to his wife, Davia, for 21 years and they have two children, Kaleb and Kellie.

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Thomas Esparza is the Lubbock Police Department's Patrol Division Chief. Chief Esparza has 29 years of service with the LPD and was promoted through the ranks. Chief Esparza was Corporal in 1984, Sergeant in 1988, Lieutenant in 1991, Captain in 1994 and was promoted to Assistant Chief in 2004. Chief Esparza has served in every Division in the Police Department during his 29 years. He has a Masters Peace Officer Certificate and is a graduate of the FBI's National Academy. Chief Esparza attended South Plains College, majoring in Criminal Justice. He is married to Tammy Esparza, who is a high school teacher, and they have one son, Trey.

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