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AGENDA

*Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
HCMPO Conference Room
510 South Pleasantview Drive
Weslaco, TX.
Tuesday, August 2, 2011
@ 1:30 PM*

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| 1) Roll Call | | Chairman |
| 2) Approval of Minutes of July 05, 2011 | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 3) Cost Over-Run Project(s) (If Needed) | (ACTION ITEM) | TxDOT |
| 4) Discussion & Approval of FY2010-2011 UPWP Amendment | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 5) Discussion & Approval of FY2012-2013 UPWP | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 6) Discussion & Approval of Proposition 12 Funds | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 7) Discussion & Approval to support an application for the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 8) Monthly Letting Update | (DISCUSSION ITEM) | TxDOT |
| 9) Staff Report | (UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| A. Calendar: August & September 2011 | | |
| B. Legislative / RTAP Update | | |
| C. HCMPO Budget Report | | |
| 10) HCRMA Update | (UPDATE) | HCRMA |
| 11) Valley Metro | (UPDATE) | VALLEY METRO |
| 12) Metro | (UPDATE) | METRO |
| 13) Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District | (UPDATE) | HCCRD |
| 14) Old or New Business | (UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM) | Chairman |
| 15) Adjournment | # # # # # # | # |

HIDALGO COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting – Tuesday, August 02, 2011

HCMPO Conference Room

Weslaco, TX.

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AGENDA

*Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Policy Committee Meeting
HCMPO Conference Room
510 South Pleasantview Drive
August 18, 2011
@ 5:30 PM*

TAB I	ROLL CALL		
TAB II	CITIZEN'S INPUT		
TAB III	PRESENTATIONS / ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEM(S)		
	A. Approval of Minutes from July 21, 2011	(ACTION ITEM)	CHAIRMAN
	B. Discussion & Approval of FY2010-2011 UPWP Amendment #3	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	C. Discussion & Adoption of FY2012-2013 UPWP	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	D. Discussion & Approval to support an application for the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	E. Discussion of Proposition 12 Funds	(DISCUSSION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	F. Monthly Letting Update	(DISCUSSION ITEM)	TxDOT
TAB IV	STAFF REPORT	(UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	A. Calendar: September & October 2011		
	B. Legislative / RTAP Update		
	C. HCMPO Budget Report		
TAB V	OFF SYSTEM REPORT	(UPDATE)	PROJECT ENGINEERS
TAB VI	TxDOT CONSTRUCTION REPORT	(UPDATE)	TxDOT
TAB VII	HIDALGO COUNTY RMA	(UPDATE)	HCRMA
TAB VIII	HIDALGO COUNTY COMMUTER RAIL DISTRICT	(UPDATE)	HCCRD
TAB IX	VALLEY METRO	(UPDATE)	VALLEY METRO
TAB X	METRO	(UPDATE)	METRO
TAB XI	OLD OR NEW BUSINESS	(UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM)	CHAIRMAN
TAB XII	ADJOURNMENT		

Hidalgo County MPO
Transportation Policy Committee Meeting
August 18, 2011

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	NAME	ENTITY AND ADDRESS	PHONE	FAX	E-MAIL ADDRESS
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5.	Homer Bazzon	TxDOT	702-6214		Homer.Bazzon@txdot.gov
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MEMO

To: Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #3, Joe Flores

From: Jacinto Garza, P.E.

Date: August 16, 2011

RE: Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO) Policy Committee Meeting,
August 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. – Action Items and Recommendations

Desk Of: Anthony Garza

As your Technical Representative for the Hidalgo County MPO, attached for your use and information, is the Policy Committee Meeting Agenda and Packet for the upcoming meeting to be held on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

We have reviewed the agenda items that are to be discussed and we would like to advise you that the following item(s) require your attention. We are therefore giving you our recommendations.

TAB III PRESENTATIONS / ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

B. Discussion & Approval of FY2010-2011 UPWP Amendment #3 (**ACTION ITEM**) MPO STAFF

C. Discussion & Adoption of FY2012-2013 UPWP (**ACTION ITEM**) MPO STAFF

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

The MPO staff has been working to update the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), a document that is produced annually, describes all of the regionally significant surface-transportation planning projects expected to be undertaken in the region in a federal fiscal year. It also lists the funding source or sources federal, state, and/or local for each planning project.

The UPWP has been updated to reflect advertisements in movie theatres and an update of the membership of several transportation planning committees. Some budgetary changes were made to the UPWP; however, they resulted in no net increase in overall expenditures.

WE RECOMMEND:

Approval of the UPWP.

D. Discussion & Approval to support an application for the Sustainable (**ACTION ITEM**) MPO STAFF
Communities Regional Planning Grant Program

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

The Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program supports metropolitan and multijurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments.

WE RECOMMEND:

Approval of support for the application.

E. Discussion of Proposition 12 Funds **(DISCUSSION ITEM)** MPO STAFF

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

\$600 Million in TxDOT proposition 12 funding was distributed to MPO's statewide recently. The HCMPO received \$21.28 million in prop 12 funding from TxDOT. This was a \$1.8 million increase over what the MPO was initially going to receive. Minor changes to the TIP and MTP will be needed before the end of the year to reflect these additional funds.

cc: Hidalgo County Judge, Ramon Garcia
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #1, Joel Quintanilla
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #2, Hector "Tito" Palacios
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #4, Joseph Palacios

AGENDA

HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
4:30 PM, MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2011
HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM
ADMINISTRATION BLDG, 1ST FLOOR
100 E. CANO
EDINBURG, TEXAS
PRESIDING: DENNIS BURLESON, CHAIRMAN

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM
2. PUBLIC COMMENT
3. GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS:
 - A. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for 7/19 and 7/27
 - B. Consideration and Approval of Expense Report for August 2011
 - C. Consideration and Approval of Financial Reports – Cheryl Bellamy, SAS, LLP.
4. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
 - A. Status update on
 1. HCRMA Roadway System Projects – Godfrey Garza
 2. Update on Negotiations with Surveying and Engineering Firms for TCC – Godfrey Garza
 4. Tiger Grant III Application – Godfrey Garza
 5. Pass Through Projects - Jody Ellington, P.E., TxDOT
 6. HCMPO Policy Committee Meeting (Proposition 12 funds) – Andrew Canon
 7. Update on Project Finance – Richard Ramirez, First Southwest
 8. Environmental Process for IBTC – Dan Rios, Legal Counsel
 - B. Discussion, consideration and approval of term sheet for Interlocal Governmental Agreement between Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority – **Resolution 2011-24**
 - C. Discussion, Consideration and approval of Letter to Hidalgo County Commissioners Court requesting financial support for the HCRMA Roadway System Projects – **Resolution 2011-26**
 - D. Discussion, consideration and approval of Lease Agreement with City of Pharr for Building – **Resolution 2011-27**
 - E. Discussion, consideration and approval to re-open proposal for Executive Director as a full time position – **Resolution 2011-28**
 - F. Discussion, consideration and selection of Toll Integration/Traffic Management Service – **Resolution 2011-29**
 - G. Interviews (if necessary) and Selection of firm(s) for General Consulting and Program Management Professional Services – **Resolution 2011-30**
5. Chairman's Report – Dennis Burleson
 - A. Correspondence from TxDOT regarding FM 755

AGENDA

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE:
 - A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney
 - B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property
 - C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated and/or acted upon in a different order than numbered above. The Board of Directors of the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority (HCRMA) reserves the right to adjourn into Executive (Closed) Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act. No final action will be taken in Executive Session.

PUBLIC INPUT POLICY

Public Input Policy: "At the beginning of each HCRMA meeting, the HCRMA will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one-half (1/2) hour in length and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the HCRMA must be signed up to do so, prior to the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public an opportunity to address issues or topics that are under the jurisdiction of the HCRMA. For issues or topics which are not otherwise part of the posted agenda for the meeting, HCRMA members may direct staff to investigate the issue or topic further. No action or discussion shall be taken on issues or topics which are not part of the posted agenda for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chairman as these items are considered, and the same time limitations (3 minutes) applies."



MEMO

To: Hidalgo County Judge, Ramon Garcia
From: Jacinto Garza, P.E.
Date: August 24, 2011
RE: Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority (HCRMA) Meeting,
August 22, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. – Progress Report

Desk Of: Anthony Garza

As your Technical Representative for the Hidalgo County MPO attached for your use and information, is the HCRMA Meeting Agenda for the meeting held on Monday August 22, 2011 at 4:30 p.m. We have reviewed the agenda items that were discussed as they relate to Hidalgo County and we provide the following progress report.

4. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Status update on

2. Update on Negotiations with Surveying and Engineering Firms for TCC – Godfrey Garza

The RMA has completed negotiations with both surveying firms and TxDOT is providing final comments. Negotiations with engineering firm S&B Infrastructure are complete. Negotiations with L&G engineering are still underway and are pending an itemized review by TxDOT as requested by the planning committee.

4. Tiger Grant III Application – Godfrey Garza

S&B Infrastructure has provided a proposal to prepare TIGER III applications for the RMA. It is under review.

5. Pass Through Projects - Jody Ellington, P.E., TxDOT

TxDOT reported no changes to the existing Pass through agreements on US 281, TCC, and FM 755 projects..

6. HCMPO Policy Committee Meeting (Proposition 12 funds) – Andrew Canon

Andrew Canon gave a brief presentation regarding how proposition 12 funds have assisted the funding of HCRMA projects.

7. Update on Project Finance – Richard Ramirez, First Southwest

Mr. Ramirez reported that bond rates had gone down and the atmosphere for getting financing had recently improved.

8. Environmental Process for IBTC – Dan Rios, Legal Counsel

Mr. Dan Rios (atty.) reported that the environmental process for the IBTC project was near completion and the TCC environmental process was pending additional engineering data.

B. Discussion, consideration and approval of term sheet for Interlocal Governmental Agreement between Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority – **Resolution 2011-24**

The RMA turned down the proposal by Hidalgo County Precinct 3 to assist in developing the La Joya bypass project.

Additionally the RMA approved an alternate term sheet for the Interlocal Government Agreement between Hidalgo County and the RMA in which the RMA would be the developing entity for the La Joya Bypass and handle any related procurement in house.

C. Discussion, Consideration and approval of Letter to Hidalgo County Commissioners Court requesting financial support for the HCRMA Roadway System Projects – **Resolution 2011-26**

The RMA agreed to prepare a letter requesting financial support from Hidalgo County.

D. Discussion, consideration and approval of Lease Agreement with City of Pharr for Building – **Resolution 2011-27**

The RMA passed a resolution furthering coordination with the City of Pharr to relocate the RMA offices.

E. Discussion, consideration and approval to re-open proposal for Executive Director as a full time position – **Resolution 2011-28**

The RMA passed a resolution to re-open the proposal for an Executive Director as a full time position beginning September 15, 2011.

F. Discussion, consideration and selection of Toll Integration/Traffic Management Service – **Resolution 2011-29**

The RMA tabled the resolution to select a Toll Integration / Traffic Management firm pending input from the GEC.

G. Interviews (if necessary) and Selection of firm(s) for General Consulting and Program Management Professional Services – **Resolution 2011-30**

The RMA heard presentations from the 3 short listed firms and scored and ranked them as listed below.

1. Dannenbaum Engineering
2. HNTB
3. LAN Engineering

A resolution was passed to begin negotiations with Dannenbaum Engineering as GEC for the HCRMA.

If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding an item that was not addressed, please advise.

cc: Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #1, Joel Quintanilla
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #2, Hector "Tito" Palacios
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #3, Joe Flores
Hidalgo Co. Comm. Pct. #4, Joseph Palacios



HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (HCRMA)

BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2011

LRGVDC TRANSPORTATION CENTER

HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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September 1, 2011

Hidalgo County
Budget Office
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RE: PROGRESS REPORT
On-call Services for the HCMPO and HCRMA and Traffic Studies –
Work Authorization No. 1 Contract #C-11-054-04-12

Dear Judge Garcia and County Commissioners,

Attached is our invoice for the month of August 2011. This invoice covers the basic fee associated for attending Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO) technical and policy meetings, and the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority (HCRMA) meeting(s). The following tasks were accomplished this month.

- August 2011 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCMPO Technical Committee agenda. Anthony Garza attended the meeting and the sign in sheet is attached.
- August 2011 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCMPO Policy Committee agenda and packet, provided the attached recommendations and information to Commissioner Joe Flores. Anthony Garza attended the meeting and the sign in sheet is attached.
- August 2011 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCRMA meeting agenda(s) and attended the meeting. The agenda(s), progress report, and sign in sheet(s) are attached.

Attached are the narrative reports provided to Commissioner Joe Flores for the HCMPO Policy and RMA meetings. These recommendations are also sent to the County Judge and remaining commissioners.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to give me a call at (956) 565-9813.

Sincerely,

Jacinto Garza, P.E.
CEO / President

Attachments

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HCMPO POLICY MTG

August 2011 Meeting

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