



## Legislation Text

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### Resolution - Approval of Appointment of PEC's General Assembly Representative to Capital Area Council of Governments - M Viesca

Submitted By: Wendy Gloor on behalf of Mike Viesca

Department: Public Affairs

**Financial Impact and Cost/Benefit Considerations:** Annual Dues for Public Utilities: \$500.00. Expenditure of Cooperative funds estimated in the amount of \$500 currently included in the Cooperative's 2019 operating budget for Capital Area Council of Governments annual dues; expenditures of staff time estimated in amount of five hours (other than ordinary processing requirements).

#### BACKGROUND:

Formed in 1970 and one of 24 councils of governments in Texas, the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) is a voluntary association that serves as an advocate, planner, and coordinator on important regional issues in the 10-county Austin metropolitan area. CAPCOG's General Assembly (GA) is composed of the official representatives of all member organizations, including cities and counties as well as school districts, chambers of commerce, nonprofits, and any other organization that has an interest in COG programs and regionalism in general. The population of the cities and counties determine how many GA representatives and at-large seats they may fill. PEC is an "Associate Member" and qualifies for one (1) position on CAPCOG General Assembly based on State Data Center's most recent population estimates.

To be eligible for membership in the Capital Area Council of Governments, a local government or other organization or individual must be located, in whole or part, in State Planning Region 12 which is comprised of the following counties: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson.

Full Membership (voting) consists of State Planning Region 12 counties and municipalities, and **Associate Membership (voting)** is comprised of independent and common school districts; water, drainage, conservation and sewer, hospital and other special-purpose governmental districts; other local, state, and federal governmental units or agencies; **publicly and privately owned public utilities**; and nonprofit organizations specifically concerned with health, welfare, economic, or civic development, if these organizations' membership is approved by the CAPCOG Executive Committee.

The General Assembly meets at least twice per year and is responsible for approving the CAPCOG annual budget and amendments to the CAPCOG bylaws as well as approving to approve/appoint members to CAPCOG's Executive Committee. In late summer, the General Assembly elects a Nominating Committee charged with soliciting and recommending membership on the Executive Committee at the General Assembly's annual meeting in December. **The PEC General Assembly representative will review all recommendations with leadership prior to all GA meetings.**

The Director of Community Engagement previously served in this role. Shannon Johnson, Public Affairs and Policy Advisor, is proposed to represent PEC.

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COOPERATIVE, that Shannon Johnson, is hereby appointed and designated to serve as PEC's General Assembly Representative to the Capital Area Council of Governments effective July 19, 2019.