TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

MOTOR VEHICLE CRIME PREVENTION AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

9:00 a.m.
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Holiday Inn Midtown
6000 Middle Fiskville Road
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BOARD MEMBERS:

Tommy Hansen, Chair
Phillip Shay Gause, Member
Ashley Hunter, Member
Armin Mizani, Member (Absent)
Justin Owen, Member
Miguel "Mike" Rodriguez, Member
Katherine "Kit" Whitehill, Member

STAFF:

Bryan Wilson, Director
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MR. HANSEN: Good morning, everybody. We're going to try to move along this morning because of the weather. I know a lot of y'all are going to have to deal with that on your way home. I'm going to be running away from it, but that's okay.

My name is Tommy Hansen. I'm pleased to open the meeting for the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority. It is 9:00 a.m. I'm now calling the Authority meeting for February 5, 2020 to order. I want to note for the record that public notice of this meeting containing all items on the agenda were timely filed with the Office of the Secretary of State, Monday, January 27, 2020.

Before we begin today's meeting, please place all cell phones, any other devices you may have into silent mode, if you would, please.

If you wish to address the Authority at today's meeting, please complete a speaker's card. I believe they're on the table. Okay. They're on the end of the table right here.

If you wish to speak during today's meeting to comment on an agenda item, fill out a yellow card and identify the agenda item on which you wish to speak. If it's not an agenda item, we will take your comments during the public comment portion of the meeting.
I'd like to now have a roll call. Member Hunter?

MS. HUNTER: Present.

MR. HANSEN: Member Owen?

MR. OWEN: Present.

MR. HANSEN: Member Gause?

MR. GAUSE: Present.

MR. HANSEN: Member Rodriguez?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Present.

MR. HANSEN: Member Mizani?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Oh, Mr. Mizani is not present.

Ms. Whitehill?

MS. WHITEHILL: Present.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. And let the record reflect that I, Tommy Hansen, are here and we have a quorum.

Item No. 2, introduce our new member, Board member, Ms. Whitehill.

MS. WHITEHILL: Yes.

MR. HANSEN: Congratulations. Welcome aboard.

MS. WHITEHILL: Thank you.

MR. HANSEN: If you would like to make a comment, please feel free to do so.

MS. WHITEHILL: Yes. I'm very excited to be here. I'm looking forward to working with the Board and
the staff and all the grantees, and thank y'all so much for everything that you do.

MR. HANSEN: After her first day of training, she was commenting, what was I thinking? But --

MS. WHITEHILL: No, no, no.

MR. HANSEN: No. She's going to be a great asset to everything here. So -- all right. Moving on here.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman --

MR. HANSEN: I've got to call --

MR. RODRIGUEZ: -- yeah, yeah.

MR. HANSEN: -- first.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Okay.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. I'd like to see if we have approval for a motion for the minutes from the July 11, 2019 meeting?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to approve the July 11, 2019 meeting transcript as minutes.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MR. GAUSE: I second.

MR. HANSEN: Member Gause. Motion has been made, first and seconded. Is there any further discussion on that document?

(No response.)
MR. HANSEN: None. All in favor, say aye.

(A chorus of ayes.)

MR. HANSEN: Nays?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: None. Motion passes.

Okay. Comments from the Chairman and Authority members. First off, on comment, as many of you all know, there's a lot going on concerning our funding. I think there's a lot of positive in the future, and there's been a lot of good work been done by everybody in this room, and particularly at this table here as well.

And I would like to continue that. I think we're on the cusp of -- we've got a new name change, a lot of new things happening with us and DMV, and I think we're on a cusp of finally being able to go in the direction that we need to do for the future, to serve law enforcement and the citizens.

I'd like to recognize former Board member Ms. Linda Kinney. Linda? Linda was a Board member for 11 years. Governor Rick Perry appointed Linda to the ABPTA Board in January 2008 and reappointed her in April 2013.

Ms. Kinney is from Dripping Springs, Texas, a retired State of Texas employee. Linda was employed with the Texas Employment Commission, which is now the Texas
Workforce Commission. Linda is a former chair of the Hays County Republican Party, and has been involved in county/state politics for many years.

Linda is married to Wally Kinney, and they have two grown daughters: Emily, who is an attorney in San Antonio, and Sarah, who is attending graduate school at Fordham University in the state of New York, and I will say, during previous sessions, you always knew where Linda stood when dealing with the Legislature.

(Applause.)

MR. HANSEN: I'd like to present you with a plaque in appreciation for your service to the people in the state of Texas and your dedication as a member from 2008 to 2019 and a thank-you card from everybody.

(Applause.)

MR. HANSEN: Don't be a stranger with us.

MS. KINNEY: I won't. Okay. I'm going to take a moment of personal privilege just to say that I have served on this Board since '08, and it's been a long 11 years, but it's been one of the most worthwhile projects I've ever, ever been a part of.

What you do is so important. They may have take the theft out of your name now, but there's still some theft going on at the Capitol. You need to get the money that you deserve, and I'm not going to stop working
for it.

(Applause.)

MR. HANSEN: You never -- we always know where she stands.

MS. KINNEY: Thank you so much.


During the IAATI Conference held in Scotland this year, Detective Carl Olavesen from Travis County Sheriff's Office, assigned to the Sheriff's Combined Taskforce, was named a recipient of the IAATI Award of Merit.

He was not able to attend the conference to receive the award, but we would like to -- recognized for all of his hard work that he does for the citizens of Texas IAATI Award of Merit was created to honor a person, group, department or company for outstanding contributions in the area.

So I think it's an honor that one of our folks be honored internationally, worldwide for that. And is he here today?

MR. HALE: No, he's not here today.

MR. HANSEN: Would you like to speak on his behalf?

MR. HALE: Sure.

MR. HALE: You're welcome. Good morning. My name is Richard Hale with Travis County Sheriff's Combined Auto Theft Taskforce. Carl Olavesen is that employee that we all wish we had that never says no. He's always willing to get involved in everything. Really coming from a background of narcotics, he had a very vast experience, obviously, before he came to auto theft. And when he came to auto theft, he just jumped right in, like a lot of us do, and he wanted to know everything and anything he could.

He's become our subject matter expert when it comes to writing trackable warrants, writing search warrants, and working with covert track to help design bait vehicles, which we learned from Bryan Sudan. Thank you very much.

And so all in all, I just want to say that a guy like this that comes across your supervision at some point in time -- everyone that works for us, we've been there before. We've worked for somebody -- they deserve accolades when they can get them, and this gentleman certainly did, and we appreciate the award that he got.

So thank you.

(Applause.)

MR. HANSEN: Next, I'd like to recognize
Detective Jim Woods from Houston Police Department. Jim was very much involved with TAVTI, IAATI. He was past TAVTI president for many, many, many years. I'm going to speak from the hip, because they've got all this, but I want to speak from the hip with him.

Jim was probably one of the most dedicated persons in vehicle crimes. Whenever HPD had something major going that was attached to a vehicle, you saw his beautiful mug on television most of the time, but he fought a long battle with cancer for nine years.

But Jim and I -- I had the honor of working with him for many, many, many years. And to tell you the kind of person he was, when one of our other members, unfortunately, Henry Canales, was killed in the line of duty -- he was an auto theft investigator killed in an undercover operation -- Jim knew that we worked together a lot with him, and I remember my phone ringing early, early on a Sunday morning, and it was a nasty day, and I saw it was him, and I thought, you know, for him to be calling me on a Sunday morning, there's nothing good about this.

And the first thing he said is, I don't want you to see this on TV, but Henry was killed. And that's just the kind of guy he was. And if you had the blessing to attend his funeral, you would see that there were law enforcement people from all over the country there.
And he will be dearly, dearly missed in our world, and thank you, God, for letting us share him. He was a true friend.

Okay. Briefing and action items that are coming up here. We're going to number two.

This is concerning our MOU with DMV, the Motor Vehicle Crimes Prevention Authority. This is a standard procedure thing that we do, particularly since there's been a name change, and there's another second part of this.

So do you want to speak?

MR. WILSON: Yeah.

MR. HANSEN: Yeah.

MR. WILSON: Yeah. Thank you. The memorandum of -- this is Bryan Wilson, for the record.

The memorandum of understanding is a document that kind of lays out the points of the statute that's required under the statute between the Texas DMV and the MVCPA.

The -- this MOU that we'll be talking about today has another part that is called a delegation order, because the statute requires that the MVCPA adopt policies, and then you need somebody to carry out those policies. So that will be a delegation to me, to make sure that when you adopt a policy -- just an example, you
set up a process for notifying TDI once somebody doesn't fail or -- when somebody fails to pay or file the insurance.

So you all can't come together, you know, every few weeks and do that, so you adopted a policy on how this is done. I will collect the evidence and provide it to the TDI to see if they'll -- because the statute requires you to notify TDI if somebody doesn't pay, and so that's just one example.

There's other examples that we have, and I'll make sure that there's a written record of each one of those, and what the source of it is. David Richards and I will make sure that those are maintained and that they're followed each time.

So this MOU -- the front part is just about the statutory relationship between the policy of the MVCPA and the management procedures or management of the agency, because the way that the Legislature structured it is that it's administratively attached to Texas DMV.

So I know that there are people here to speak on this issue today, Mr. Chairman, and so I'll turn it back over to you with that explanation. If Mr. Richards has anything else to add, then he can do so.

MR. HANSEN: Yeah. Do you have anything --

MR. WILSON: No.
MR. HANSEN: -- after I call Mr. Treviño?
MR. WILSON: No. You're okay.
MR. HANSEN: I'm very honored this morning, guys. We have Mr. Memo Treviño; he is the new Board Chair for DMV. We've already had some contact and communications in meeting with him. It's a bright light to see his willingness for us to exchange and work a lot closer together between our group and DMV.

And of course, Ms. Brewster, the executive director for DMV, is here. But I'd like to invite Mr. Treviño to come up and say a word.

MR. TREVIÑO: For the record, my name is Memo Treviño. I am the Chair of the Board of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles.

Chairman Hansen, thank you for the opportunity to appear before this Committee and you and this Committee.

And I wanted to let y'all know how much I support this MOU, but more importantly, how much I support the work that you do. To be quite honest with you, I wasn't aware of the work that you did until you came down and Bryan took us over to Chief Rodriguez's shop. And it really brought home the importance of the work that you do and what it means to the state of Texas.

And I just wanted to be here to let you know
how important we think this work is. I'd also like to recognize the newest member of our Board, Sheriff Joel Richardson. He's replacing Sheriff Gary Painter. So number one, I'd like to welcome him to the Board.

So you do have good representation from law enforcement. And we had excellent -- he's got big shoes to fill --

MR. HANSEN: Yeah.

MR. TREVIÑO: -- big boots to fill after Sheriff Painter, and I would like to remember him in front of this group, and all the work that he did for the citizens of the state of Texas. So --

MR. HANSEN: Welcome, Sheriff. Thank you. Yeah, Sheriff Painter was involved with vehicles crimes way back for many, many years, and he was a loyal supporter for our group and TAVTI as well.

MR. TREVIÑO: Well, please let me what I can do for you in the future. If I can answer any questions, please let me know.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you. It's an honor to be here. FYI to everybody: We're going to be attending their meeting tomorrow and hopefully it's going to become a regular occurrence to have a lot more exchange of information with your group. So thank you --

MR. TREVIÑO: I look forward --
MR. HANSEN: -- very, very much.

MR. TREVIÑO: -- to welcoming you tomorrow.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you.

(Applause.)

MR. HANSEN: As Mr. Wilson said, we've got the MOU and the delegated authority thing. They're listed similar together on the agenda, but we're going to split and do a separate vote on these separately because, in a roundabout way, they are separate items.

So do we have any motions?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to approve the memorandum of understanding between the MVCPA and the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, as displayed on page 15 through 17 of the ABTPA Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MS. HUNTER: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Hunter. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, well, I'll call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the MOU with MVCPA and DMV, as displayed on pages 15 and 16 of the Board book? All in favor?

(A chorus of ayes.)
MR. HANSEN: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Good. Motion passes.

Mike, do you want to do the second part of this as well?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to approve the delegation order from the Authority to the MVCPA director, as displayed on page 18 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MS. HUNTER: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Hunter, as well. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, I call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the delegation order from the Authority to the MVCPA director, as displayed on page 18 of the board book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same sign?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. Thank you very much. Mr. Treviño, again, thank you very much for being here today.
Moving right along here, Consider Adoption of Administration Code Title 43, Part 3, Chapter 57 Rules.

MR. WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Bryan Wilson, for the record. I will ask members -- we have kind of a strange set-up today, and so if you don't mind, when you speak, the court reporter can't see our names and doesn't have them memorized, so if you don't mind saying your name as often as possible when you're speaking, I'd appreciate it, just for consideration on the transcripts.

The rules were adopted -- or published for comment back on I guess it was the June meeting before -- when we did the grant award statements. And this set of rules only dealt with changing the name from ABTPA to Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority.

It also dealt with -- there was a funny little thing where it says "definition of motor vehicle" which, after close review, our statute has a definition of motor vehicle, so you can't really adopt a rule that trumps the statute.

So what we did was -- what the definition was, was -- motor vehicle insurance was defined as -- we just added the word "insurance." And then the rest of it was -- there was a couple of really tiny clean-ups. So this went out -- you know, was reviewed by the Governor's
Office.

It was -- went out for public comment. We received one comment, which is listed in your book. But basically it was about the amount of insurance fees that are paid, which is not -- it's not a subject covered by this rule.

So with that, and now that we've published it out and received only one comment that we can't reconcile -- you as an Authority can't reconcile that comment -- the staff recommends that you go ahead and do a final adoption on this set of rules.

MR. HANSEN: A motion?

MR. GAUSE: Mr. Chairman, Shay Gause. I'd like to make a motion to approve the final adoption of Board rules pursuant to 43 TAC Chapter 57, as displayed on pages 19 to 34 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Mr. Gause. Is there a second?

MR. OWEN: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Owen. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion on this?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Hearing none, I call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the MVCPA rules as displayed on pages 19 through 34 of the Authority meeting
book for final adoption, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same sign?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes.

Moving right along to number four. Mr. Wilson?

MR. WILSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Bryan Wilson. We'll go through several of these items over the next -- part of your statutory obligation is to collect funds from a fee on auto -- all auto insurance policies, based on the motor vehicle years.

And then the other part of your statutory duty is that when somebody overpays, that you refund that money, if it's substantiated that they overpaid. So what we'll be presenting here today is just a series -- I think there's, I guess, five, but two of them are together in one motion.

So the first one is Electric Insurance Company. They submitted a request that you find on page 38. That -- we've reviewed their material, their supporting documentation, and then their amended returns. It's a small amount of money.

The way staff currently handles this is the more -- the higher level of request, the higher level of
scrutiny so that we can try to manage our time. We still have this little grant thing going on in the background. So anyway, this -- we've looked at it.

We've confirmed the payments that they did make with the Comptroller. And so the staff recommends that we submit a refund of -- ask the Comptroller to provide a refund to Electric Insurance Company in the amount of $3,328.

MR. HANSEN: Before we move forward, I'd like for Mr. Wilson to remind the group out here of, when we have to do a reimbursement, where those funds come from, versus affecting our funds available to you for grants.

MR. WILSON: Correct. So the funds are actually deposited into the general fund. Mr. Richards did some research a few years ago, I guess about the time I first started, and so there was a big concern that these funds, when we refunded them, and were coming out of the appropriation, but that's not the case.

There is an account established for the deposit of these funds, and then when these funds are refunded, it comes out of the general funds account that's dedicated for the collection of these funds. It's not out of the appropriation to Texas DMV.

MR. RICHARDS: Mr. Chairman, if I may, before we take a vote or entertain a motion on this, Ms. Hunter,
Mr. Gause, for the record, make your statement?

MS. HUNTER: Member Hunter. For the record, I will recuse myself from any deliberation.

MR. GAUSE: Member Gause. I recuse myself as well.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you. And for everybody's knowledge, because they're both in the insurance industry and these are insurance issues, we handle it that way, so they'll know. So do we have a motion on 4(A)?

MR. OWEN: Mr. Chairman, Justin Owen. I'd like to make a motion to approve or deny the insurance refund request of Electric Insurance, as displayed on pages 36 through 43 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Approve or deny?

MR. OWEN: Yes.

MR. HANSEN: Approve?

MR. OWEN: Yes.

MR. HANSEN: Okay, okay, okay.

MR. OWEN: Approve --

MR. HANSEN: Yeah.

MR. OWEN: -- the record.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: I'll second.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Member Rodriguez. A motion has been made and further seconded. Is there any further
discussion concerning this?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. All those in favor of approving the insurance request refund of Electric Insurance, as displayed on pages 36 through 43 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same sign?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. Bitco?

MR. WILSON: Yes, sir. So thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Bryan Wilson. For -- to draw your attention to page 44, we don't usually do this, but under the circumstances, we felt that they came in as two separate refunds, but because the action staff is recommending that you take, we put them together for expediency purposes.

These two insurance companies filed separate claims. We reviewed -- it was a much larger demand for payment, and so we of course -- as I told you earlier, we'd give it greater scrutiny, but also some of the information was inconsistent with other data that we had provided by the Comptroller.

So upon review -- I'll draw your attention to
page 45. We -- they sent us about 267 pages of
documentation of their policy list, and we didn't have
time to go through every single transaction, but we did
pull -- Dan Price, our CPA, pulled five distinct
transactions out of that -- out of those records, and then
to give you an example of what we found in their policy
distributions, they -- on -- for instance, on top of page
45, just one example was they had 187 vehicles that were
moved into the -- into their policies or sold policies
that represented for 187 vehicles, the expected value at
$2.

At the time that this refund request was $374,
and so they only paid $4.75. So we are not -- we are
recommending that we deny this refund request, and -- for
this and other reasons, and then move forward. We'll give
them notice, and then actually I'll probably have a letter
that says we believe that the evidence shows that you owe
us additional funds.

So staff recommends that we deny this request.

MR. HANSEN: Any motion on 4(B)?

MR. OWEN: Mr. Chairman, Justin Owen. I'd like
to make a motion to deny the insurance refund request of
Bitco General Insurance, as displayed on pages 44 through
45 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: The motion is that we deny
payment?

MS. WHITEHILL: Yes, sir.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Is there a second?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: I'll second.

MS. WHITEHILL: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Whitehill? A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, I call for vote. All those in favor of approving the insurance -- denying the insurance request of Bitco General Insurance as displayed on page 44 and 45 of the Authority meeting book, please raise your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same action?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: The motion passes. Another Bitco claim, 4(C). Mr. Wilson?

MR. WILSON: I'm sorry. We were --

MR. RICHARDS: No, just --

MR. WILSON: -- supposed to --

MR. HANSEN: Okay.

MR. RICHARDS: He's already talked about it.

MR. WILSON: I did.

MR. HANSEN: So you're done with both of these?
MR. WILSON: I did the presentations together, but the scripts are separate, so I apologize.

MR. HANSEN: So we need to do it again?

MR. WILSON: I did -- yeah.

MR. RICHARDS: Well, this is --

MR. HANSEN: Okay. This is -- because there was two claims from Bitco Insurance Company, under Bitco General and Bitco National, FYI. Is there a motion?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Are we denying both --

MR. HANSEN: Yes.

MR. RICHARDS: It's what the recommendation was. Yes.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to deny the insurance refund request of Bitco National Insurance, as displayed on page 45 through -- 44 through 45 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MR. OWEN: Second.

MS. WHITEHILL: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Whitehill. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion concerning this?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, I call for a vote.

All those in favor of denying the insurance refund request
of Bitco Insurance -- National Insurance as displayed on pages 44-45 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed, same sign.

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: The motion passes.

4(D), Wilson.

MR. WILSON: Thank you. This is Bryan Wilson, for the record. On 4(D), I draw your attention to page 46. This is one of those unusual items that -- I mean -- so one of the things that -- during the session with House Bill 2424, which was the 85th Session, two sessions ago, there was a bill passed that the ABTPA at the time only had a six-months window to do a refund.

And from that time to the beginnings of ABTPA, I -- for the committee, the Senate committee that was examining this, they asked me how many times -- we had done 11 in -- I don't know -- was that 18, 19 years at that time -- no, 20 years.

Now we're getting them pretty regularly, because House Bill 2424 extended the window out to four years. Just a little bit of context. So that's why we're getting so many of these. Now, this one came in -- we discussed it with the insurance committee on a
The problem was -- this one is -- the submission was quite errant, so it came to us from an email that said the people were -- the submitter was at 1234 Main Street, Anywhere, Ohio. And because of the nature of the submission and the conflicting data within the document itself, we submitted it to TDI for examination, but our recommendation is that when we get stuff like this, it's just totally irrational or inconsistent, that we shouldn't spend our time going to the merits of the refund request without -- and so what we're recommending that this just be not -- be denied because of the inconsistencies with the submission.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, sir. Motion?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would make a motion to deny the insurance refund request of Security National Insurance, as displayed on page 46 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, sir. Is there a second?

MR. OWEN: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Owen. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.
All those in favor of denying the insurance refund request of Security National Insurance as displayed on page 46 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed, same sign.

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: The motion passes.

Mr. Wilson, (E) -- 4(E).

MR. WILSON: Okay. So I'm sorry. I did it again. We have a little disconnect between the presentation and the motions. There were two companies that came under the same banner and the same incoherent submissions.

The first one that you just did was AmTrust Insurance Company of Kansas. The second one was a parallel company owned by the same, and it's called Security National, so it would be this --

MR. HANSEN: The one we just did was the Security National. So --

MR. WILSON: Okay. Then --

MR. HANSEN: -- we need to do the AmTrust.

MR. WILSON: Correct.

MR. OWEN: Mr. Chairman?

MR. WILSON: Yes, sir?
MR. OWEN: Justin Owen. I'd like to make a motion to deny the insurance refund request of AmTrust Insurance Company of Texas, as displayed on page 46 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MS. WHITEHILL: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Whitehill. Thank you. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.

All those in favor of denying the insurance claim from AmTrust Insurance Company of Texas, as displayed on page 46 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Seeing none, motion passes. Thank you.

Okay. Consider for adoption MVCPA Strategic Vision.

MR. WILSON: This is Bryan Wilson, for the record. Because, as I explained earlier to the Authority, that the -- we're administratively attached to Texas DMV,
one of the things that is statutorily of DMV is to submit every -- I believe every two years a strategic plan to the Governor's Office that lays out the vision, the purpose, the activities that the agency is going to engage in.

It's usually a five-year strategic plan, but they do it every two years to update it. So we don't -- so MVCPA doesn't submit its own plan, but it folds into DMV as a -- so I operate as a division, and my staff and I operate as a division of MVCPA.

So the way that we feather that together -- and I don't know that we've ever been this formal about it, but I think it's time to go ahead and have the authority, because I've always turned into something to you guys, and I've shared it. I told you what it was. Hey, I did this. But I think it's better to just kind of start at the top and go down. So for years, we needed a better way to articulate. You know, Mr. Treviño, I really appreciate, because that's the reality of what we find everywhere we go.

These guys go out there every day and work so hard, and yet he's like, wow, I didn't even know this was going on in my own backyard. And he was so grateful to see what this other piece was. Right? And so we're kind of trying to -- now that you've got a new name, a little bit different mission, we need to take some time and think
about what our mission or our -- here, you have your vision statement, your mission, your philosophy.

This folds in as much as -- I mean, literally, at the time I was writing it, I was writing it for us, but I was looking at DMV's and trying to feather them together in everywhere we could. We're not the same. We have a different mission and a statutory purpose, and we're not letting go of what the statutory -- and I think this reflects it.

But what I'd like you to do is consider, and hopefully you've had time to read this section. I've called most of you and had discussions to try to look over this. Does this make sense? It's gone through -- like I said, I've tried to feather it with DMV's material.

It's gone to the TAVTI Board. It's been sent out very broadly. We've had a teleconference with the TAVTI members. So it's -- done all the stakeholder outreach that I can, but I just need you to consider it. If it makes sense to you, if it's consistent with what you believe that we should be doing, and then ultimately, this should be consistent with our funding strategies, with our -- with what we do in our space.

We don't have the whole world, but the space that you've been appointed to -- by the Governor to represent, that you have a clear, agreed-upon vision,
mission and philosophy.

MR. HANSEN: Before we take a vote, a comment
on that is that I want to thank Mr. Wilson for the work on
all this. He's coordinated with almost everyone here, but
there's been a tremendous, also, increase not only with
DMV but a lot more interaction in getting TAVTI -- Lee
Garza is the president of TAVTI.

Would you stand for just a second? Dallas PD.
He is the current president. To be involved in this,
because a lot of the TAVTI members are not taskforce
members, but they share the goals and objectives that we
all do.

So there's been a lot more interaction between
the two organizations in just about everything we're
doing, and I think we're starting to reap benefits from
both of that.

So I just wanted to say thank you to TAVTI and
to DMV for working with us on these things here.

And thank you, Mr. Wilson, for putting all this
together.

MR. WILSON: Thank you, Chair.

MR. HANSEN: Agenda 5(A), do we have a motion?

MS. HUNTER: Mr. Chairman, I make a motion to
approve the MVCPA vision, mission and goals as displayed
on page 48 of the Authority meeting book.
MR. HANSEN: Thank you, ma'am. Is there a second?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: I'll second.

MR. HANSEN: Rodriguez. A motion has been made and further seconded. Any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, I call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the MVCPA vision, mission and goals as displayed on page 48 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same sign?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. Strategic goals.

MR. WILSON: So one of the things that -- another issue, as a division of DMV that we're required to provide is what we call strategic initiatives, things we're going to work on for the next several years. And there was -- I felt like we were moving into a space that I really wanted you to be aware of and make sure that you got to participate.

Many of you individually have been active in some of these -- the elements of some of these, but you haven't necessarily together seen them and had them discussed. So I wanted to take a few minutes and go...
through the initiatives that we're working on the office and that we'll be turning in to DMV as our strategic initiatives and being held accountable to these specific items.

So the first one is the law enforcement funding and networking initiative. And so I -- you know, to be clear, we're already doing funding for law enforcement. That's the primary amount of our funds. But we're moving into a different space in the sense -- we're hiring Robert Sutton.

Just wave your hand, Robert. He's -- Robert came without about 13 years in law enforcement experience out of the United States Air Force recently. We're working on getting him TCOLE certified. Yesterday many of -- at -- I know Member Rodriguez, Chief Rodriguez, has been going around the state, meeting with our taskforces, and we're seeing that there's some missing elements of communication and networking.

And so we held a training yesterday morning before the committee meeting, with the FBI, to begin setting up some new network protocols and communication that many of the taskforces have agreed to pilot for us.

So I just -- I don't want to like nail down every single thing, but I want you to know that this is a
really important priority, to improve our networking. That's always been part of our vision and goal. So I recommend that the -- these -- and I don't know if you have these together or -- no. They're together? So --

MR. RICHARDS: They're all together.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. The second one is a statewide communication and an education initiative, which again, we've always done. It's always been part of our mission and goals.

But what's kind of changing is -- when we hired Tessie Ajala, who -- I'm sorry -- couldn't be here today, is with his wife in surgery; she's having surgery today. But what -- he came from the National Crime Prevention and had a whole new set of skills, that he's been taking classes at the Austin Film School to begin producing material. We've had discussion within NICB about creating original content.

I think Bryan Roden had NICB camera crews come down to do a law enforcement training with some new techniques that were being used for stolen cars. So law enforcement has those resources.

So we're really moving into kind of a different area, and I -- again, I wanted to kind of outline broadly what that initiative is and make sure that you have -- that you're supporting what we're working on at the office
when you're busy doing all the important stuff that y'all do.

And then the last one is -- we've never really formalized the -- I've certainly worked with legal counsel, I've worked with lots of shareholders to try to do a better job of collection.

But the Board's never really participated in a better -- you know, that we should have an initiative that does a better job of establishing clear processes, communication with Texas Department of Insurance -- I can't say the acronym -- and the other shareholders, the Comptroller, to make sure that we have a strategic initiative to work on your behalf to clarify what our roles are, what our processes are, and so that's what I'm recommending, that you adopt these initiatives and give us direction and approval to move forward.

Are there any questions? Yes, sir?

MR. OWEN: What agency would carry the commission for the TCOLE?

MR. HANSEN: We -- Robert, do you want to speak to that, what TCOLE shared with you?

MR. SUTTON: Sure.

MR. HANSEN: Go ahead and come to the mic, please. So --

MR. SUTTON: So with my experience with the law
enforcement military, myself, I would be TCOLE-certified during that point. Basically since we do have an ORI number, we are law enforcement, not agency. However, we do conduct law enforcement TCOLE hours.

And so from there, we would still be able to hold the TCOLE certification, as far as being an agency that I can still serve TCOLE hours.

MR. WILSON: Thank you.

MR. SUTTON: Any more questions, sir?

MR. HANSEN: But it won't be commissioned to a specific agency, just TCOLE?

MR. WILSON: Yeah. I want to be clear: no arrests, no guns. It's about being able -- like the FBI Virtual Command Center. Because he's TCOLE-certified, he can -- he will now be qualified to help coordinate the taskforces in some of their communication and facilitate that, but it's not a gun-and-badge thing and going out and arresting.

So I'm glad you brought that up. That's not our intention, and there's no plan for that part of the business. It's just -- carrying that certification opens the doors for us to do a better job of networking, and that's the initiative.

MR. OWEN: I appreciate that clarification.

MR. WILSON: Thank you. That's a great --
MR. HANSEN: Tommy Hansen. A comment on the insurance collections.

I think, as we saw in the denial earlier, probably for a long time -- but staff size has made it very difficult to get a grip on that -- that there are probably lots and lots and lots of dollars that we should be collecting and hopefully we will be getting, that we have not, because of some of the insurance companies not appropriately paying their fees, or thinking that they're above that.

We had an interesting meeting with a representative from an insurance company recently concerning that. So I think, following with this in the future -- and hopefully, we'll discuss later some additional staffing -- we can address this, which would be a very positive thing for all involved for our future funding.

Any other questions for Mr. Wilson or --

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Do we have how many people -- how many agencies attended yesterday's training, the demo?

MR. WILSON: Robert, did you get how many agencies attended?

MR. SUTTON: Not offhand, but I think it was 20 agencies.

MR. WILSON: Twenty of the 24. So --
MR. RODRIGUEZ: That's a good number.

MR. WILSON: Yes.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: And so one of the insurance --

I can explain what we're trying to do here. So one of the
things that we saw, when looking into several of the

taskforces, was the fact that some of them don't

communicate amongst each other.

So in looking at a software program or an idea
to bring up to share the information, we came up with the
Virtual Command Center from the FBI to be able to
communicate better amongst taskforces. A lot of the
taskforces are confusing that they would report to that
one program, and it's not that.

This is more amongst the taskforces that are
MVCPA-funded that are doing the work, and that there will
be better communication amongst them. So in talking to --

for example, this morning, I spoke to Eagle Pass, and
they're talking about the influx of vehicles going down
35, and DPS and Webb County is so -- getting those
vehicles on that county line.

But at the same time, they're calling them to
go to that location, and Laredo is faster to get there
than Eagle Pass. But they're getting the information, and
then we didn't know about that information. So that's the
reason why I think this Virtual Command Center is really,
really important and we need to keep pushing for it.

MR. HANSEN: Yeah. There's been a lot of
discussion on this. There was a regional program, Bay
Area investigators. Actually, Darren Schlosser with HPD
was very active in that.

We had about 1,200 investigators on there from
around the state, but the plug got pulled because there
was some sensitive material going across non-secure lines,
and so it was perfect timing for having this as a possible
option, but if not anything, it increased a lot more
dialogue to look at options to do that and continue the
great work that was accomplished by that site.

Thanks to HPD for having Darren here yesterday.
So we're hoping that this will be a -- if we don't use
this exact thing, it was a lot of dialogue to point us in
the direction of building an intelligence-sharing thing
that hopefully beyond, in the future, once we get it
squared up, could be then moved on to other police
agencies and share with other groups around the state.

So it was well done. Thank you.

5(B), do we have a motion?

MS. HUNTER: Mr. Chairman, I would like to
make a motion to approve of the MVCPA strategic goals
involving: one, law enforcement funding and networking
initiatives; two, statewide communication and education
initiatives; and three, insurance collections as a refund, as displayed on pages 49 through 51 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Member Hunter. Is there a second?

MR. OWEN: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Owen. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the MVCPA strategic goals and displayed on pages 49 through 51 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same motion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. Thank you very much.

5(C)?

MR. WILSON: This is probably one of the most controversial things you will ever take on. But quite honestly, now that we send so many letters back and forth to insurers and other parties, one of the things that's -- you know, we've always had that "Watch Your Car," which is the trademark logo, but nowhere does it really say the
state of Texas. It says, you know, Texas Automobile and Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority.

And so now -- but we're sending out a lot more letters, and especially official letters, on behalf of the State of Texas. So we talked about updating with our mission and -- to get a new logo.

And I've kind of winnowed down -- we did a graphic design artist contract through DMV. We got them to -- we told them -- Chairman Hansen gave some kind of general guidelines.

We want the State of Texas representation. We want representation that's consistent with our law enforcement overarching things. They gave six or eight original ones. I kicked some of them out that just didn't seem to meet any of those criteria, and now I've brought before you the four that -- these are -- the graphic design artist says, Do everything in black and white.

And then we can come back -- I mean, of course, the State Seal already has an approved color scheme, the gold star, the blue background and all that. So that's not something we would change if we decide -- there can be one of these items.

Like Robert has suggested, maybe -- and then Tommy had -- you know, maybe taking a blue line as representation of law enforcement, and just go across
the -- a thin blue line across the swath of one of these.

So that's totally up to you. But I mean, at some point, we'll have to have a motion before I can proceed, and then I'll close out the contract by putting any changes that you suggest into the final contract, and then they will give me a nice, beautiful AI file that we'll use for all of our future correspondence and will represent the agency.

So that's stuff, but I leave it to you. Are there any questions and do you have any suggestions?

MS. HUNTER: So you want us a decision today?

MR. WILSON: Yes, I would like that.

MS. HUNTER: All right.

MR. WILSON: Okay. It's only one of four --

MS. HUNTER: Right.

MR. WILSON: -- a multiple-choice question.

MR. HANSEN: And we're going to have a little discussion on some thoughts concerning these. To me, we've -- by changing our name, we're trying to change our image. You know, before with the "prevention" in our name, I think most people thought we were a bunch of cops going to AARP meetings, handing out brochures to little old ladies, which we do that, but that wasn't our priority thing.

So that's where we -- the "motor vehicle crime"
came in because we've now expanded our responsibilities to
do things that we were mostly doing anyway, but now we can
do it with approval. My thoughts in looking at these was
number two; I think it looks more like a badge.

We could replace this, the State of Texas name,
and put the logo on the top. And then we were considering
where the two V's on the bottom of that is, remove those,
and put the thin blue line across the bottom of that, and
I think that would give it more of a badge -- but what it
does, in my opinion, and everybody -- we're going to go
around the table -- is it makes very clear in great big
letters in the middle, of who we are.

We are the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention
Authority, which is the message that we're trying to get
across in our graphic and our logos. I see applause back
there. Are you okay with that? So those are just some
suggestions that I thought, is kind of put the state logo
on the top, versus just the words, and the thin blue line
across the bottom.

I think, because everyone, even most John Q.
Citizens now, recognize the thin blue line and the red
line and whatnot, of what that represents, law enforcement
and our fallen, and I think recognizing them would be
appropriate.

So we'll go around the table. Ms. Hunter?
MS. HUNTER: Oh, I like number four. That's me.

MR. HANSEN: Number four? Okay.

MS. HUNTER: I don't know if you're going to get a consensus this way.

MR. WILSON: Well, you can always delegate to me, and I'll design it, so --

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Owen?

MR. WILSON: -- but --

MR. OWEN: I like number four.

MS. HUNTER: Well, maybe we may. I don't know.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Mr. Rodriguez?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: I like two with the changes of putting the state seal instead of that star --

MR. HANSEN: Okay.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: -- on top.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Gause?

MR. GAUSE: I like two with the change.

MR. HANSEN: Here's the deal breaker.

MS. WHITEHILL: Oh, no.

MR. WILSON: No pressure, no pressure.

MR. HANSEN: No pressure. You need to get on the bloc. No pressure.

MS. WHITEHILL: First meeting. No, I --

MR. HANSEN: This might help.
MS. WHITEHILL: -- like two with the changes also.

MR. HANSEN: Okay.

MS. WHITEHILL: But you know, could also delegate it to you, but I like two.

MR. WILSON: No. I think it's better this way.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Well, we have a four-to-two vote, so -- on that. And then also, on the next page, we need to discuss -- and I think these are pretty good as they stand, but we've got the "Watch Your Car"?

MR. RICHARDS: We're not --

MR. WILSON: No. I'm sorry.

MR. HANSEN: We're not going to do that?

MR. WILSON: I just was showing you the other things that we have trademarked, and we'll continue to maintain our trademark. I want to be clear. Anything that we developed through our -- like our -- you know, our newest one is the "If You Like It, Lock It."

A graphic design artist for NICB did that. So we -- each one of these we trademark, and then we do license agreements with our grantees or any law enforcement that wants to use it. They're all welcome to. We don't charge anything for our trademark usage, but they do have to make -- they have to sign an agreement that's a real simple agreement that says you're not going
to make fun of it or do it -- you know, do it in a negative light or anything like that.

MR. HANSEN: Well, we'll scratch that deal. But it is the -- those logos have been well known, recognized, and I'm glad we're going to continue with that. So --

MR. WILSON: Just --

MR. HANSEN: So we're just going to -- yeah.

MR. WILSON: Go ahead.

MR. HANSEN: Well, yeah. We're just going to --

MR. WILSON: I would like to go ahead and just restate what the changes are.

MALE VOICE: Thank you.

MR. WILSON: So the State of Texas at the top of this number two will be removed, and the lines and the star will be replaced with the state seal, just a simple state seal, State of Texas. And then a blue line -- the two chevrons at the bottom of the badge will be removed, and one solid blue line from corner to corner at the bottom of that.

I guess it's kind of almost a parallelogram, or the two corners on the right and the left, at the bottom, not the apex. A line will be drawn, and will provide a thin blue line. So that's the verbal description for the
record of what I'm trying to do.

So that was -- do you understand?

MS. WHITEHILL: Uh-huh.

MR. WILSON: Okay.

MR. HANSEN: Okay.

MR. WILSON: Thank you. So number two was the choice by a vote. Do we have a motion?

MR. GAUSE: Mr. Chairman, Shay Gause. I'd like to make a motion to approve the MVCPA logo choice number two, with edits, as displayed on page --

MR. HANSEN: Fifty-two.

MR. GAUSE: -- 52 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Is there a second?

MS. WHITEHILL: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Whitehill. A motion has been made, a further second. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.

All those in favor of approving MVCPA choice number two, with modifications, as displayed on page 52 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed?
(A show of hands.)

MS. HUNTER: I don't like it.

MR. HANSEN: All right. Hey, you're honest.

MS. HUNTER: At least I don't have to see it.

MR. HANSEN: I appreciate the honesty. We're good to that. Motion passes.

MR. WILSON: Or are we going to have a motion to reconsider?

MR. HANSEN: Good conversation always --

Number six, LAR.

MR. WILSON: Okay. I really apologize. We tried to cover this in committee. Mr. Rodriguez, do you want to present these items, or do you want me to? Since these were committee items, so --

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Go ahead.

MR. WILSON: Okay. So I will present these as committee items, so they don't require a second. You're welcome to second them if you want to. But the first one is a little confusing, and I apologize, but it's just because of the nature of state government and the way that things are presented.

So what we have is a new statute that hasn't -- we really don't know what the instructions of that new statute are. The budget for 2022 and 2023 have not been created. So we're way -- in the old agreement, the old
memorandum of understanding, what used to happen is this Board would decide something in June, after the instructions had come out for the legislative appropriations request.

But because of the strategic planning process being in March and so the dates are falling in such a way that I have to ask this real early, and so because of that, I'm going to show you numbers, but I don't really know what the budget riders or what the legislative instructions are going to be at the time that you're making a choice.

So what I'm -- so the motion is going to be worded in such a way -- so I'm showing you on page 55 and 56, which is the same thing, is what, based on our collections, the MVCPA, for the insurance fee, I think that 20 percent -- is what our new statute says.

You will receive 20 percent. My best guess of 20 percent that will be available to us in 2022 -- sorry. We're talking way off into the future, so bear with me. I think it's going to be 20,614,937 for 2022, and then the same -- 21,027,236 in 2023.

I don't know that today, but what I'm going to ask you to do is authorize me to work with DMV management at the time, at the appropriate time when the instructions -- and the chief financial officer, to
develop your LAR consistent with this -- but based on the budget riders' instructions.

So I know that's a little squishy, but that's the best we can do in February two years before the process starts. So -- and so this is a committee motion. It passed in committee, as -- according to your script, so you can proceed if you -- if this is -- if you're okay with us doing this.

MR. RICHARDS: The Board needs to approve.

MS. HUNTER: Okay. Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion authorizing the MVCPA director to work with the Texas DMV management and financial officer to submit the legislative appropriations request of 20 percent of the amount collected in 2021, as shown by the example displayed on pages 54 through 56 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Ms. Hunter. Is there a second?

MR. GAUSE: I'll second.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Gause. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.

All those in favor of authorizing the MVCPA director to work with Texas DMV management and financial officer to
submit the legislative appropriations request of 20 percent of the amount collected in 2021, as shown by the examples on pages 54 and 56 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. For those that won't here yesterday, the crowd -- just a little follow-up on that. You know, this next year is the second part of this biennium, so we already know what that amount is going to be, and the $4 amount collected in full wouldn't have occurred then.

So if we would have gotten 20 percent of the last amount collected, we probably would have taken a cut. So based on -- 2021 will be the first full cycle of collecting the $4, so that's why he to has wait. That's where we get that fund from, and then that would be the percentage that we hopefully will move forward to for our funding in the future.

So that's why the -- so you'll understand the delay of why we're talking '22-'23, and the '21 number. So I just wanted to make sure everybody was kind of clear on all that. Thank you.

Mr. Wilson, Plan of operation elements.
MR. WILSON: So in December 1, 2020, the MVCPA is required by law to turn in a plan of operation for the next biennium, which would be the '22-'23 session; again, consistent with the strategic plan requirements I discussed earlier and trying to kind of put all these different elements, the budget request -- because part of the strategic -- the plan of operation required by law is what does it take -- how much -- what resources and monies does it take to implement that?

So what I -- what we did is, Chairman Hansen and Chairman Rodriguez asked me to go ahead and start surveying the taskforces and then also to talk to chiefs of police and try to get law enforcement to participate. We had -- on page 57 and following, 60, we have -- and 61, is some of the summaries of these items.

So what we found, though, although we didn't have a whole lot of sheriffs -- so I reached out to Sheriffs' Association, asked them to send it out, and then also to the chiefs of police.

We didn't -- I think there's only three sheriffs in this group. So I split it, but the same questions between taskforce and chief of police and sheriff. And so that's what you're seeing represented on 57 and 58. You'll see that there are some distinct differences between what the chiefs of police -- as many
of you know, there's a statewide shortage of law enforcement officers.

I saw the other day in the Austin American-Statesman that they could only get 22 out of 127 people in the Austin Training Academy. So -- and it's been the same in San Antonio and I think Houston, and many of the other cities are having a shortage of qualified applicants that can take these positions.

So going out and just creating a lot of new positions in law enforcement, according to what I'm seeing in the chiefs of police, is consistent with what we know industry-wide, or profession-wide, is happening. So they're concerned.

So their priorities are, you know, give me equipment. Give me the -- as far as surveillance equipment, new -- like LPR surveillance -- I mean, the motor vehicle crime equipment is like license-plate readers, both stationary and other things. Surveillance equipment is like pole cams and things that watch out.

So we're seeing differences here, and that's to inform our plan of operation, that, you know, maybe we need -- we have our taskforces. We need to keep those.

We need to look at areas in Midland/Odessa. You know, I've talked to you and the Legislature in the past about expanding in specific locations, but I think a
lot of chiefs and sheriffs don't think that that's a real option for them.

And so maybe there are better -- we might have to have a new kind of grant that focuses on providing resources to existing law enforcement. So -- matter of fact, we were meeting with DPS a while back and they were, you know, saying, you know, they'd like LPRs on every single patrol vehicle, you know, every vehicle they have.

That's -- you know, that's not necessarily our role, but I'm just saying, the example, that if that even came up in a discussion with another state agency, that there's a need statewide to make sure that when the vehicle is stolen and reported, it can get as quickly as possible picked up.

So I know Travis has talked in the past about having, you know, drone technology to help find stolen cars, and gosh, that 56 cars you recovered on that lot a few months ago, you know, there were most of -- many of them were stolen, and they were just hidden out.

And so I mean, it's just amazing how, you know, surveillance equipment could really help our existing taskforces but also expand our reach to other departments.

So having said that, I've provided some -- you know, some information.

And then I've taken that information, taken our
old outline that -- where we did the statewide strategic planning session back in -- was that -- I guess it was '18, I think, and I kind of modified it with -- tried to incorporate some of the comments and -- as the planning element.

So this is just an outline. You know, we have about a 24-, 26-page report when we're done. You'll have an opportunity to see what it looks like, and the taskforces and our shareholders will get a chance to review it.

But at this point, I need to go ahead and get the outline done, so I can prepare writing the report over the next several months. So this is a committee motion. It did get approved as the outline on page 62 and 63.

And then we can go forward. If you have any questions, please let me know.

MR. GAUSE: Mr. Wilson, just a quick question on the charts. Could you maybe tell me again what the bars represent by their color?

MR. WILSON: Yeah.

MR. GAUSE: I didn't see the color code.

MR. WILSON: So the -- what I did was -- there was a lot of variation. So what I did is I took the chiefs of police and combined their first and second priority, and that's why you see at the top -- it says,
"Highest overall, first and second combined."

So I took the chiefs that had, you know, surveillance as number one or number two, put them -- collapsed them together. Same with the taskforces. So that's -- and then what I did is -- if you'll look at the chart, you'll see that like sometimes the first one or the first and second one are really high, and then they drop off, and then they're all kind of nominal after that.

So I just took the highest ones in my little list here. But this is really consistent with what we see two years ago and four years ago. So I mean, there's no surprise here. There's been a shortage of law enforcement officers statewide for many years.

It's reflected in their comments, if you look back on question one, you know, on page 56. I mean, that was one of the most common themes that, you know -- you can't just say, I'm going to make three new taskforces, and then, poof, there's going to be 20 officers standing there ready to go. That's just not going to happen.

So we've got to deal with the reality. We're -- to Major Owen's point, we're not a law enforcement agency. We don't -- we can't create or do anything to generate more law enforcement. So we have to just put our resources in line with what's -- the agencies that we're required by law to fund.
Yes, ma'am?

MS. WHITEHILL: I think I had the same question. Like, the color, the blue and the yellow, what do those --

MR. WILSON: Oh, I'm sorry. I -- did they --

MS. WHITEHILL: I think that's what --

MR. WILSON: Oh, oh. I apologize. So blue was the most important thing, and the one on the right, the green, was the least important thing. So --

MR. GAUSE: But blue doesn't necessarily reflect -- I think I had blue as chiefs and sheriffs, maybe yellow as taskforce --

MS. WHITEHILL: Yeah.

MR. WILSON: No. This -- blue is --

MR. GAUSE: -- and green as --

MR. WILSON: Blue -- when I combined one and two, the highest priorities, that created the color blue.

So the most responses for surveillance equipment, when I combine the PD and sheriff ranking, that made blue.

MS. WHITEHILL: Uh-huh.

MR. WILSON: Then the least important was the green. In other words, they were given -- it was a ranking survey, one, two, three and four.

MS. WHITEHILL: Oh --

MR. GAUSE: Okay.
MS. WHITEHILL: -- okay.

MR. WILSON: And so -- yeah. Thank you. I'm sorry. I wasn't clear enough on that. But yes. So the green was the least -- in other words, they were given the option to -- for all these items to say, is this really important, or is this less important?

MR. GAUSE: Okay.

MR. WILSON: So yeah. That is a little telling that the one on the contract services on the far right, like on the taskforces, they don't think that's particularly helpful to have a lot of contractors coming in, doing certain types of work that they -- that -- but the greens didn't really show that much.

The -- you know, like the VIN-etching equipment, that's a thing that we used to do a lot of, all over the state. Some people still do -- some departments still do VIN etching on the windows and glass. But you see that it -- like on the bottom of page 58, even our taskforces who actually do that work on a regular basis don't think it's as important as it used to be. Okay?

MS. WHITEHILL: Thank you.

MR. OWEN: For the record, Justin Owen. Mr. Chairman, I'd like to make a motion to approve the MVCPA fiscal year '22-'23 plan of operation elements as displayed on pages 62 and 63 of the Authority meeting
book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Mr. Owen.

Is there a second?

MS. HUNTER: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Hunter, thank you. A motion is made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, I call for a vote.

All those in favor of approving the MVCPA FY '22-'23 plan of operation elements, as displayed on pages 62 and 63 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed, same?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes. Okay. Exceptional items.

MR. WILSON: So when you look at the exceptional item request, I'd like permission, Mr. Chairman, to just take up the ones that the committee voted on yesterday and then discharge the rest of them until some point in the future or until they can be fully vetted.

MR. HANSEN: Okay.

MR. WILSON: So that would -- being that --
the -- if you draw your attention to page 64, 65, 66? So
65 was the only one that passed committee yesterday, and
so -- and that is to request fee collections and refund
processing unit within DMV.

And then there's some additional conditions,
that it not be part of our statutory 8 percent cap,
because it's not related to grant. It's related to the
administration of the full fee, which 60 -- or whatever --
80 percent goes somewhere else, so we're dedicated by
statute. So DMV -- the MVCPA, through DMV -- wow, that's
a lot of -- is required for collecting this money, but we
need more staff to -- we're seeing more refunds, and then
we're seeing evidence -- as I showed you earlier in this
meeting, we're seeing more evidence that a lot of people
aren't paying the fee like they're supposed to, and we
need staff to do that.

So that's the only one that passed yesterday,
and that's the one I recommend, the only one we deal with
today. And that's the -- to put in an exceptional item
request to the Texas Legislature for a fee collection and
refund processing unit.

MR. HANSEN: Question: do we have a rough,
very rough guesstimation of possibly how much fees are not
being collected that should be being collected from
insurance companies?
MR. WILSON: We just have mathematical models. We really believe -- I really believe, based on those mathematical models, that it's at least 500,000, but it could be millions. So --

MR. HANSEN: And the guesstimated cost of having employees to monitor the insurance companies, track the insurance companies and audit them, those collections, what are you looking at, a guesstimate on that?

MR. WILSON: It's at the bottom. 280,000, my best guess, using DMV --

MR. HANSEN: Okay. I just wanted to make sure everybody out here knew -- okay, okay. All right. Okay. Do we have a motion on 6(C)?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to authorize the MVCPA director to work with the Texas DMV management and the financial officer to submit exceptional item requests which include additional FTEs for assessment collections and refund processing, as displayed on page 64 and 65 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Yeah. It's just page 64.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Just 65 -- 64?

MR. HANSEN: Or 65, I mean. I'm sorry.

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Page 65.

MR. HANSEN: Now, let me ask you a legal question before we go any further. Since this is
concerning insurance collections, is okay for them to vote?

MR. RICHARDS: Oh, not for them, no.

MR. HANSEN: So y'all need to --

MR. GAUSE: So Mr. Chairman, Shay Gause. I'm going to recuse myself from the vote.

MS. HUNTER: Oh, yes. Ashley Hunter. I recuse myself from this vote.

MR. HANSEN: I'm sorry. We should have caught that first. Okay. All right. Is there a second?

MS. WHITEHILL: Second.

MS. HUNTER: Thanks for reminding me.

MR. HANSEN: Whitehill seconded the motion. The motion was seconded. The motion has been seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.

All those in favor of authorizing the MVCPA director to work with Texas DMV management and financial officer to submit exceptional item requests for additional FTEs for collections and refund processing, as on pages 64 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed, same action?
(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: None. Motion passes. Okay.

Thank you on that. Mr. Wilson?

MR. WILSON: On Item 6(D), the legislative actions, the committee yesterday decided to just pass on them. We've got several months, and I think we should take time to really think about the rest of these items, like dedicated fund and some of the other items.

So with your permission, I'd just like to pass on these at this time. It will be brought up later.

So --

MR. HANSEN: Okay. At the request of the committee yesterday, as well as Mr. Wilson, I would recommend that we table this, Item 6(D), at this moment.

Is there any objections?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, tabled. Thank you.

Number seven, bait cars?

MR. WILSON: Yes. Mr. Chairman, I'd like to call Robert Sutton to the mic and let him do the presentation for the Texas A&M Bait Car Research.

MR. SUTTON: For the record, I'm Robert Sutton, MVCPA grant coordinator. As you all know, currently, we're doing a grant with the Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M. Currently we've already --
deliverable one has already been paid, the research project summary, as you can see on page 72.

Currently we're conducting a survey -- a review of all the surveys with commanders, and then from there, we'll be doing a survey for all the agencies in Texas that are conducting bait vehicle operations.

At this time, the current end date is March 31, 2020. Due to weather conditions, holidays, and also how long it took for the surveys to be completed, we are -- they are asking for the no-cost extension for three months, and that would take it until June 30, 2020.

So staff recommends approval to extend the grant to Texas A&M to June 30, 2020.

Are there any questions?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: No questions. Motion?

MS. WHITEHILL: Kit Whitehill. Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to approve a no-cost extension with Texas A&M University for the MVCPA Bait Car Research Project, as displayed on pages 70 through 73 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Ms. Whitehill. Is there a second?

MR. GAUSE: I'll second.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Gause. A motion has been made
and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Anybody? Okay. Hearing none, call for a vote. All those in favor of approving the no-cost extension with Texas A&M University for the MVCPA Bait Car Research Project, as displayed on pages 70 and 73 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: Any opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: None. Passes. Forward --

MR. SUTTON: Thank you.

MR. HANSEN: -- with number eight. Okay.

MR. WILSON: So I call your attention to page 75. And then the underlined sections and bolded sections are the additions to what you've seen in the past.

And so after discussion with the members and kind of confirming with most of you, if you -- if I didn't get a hold of you, this is -- yell now, as far as continuing on the appointments.

Mr. Chairman, this is -- this issue pertains to the committee member appointments, which is your responsibility. With former member Linda Kinney no longer in the Authority, we are replacing Ms. Kinney on the
education and legislative committee with -- pursuant to
the discussion, Mr. Gause has agreed to serve as chairman,
and Ms. Whitehill on the committee.

So this committee has its own charge, and I
call your attention to those details. And we've asked --
since now, the statutory authority is the MVCPA director
that's responsible for providing the -- I guess -- what do
you call it -- carrying out your policies.

So each committee is now charged with
identifying if there's any policy that needs to be
developed for the MVCPA director to carry out. Okay?

So I just recommend --

MR. HANSEN: Can I do --

MR. WILSON: -- that you make the appointments.

MR. HANSEN: Any objections or any questions to
any of this?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. For the record, I'd like to
appoint members Mike Rodriguez as chair; Justin Owen and
Ashley Hunter to the grants, budget and reports committee.

Insurance collections and refund committee, Armin Mizani,
chair; Ashley Hunter and Shay Gause.

And the education and legislative committee,
Shay Gause, chair; Kit Whitehill and Mike Rodriguez.

Those are the requests. This does not require a vote. So
if there's any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: If not, we'll move forward. None.

Okay. All right. Done.

Number nine, Mr. Wilson.

MR. WILSON: Sorry. Just a moment.

Mr. Chairman, we've reached out to the Texas Department of Insurance about past correspondence and issues. We're kind of doing a reset. I'd like the -- I know we put this a week or so, you know, 10 days or so, on the agenda.

I'd like to just pass on this moment, give legal counsel, myself, and others to work out some issues with the Texas Department of Insurance before we proceed on any actions.

MR. HANSEN: The recommendation of Mr. Wilson and Mr. Richards that we table this at this point in time. Any conversation or questions?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Number nine down.

Move on. Number 10.

MR. WILSON: Closely tied to that issue, but not exactly the same -- so several -- about -- I think it's two and a half years ago -- we issued, after over a year of me sending out to the insurance shareholders, you
know, for comments -- What do you think about this? Is this good? You know, doing a lot of informal work -- we issued a set of rules that were intended to correct some old -- I guess AG opinions that came down after -- I guess we adopted rules, AG opinions said those rules are inappropriate. It was giving exceptions where exceptions weren't allowed by law, and so -- but the rules never got withdrawn.

And so what I did was try to get shareholders -- of course, they cried, you know, that -- after we published rules, this Board published the rules for comment, we got lots of comments, despite not having any for over a year.

So I think it's time. I've reached out to the insurance shareholders, TDI, others that are willing to participate in developing some rules for us to fix -- we still have these problems that in conflict with the Attorney General opinion.

So we need to take a reset -- and I'm asking you to allow me to set up an advisory committee. The advisory committee is part of our statutory authority, or this Board's statutory authority. So you can go ahead and appoint me to -- direct me to set it up, and then I'll reach out to the shareholders; Mr. Richards, the legal counsel; others, that will get together, come back with a
proposed set of rules -- advise you on a set of rules to go forward.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Any other conversation before we move forward?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Do we have a motion for this?

MS. HUNTER: Mr. Chairman, I make a motion to provide authorization to the MVCPA director to assemble an advisory committee or work group for a period of time ending on or before February 1, 2021, to consider recommendations for updating and revising Title 43, Chapter 57 rules as they relate to collections, refunds, auditing, and reporting of the fee assessment, as displayed on pages 77 through 79 of the Authority meeting book.

MR. HANSEN: Do we have a second?

MR. RODRIGUEZ: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Mr. Rodriguez. Motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, all those in favor of authorizing the MVCPA director to assemble an advisory committee or work group for the duration of February 1, 2021, to consider recommendations for updating and revising Title 43, Chapter 57 rules relating to the
collections, refunds, auditing and reporting the fee assessment, as displayed on pages 77 through 79 of the Authority meeting book, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: Any opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Motion passes.

Grant closeout, Mr. Wilson?

MR. WILSON: Just a quick report from Mr. Robert Sutton, please.

MR. SUTTON: For the record, I'm Robert Sutton. During fiscal year '18, there was no formal closeout and no formal way of knowing what was all done and what was completed for each grant for the next year.

So in fiscal year '19, we made sure by doing so there's a formal closeout. This includes making sure all of the prior supports were completed, all of the expense reports were paid off, everything was completed throughout the whole entire fiscal year.

By then, we made sure that we have actual closeout procedures. That way, we can continue that in the future. During the closeout, as part of the Public Education Awareness Initiative, we also did a $200,000 grant awarded to NICB. During this time, we were able to
conduct public awareness to further combat vehicle theft, and we are able to obtain trailer locks, license plate fasteners, DNA labels.

We had the "If You Like It, Lock It" campaign, "Lock, Take & Hide" signs, trailer locks, and tri-fold brochures to give out to the public, to just keep that awareness out there, as you can see on pages 83 and 84. Are there any questions? Thank you.

MR. WILSON: One small correction to the -- he said 2018, but the audit findings were in 2014. We've done closeouts every year and made sure that we manage closeouts every year since then. So --

MR. HANSEN: I will say, on the closeouts, we've looked at the numbers in years past, and we've become much more efficient of spending our money than we were, giving the State of Texas money back. So thank you.

We're going to do the next one, and then we're going to take a real short break.

Number 12?

MR. WILSON: Okay. This is a committee-approved motion, so it doesn't require a second. The -- every two years, we publish a Grant Administrative Manual. Obviously, this year, we -- and this is the clean copy that we -- you know, because it could make the Board book several hundred pages.
But the significant changes were changing from Automobile Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority to Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority. And then after that there was a few technical changes about some issues that were being caused by and related to overtime.

And so this will go out one more time. If you authorize me to publish this, then you will do it one more time, send it out for final comments as a draft. We don't take very many detailed edits, but this will -- consistently with what it will look like.

So -- and so you don't really authorize this specific document, but just for me to publish on your behalf.

MR. HANSEN: Okay. Do I have a motion for number 12?

MS. WHITEHILL: Yes. Kit Whitehill. Mr. Chairman, I make a motion to provide authorization to the MVCPA director to publish the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Grant Administrative Manual.

MR. HANSEN: Can I have a second?

MS. HUNTER: Second.

MR. HANSEN: Ms. Hunter. A motion has been made and seconded. Is there any further discussion?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Hearing none, call for a vote.
All those in favor of authorizing the MVCPA director to publish the FY '20-'21 Grant Administrative Manual, please signify by raising your right hand.

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All those opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Seeing none, passes. The time is 10:27. Take about 10 minutes.

(A short recess was taken.)

MR. HANSEN: Okay. We've got everybody? Time is 10:42. Let the record reflect that, and we are going to resume. We're almost done, folks.

Number 13, Mr. Wilson?

MR. WILSON: I just want to remind everybody, if you have a public comment, whether an item or -- pick up a form and then make sure to turn that in before we get to the public comment section.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. This is Bryan Wilson, for the record. The next item, I'm going to ask Mr. Dan Price to speak to the status of our current budget -- budgets.

MR. PRICE: For the record, my name is Dan Price. I'm the grant auditor for MVCPA. On page 140 and 141, you have the grant reports that were prepared by our finance department.
I would like to point out, on page 140, that there is $787,835 which is currently not encumbered for grants at this point. We anticipate that at the next Board meeting, which is planned for June, that you will be using that money to apply towards other grants.

On page 141, this is where we are winding up the year on AY 2019. There -- at the time this was produced on 12/31, there were still a few remaining payments outstanding.

We do anticipate, based on the other page that you referred to earlier, Mr. Hansen, that we will have about 209,000 lapse in grant funds, and we'll have about 29,000 lapse in administrative funds, which is pretty good compared with our historical record.

Does anybody have any other questions?

(No response.)

MR. PRICE: Thank you.

MR. HANSEN: Activities and analysis? What else do we got left here?

MR. WILSON: So on grant activities, one of the things that the -- this Board did, the Authority did, back -- I think it was June of last year, but it might have been -- was adopted a Rapid Response Strike Force. And you set up a policy that was one of the -- you remember, I said we were going to -- I was now responsible
for managing your policies?

So the Rapid Response Strike Force we did with the City of Houston was a first pilot project. I know at the time we discussed this in the meeting, y'all wanted to do like 10 in the first year, and I was, like, oh, I don't think I can pull off 10.

But we did do one. It was -- so under the policy, $4,999 is what I can do. When a sheriff or police agency asks me for assistance, I can do that up to that amount.

The committee, the grants, budget and report committee, can do up to $15,000, and then anything above that, to $50,000, which is the largest Rapid Response Strike Force, can be approved by the full Authority.

So the Governor and the LBB authorized us to carry forward some money from '18 to '19. So one of the things we did, we did the Bait Car Research that you approved the extension on. The other thing we did was obligated into future years, through our current grant program, our taskforce system.

And the last one we did was a small pilot project. I appreciate City of Houston for being our guinea pig. It wasn't too painful, although we -- it was a stab at trying to do something new, and they worked -- they were very kind to work through it with us.
But what it was was the -- what is it --

Customs and Border Patrol, CBP, asked them to go and do an event where they were going to go to the City of Houston and look for illegal activity under certain conditions: Homeland Security, City of Houston patrol.

I think y'all have some other organizations that were a part of that. If I'm speaking wrong, shake your head no. But basically it was going to be a pretty big sweep. So there was a joke that day that I said, well, you know, they did it for one day.

They made the application for one day. And I said, ah, you know, it could rain that day. So maybe you should do it for like 30 days. And guess what happened? Did I jinx it or did I jinx it? Because a giant thunderstorm rolled off the coast and hit the city of Houston on the day that they were supposed to do it, and luckily they had signed it for 30 days.

So they went back out with CBP at a later date, and so -- but unfortunately, they couldn't get all the officers to do the sweep within the unit. So it was overtime. They were going to go and look -- inspect cars that were there.

They only ended up, of the $4,999, doing about $1200 worth of overtime, if I'm -- is that about right? 12-, $1500 worth of overtime. And then -- but they found,
packed up in cars ready for shipping out of the United States, five stolen vehicles.

They -- and then that's what the after-action report -- they estimated they would have five arrest warrants. They did one. They didn't get any hits on LPRs.

They thought they were going to inspect about 20 cars. They inspected 52 cars. And then they thought they were going to recover two vehicles. They did five. And then they also arrested an unrelated burglary case that was going on while they were out there. So great work.

It was our first, you know. It was a good crawl before we could walk. I hope in the future we'll do lots more. Remember, this is for any need, immediate need for any agency. I know Travis County is kicking around an idea based on some calls from sheriffs in their area to help them out.

We will -- depending on what the amount is, it will either come to me at 4,999 or come to the committee. So I'm excited about the opportunities that this new policy, that this Authority adopted. So anyway, that's -- and then I just gave you some additional paper so you could see how it worked.

I need to work on the forms. I -- we tried it
out with the action report on the application, and that
didn't work out really well. So with Houston's input,
we'll try to -- we'll do whatever we can to streamline the
process, because, I mean, it is a Rapid Response Strike
Force, and sometimes we don't want the paperwork to get --
we have to be accountable, but we don't want the paperwork
to be all -- getting all caught up in the paperwork.

So thank you.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you, Houston PD.

MR. WILSON: Okay. We're having -- the next
item. I'm going to move on through these activity --
grant activities. This is Robert Sutton, about the grant
adjustment report.

MR. SUTTON: For the record, I'm Robert Sutton.

During anytime during the fiscal year, grantees may
submit a grant adjustment, which basically -- for
anything -- changes in the actual application. So if
there were a need to change income into travel, to take a
certain amount of money into overtime, they would conduct
a grant adjustment.

During fiscal year 2020, so far we have 12 of
them. There's five budget changes, seven program changes,
and then zero budget and program changes combined. And
then for fiscal year 2019, we have 43 total, 28 budget
changes, 10 program changes, two combined budget and
program changes, and then three were either not submitted or finished or we had administrative closed them.

Do you have any questions?

(No response.)

MR. SUTTON: Thank you.

MR. HANSEN: Thank you.

MR. WILSON: Mr. Chairman, thank you. Mr. Ajala is not here today, so I'll just go ahead and do this quickly. One of the things that we do consistently is to try to get notices out.

The Governor issued a National Night Out. We participated all over. Many of taskforces participated in National Night Out and many other events. We sent out -- this description is on here, just for the record, to show all the different things that we try to do.

We reach out through govDelivery to remind sheriffs and police officers or communities about locking their car. Anytime we get hits where, like -- I know Stan Davis in Mansfield a while back did a really cool commercial or sent out a commercial with -- it was kind of ominous, kind of -- you know, about stealing -- breaking into cars, flipping doors and stealing a gun.

It was Burleson Police Department, Stan? Is that right? And so we sent that out through social media.

We try to leverage, taking every opportunity to get the
message out. So not all thefts and burglaries can be prevented, but a lot of them can, and we just have to keep that message out there.

So letting you know that we're working on that constantly and making sure that we magnify whatever our taskforces are doing and trying to encourage them to magnify our message.

So for the next one, I'll move on to the training. So Mary's not looking at me, so I think she wants me to do it.

So for FY '19, we conducted four training events through the help of our taskforces, Bryan Sudan -- I'm probably going to get in trouble for not remembering everybody -- Stan, and so many others, that organize and do this. Harris County is real active in it. And many others, that I'm sorry; I'm probably dropping the ball by not remembering everybody. But our taskforces do this.

MR. HANSEN: TAVTI.

MR. WILSON: And the TAVTI organization, which we've said TAVTI numerous times in this record, so one time, for the record, that would be the Texas Association of Auto Theft Investigators.

MR. HANSEN: Vehicle Theft Investigators.

MR. WILSON: -- Vehicle Theft Investigators.

Dang it.
So anyway, we trained a total of 367 students last year. The Authority budgeted $20,000; we only spent about $11,100, just an update on that. The other thing is through our contacts with TAVTI and the NICB, at one of the meetings, we came up that there was really no training for auto theft analysts, criminal intelligence analysts specifically for auto theft.

So NICB is -- and we worked with -- thank you, Major Owen, for coordinating with us. So we trained both DPS analysts and taskforce analysts, and there was 26 different students on our side.

And then whenever we couldn't fill the positions -- and DPS was very gracious to allow NICB to use their crime lab so it could be real time, on a computer. They have what do you call it -- I guess computer lab or whatever. And so we're really grateful for that coordination through Major Owen and DPS helping us expand our knowledge on criminal intelligence related to auto theft.

So then another issue -- Dan, are you okay with me doing this? So on the collections side, on page 20 -- I'm sorry -- 159, just to let you know, we have done everything we can possibly do and think of to reach out to the insurance shareholders to make sure that this money is being collected.
I appreciate Dan, and he does a tremendous job about thinking about new ways to get the message out. We -- this is on page 159. We -- there's Wolters Kluwer that insurance agencies rely on for information and updates.

And so we got that confirmed, that they had published the new rate change and the name of our agency change, so insurance companies would know to correct that information.

TDI, we reached out to them with official notice. They issued a notice to all the insurers to change the name and adjust their rates to the new fee. So everything we can think of to do, we do on a regular basis.

We've been working with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts to -- so you know, during this one session -- our fee is collected twice a year, so this last section was done where it was three months of $2 and three months of $4, so we had to get the word out and design a special form that will be used for the March 1 report for the insurers. That's on page 160.

Okay. In June, you authorized the Texas DMV to issue a contract with the Comptroller to assist us in collecting and doing those functions. This is just to let you know that DMV did execute that contract, starting on
We also -- just to kind of help protect our interests for the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention, David and the legal office helped us coordinate the publication, to just -- this is in a -- it's what they call the Texas Register.

In addition, you know, like anytime we do rules or whatever, it goes in the rules section. But the Secretary of State does general publications for -- to -- when something's important that the state agencies or state entities need to call out.

So we developed one to just kind of tell the world, hey, we're now the MVCPA, and the fee is no longer $2, but $4. So it's a fail-safe to just make sure that if anybody comes back and says, I didn't know, well, we did our best to get it out everywhere we could.

Are there any questions so far?

(No response.)

MR. WILSON: The letters on page -- the letters from Chairman Hansen to the Governor and to the Legislative Budget Board thanking them and kind of giving a synopsis of what we did with the funds, so again, we did not have unexpended balance authority, so any money that was not spent within a biennium always went back to the State Treasury.
That was -- sometimes is a loss to this Authority and to the taskforces of about as much as a half a million dollars on some years. And so the Governor and the Legislative Budget Board gave us authority to carry that within the biennium.

Now, this amount that we were looking at earlier on the closeout, that's across a biennium, so therefore, that money will go to the general Treasury. But the -- within the biennium, because starting with this year and going into next year, we will be able to carry forward those funds as a matter of appropriation from here on out.

But this kind of came about for DMV as well as ourselves, because this agency took a risk and you -- this Authority said -- reached out to the Governor and the LBB and says, we need this authority.

And they gave it to you in the interim, and now it's part of our appropriations. So it's pretty cool that we stuck up for it after we got that $2-1/2 million cut, and it ended up being very well for us.

So -- but then what -- you know, it's kind like the old -- there's an old story about some guys getting something, some benefit, and only one of them turned back, and I just wanted to be the one that turned back and said thank you.
So in this case, we took time to write a letter to those agencies that helped coordinate our additional funds and told them what we did with it. And again, thanks for everybody that participated and helped do it.

I just -- one of the requirements of DMV is to report on your behalf for the Appropriations Act. It's a requirement of the Texas Appropriations Act, that we have to do a special -- so of the 12.9 million you're appropriated each year, 10.8 million is appropriated on the biennium for you to allocate it to border and port security.

So that -- so -- and in addition, we have to report to the Legislature every six months what you did with the money. So this is the first report. It's just an advisement to let you know we've issued the report.

Again, as I talked earlier, here's our "Like It and Lock It" trademark, that we will always protect our trademarks, and anything that we develop, we will trademark and protect ourselves.

So I wanted to let you know, when the name change occurred, and we don't have to use them, but we did lock up with the Texas Department of Information Resources, that MVCPA.texas.gov and TXMVCPA.texas.gov -- now, the reason I did that is we've secured them so that later on, if we need to have opportunities to open up
websites, we have those names protected, and -- not that any other state agency is going to be MVCPA, but it's better to just do it while you can.

The last two things that I want to advise you on is the -- Governor Abbott, in September, after the El Paso shootings, issued an executive order to the Governor's Office and all state agencies -- and most of these pertain to DPS.

And I've reached out to Wynn Reynolds, our former Board member, about anything that we could do to assist, let us know, but specifically, order number eight.

Now, our grants were already issued prior to this executive order coming out. But for future meetings and future grant awards, we need to look and consider whether number eight should be incorporated, because it is a Governor executive order, to make sure that that is occurring in our grants as well.

So it's -- and the last thing that we just received advisement on -- oh, I'm sorry. There's one more thing related to things that we need to think about in the future is -- there was a state law passed last session that requires Board members that meet certain criteria to conduct -- to complete cyber security training, so we'll be working with DMV. If you apply as members, then we'll be asking you to attend that training.
And then the last thing, although you've heard from him several times today, Mr. Chairman, is that Robert Sutton is our newest employee, and this is an introduction for him. Thank you. But he's already been up several times, so it's kind of like old hat now. So old news.

That concludes the reports, the director's reports, Mr. Chairman. I don't think I missed anything, but are there any questions?

MR. HANSEN: Any comments or questions from the Board?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: I'd like to say kudos to the staff, for the people out in the audience. As you can tell by these reports, there's a tremendous amount of stuff going on behind the scenes to hopefully make our life better in the future, and we're going to continue to make those efforts.

Last call, public comment?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Well, okay. We have nothing for executive session. So unless there's any further business, I would like to entertain a motion to adjourn.

MS. HUNTER: I make the motion to adjourn.

MR. HANSEN: A second by?

MR. OWEN: I second.
MR. HANSEN: Mr. Owen, we'll take him first.

All in favor?

(A show of hands.)

MR. HANSEN: All opposed?

(No response.)

MR. HANSEN: Let the record reflect the vote is unanimous. Ayes have it. It is now 11:04. We are done.

(Whereupon, at 11:04 a.m., the meeting was adjourned.)
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