

March 1, 2013

Hidalgo County  
Budget Office  
Attn: Sergio Cruz  
2818 S. Bus. Hwy 281  
Edinburg, TX 78539

**RE: PROGRESS REPORT**

**Activities at the HCMPO, HCRMA, and Traffic Studies for the month of February 2013  
Work Authorization No. 1 Contract #C-11-054-04-12**

Dear Judge Garcia and County Commissioners,

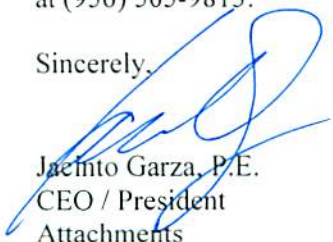
Attached is our invoice for the month of February 2013. This invoice covers the basic fee associated for attending Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO) technical and policy meetings, and the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority (HCRMA) meeting. No traffic studies were conducted or requested during this time period.

The following tasks were accomplished this month.

- February 2013 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCMPO TAC agenda and packet. Anthony Garza attended the meeting(s) and the sign in sheet is attached.
- February 2013 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCMPO Policy Committee agenda and packet, provided recommendations and information to Commissioners Court. Anthony Garza attended the meeting and the sign in sheet is attached.
- February 2013 – Jacinto Garza P.E. and Anthony Garza reviewed the HCRMA meeting agenda. Anthony Garza attended the meeting and the agenda and narrative report provided to the court regarding the events at the meeting and the sign in sheet are attached.

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

L & G Consulting Engineers Inc  
2100 W. Expressway 83  
Mercedes, TX 78570  
(956) 565-9813 Fax (956) 565-9018

INVOICE #: 11324394  
INVOICE DATE: 02/28/13

**BILL TO:**

Hidalgo County  
100 E. Cano  
Edinburg, TX 78539

**JOB:** 110101

HCMPO - On Call Eng Services  
Contract#C-11-054-04-12  
2818 S. Bus Hwy 281  
Edinburg, TX 78539

---

**HCMPO POLICY MTG**

February 2013

1.00 mtg      2327.560 / mtg      2,327.56

**HCMPO POLICY MTG TOTAL:**      2,327.56

**HCMPO TECH MEETING**

February 2013

1.00 mtg      2327.560 / mtg      2,327.56

**HCMPO TECH MEETING TOTAL:**      2,327.56

**HCRMA STATUS & PROG**

February 2013

1.00 mtg      2327.560 / mtg      2,327.56

**HCRMA STATUS & PROG TOTAL:**      2,327.56

**TOTAL**      6,982.68

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Project Manager's Signature

# AGENDA

*Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting*

**HCMPO Conference Room  
510 South Pleasantview Drive  
Weslaco, TX.**

**Tuesday, February 05, 2013  
@ 1:30 P.M.**

- |  |                                     |              |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1) Roll Call   |                                     | Chairman     |
| 2) Approval of Minutes of:<br>➤ January 8, 2013                    | (ACTION ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 3) Cost Over-Run Project(s) (If Needed)                            | (ACTION ITEM)                       | TxDOT        |
| 4) Discussion & Approval of CMP Evaluations                        | (ACTION ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 5) Discussion & Approval of FY2012-13 UPWP Amendment #2            | (ACTION ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 6) Discussion & Approval of Criteria for Enhancement               | (ACTION ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 7) Discussion & Approval of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan | (ACTION ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 8) Update on HCMPO Certification                                   | (UPDATE ITEM)                       | MPO Staff    |
| 9) Monthly Letting Update  | (UPDATE ITEM)                       | TxDOT        |
| 10) Staff Report   | (UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff    |
| A. Calendar: February & March 2013                                 |                                     |              |
| B. Legislative / RTAP Update                                       |                                     |              |
| C. HCMPO Budget Report   |                                     |              |
| D. HCMPO Project Update  |                                     |              |
| E. Director's Update   |                                     |              |
| ➤ UPWP   |                                     |              |
| 11) HCRMA Update   | (UPDATE)                            | HCRMA        |
| 12) Valley Metro   | (UPDATE)                            | VALLEY METRO |
| 13) Metro  | (UPDATE)                            | METRO        |
| 14) Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District                          | (UPDATE)                            | HCCRD        |
| 15) Old or New Business  | (UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM) | Chairman     |
| 16) Adjournment  |                                     |              |

# HIDALGO COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Technical Advisory Committee Meeting – Tuesday, February 5, 2013

HCMPO Conference Room

Weslaco, TX.

**PLEASE PRINT**

	NAME	ENTITY AND ADDRESS	PHONE	FAX	E-MAIL ADDRESS
1.	CRAIG STONG	1201 E Express 83 Mission	424-7898		cstong@tedsi.com
2.	Joe Torres	1935 Jth 7 McAllen	537-4077		jftorres34@gmail.com
3.	Pat Taylor	McAllen	681-1210		
4.	Sandy Salinas	San Juan			ssalinas@sanjuanedc.com
5.	Dora Robles	Pharr	702-5355		dora.robles@pharr-tx.gov
6.	Anthony Berra	Lch/Conty			
7.	Homer Bezzon	TxDOT	702-6214		
8.	Norma Y. Garza	TxDOT	702-6180		
9.	Joe A. Calik	C/Mission	585-1909		
10.	Jim Edge	HCCRD			
11.	Juan R. Lopez	Edinburg	388-8202		
12.	Jaime S. Sandoval	Alamo			
13.	Xavier Cervantes	San Juan	223-2220		xcervantes@cityofsanjuantexas.com
14.	Eric Davila	HERMA PML	682-4677		erz.davila@dumburn.com
15.					

# AGENDA

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization

Transportation Policy Committee Meeting

HCMPO Conference Room

510 South Pleasantview Drive

February 21, 2013

@ 5:30 PM

TAB I	ROLL CALL		
TAB II	CITIZEN'S INPUT		
TAB III	PRESENTATIONS / ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEM(S)		
	A. Approval of Minutes	(ACTION ITEM)	CHAIRMAN
	➤ January 24, 2013		
	B. Discussion & Approval to Enter Into Negotiations with COPLAN for the CMP	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	C. Discussion & Approval of FY2012-13 UPWP Amendment #2	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	D. Discussion & Approval of Criteria for Enhancement	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	E. Discussion & Approval of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan	(ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	F. Update on HCMPO Certification	(UPDATE ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	G. Monthly Letting Update	(UPDATE ITEM)	TxDOT
TAB IV	STAFF REPORT	(UPDATE / DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEM)	MPO STAFF
	A. Calendar: March & April 2013		
	B. Legislative / RTAP Update		
	C. HCMPO Budget Report		
	D. HCMPO Project Update		
	E. Director's Update		
	• Update on HCMPO Policy Training		
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**  
**February 21, 2013**

**PLEASE PRINT**

	NAME	ENTITY AND ADDRESS	PHONE	FAX	E-MAIL ADDRESS
1.	Shundreka R. Cowan	FHWA	512.536.5932		shundreka.givan@dot.gov
2.	Georgi Ann Jasenovec	FHWA-Texas	512-536-5921		georgi-jasenovec@dot.gov
3.	Oscar Cuello	Penitas	240-1106		oscarpenitas@yahoo.com
4.	Jose Campos	FHWA-TX	512-536-5932		jose.campos@dot.gov
5.	Raymond C. Gandy	TXDOT-Tulsa, OK	946-702-6092		
6.	Anthony Garcia				
7.	Michael Estrada	City of Donna	456 467 3314		michael.estrada@cityofdonna.com
8.	Tom Logan	Valley Metro			logan@valmetransit.org
9.	JUAN A. Sustaita, Jr	TXDOT	702-6338		
10.	Sergio Cantu	TXDOT	702-6262		
11.	Joe Ochop	Hid. Co. Pct 4	383-3112		Joe.Ochop@hidalgoco.tx.us
12.	ROBERTO SALINAS	CITY OF MISSION	98-222-4549		rsalinas@missiontx.us
13.	Scott Crane	McAllen	495-5000		
14.	Gerardo Tafolla	Weslco	475-430		jerrytafolla@gmail.com
15.	Ed Cyber	McAllen	681-1250		



**MEMO**

To: Hidalgo Co. Judge, Ramon Garcia  
From: Jacinto Garza, P.E.  
Date: February 18, 2013  
RE: Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO) Policy Committee Meeting,  
February 21, 2013 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 made available on February 14, 2013 for the upcoming meeting to be held on Thursday, February 21, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions regarding these items or projects within your precinct contact your Technical Representative Mr. Anthony Garza at (956) 565-9813.

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 to Enter Into Negotiations with COPLAN for the CMP (ACTION ITEM) MPO STAFF**

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

The HCMPO is preparing to enter into negotiations with consultant COPLAN for the completion of the spring/summer 2013 Congestion Management Program study. A request for qualifications was posted in January 2013 and the MPO received three (3) submittals from consultants. One (1) submittal was eliminated because it was incomplete, the remaining two (2) were reviewed and scored at the February 4, 2013 TAC meeting. The scoring sheet is included in the policy packet provided by the MPO. The MPO staff is requesting action to move forward with negotiations with the number one ranked team, COPLAN.

**C. Discussion & Approval of FY2012-13 UPWP Amendment #2 (ACTION ITEM) MPO STAFF**

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

The HCMPO is preparing the Unified Planning and Work Program that serves as the MPO's planning and budgetary document. The HCMPO has requested information on any planned transportation related studies to be completed in FY 2014-2015 so that they may include it in their funding scenario and or not complete duplicate work. Language has also been included to perform a Tier 2 CMP study if funds are available.

**RECCOMENDATION:**

It is our recommendation to approve this item as presented.

D. Discussion & Approval of Criteria for Enhancement **(ACTION ITEM)** MPO STAFF

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

In late 2012 TxDOT released a call for Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects. Applications were due in December 2012. The Technical Committee has been working towards the creation of a scoring system to rank the applications for funding. The criteria currently being presented is what has been approved at the subcommittee and at TAC. The projects will be scored at the next TAC meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is our recommendation to approve this item as presented.

E. Discussion & Approval of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan **(ACTION ITEM)** MPO STAFF

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

As discussed at the previous policy meeting the HCMPO is currently developing a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) plan to assist in public involvement efforts. Currently all federal programs typically include a plan to provide outreach to non English speaking persons in the vicinity. Having a documented LEP plan will be a useful tool in furthering outreach efforts and may assist in protecting the MPO from any future LEP related litigation.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is our recommendation to approve this item as presented.

F. Update on HCMPO Certification **(UPDATE ITEM)** MPO STAFF

**TECHNICAL INFORMATION:**

Since the HCMPO is funded with Federal transportation funds the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) performs an audit and review of the HCMPO on an annual basis. The current certification is planned to occur during the week of February 18 to the 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

# HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

## NOTICE OF AND AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**DATE:** WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013  
**TIME:** 5:30 PM  
**PLACE:** PHARR CITY HALL  
2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR, CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
118 SOUTH CAGE BOULEVARD  
PHARR, TEXAS 78577

**PRESIDING: DENNIS BURLESON, CHAIRMAN**

---

### CALL TO ORDER FOR REGULAR MEETING

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### 1. REPORTS

- A. Update on SH 365 Project – Louis Jones, Program Manager
- B. Update on La Joya Relief Route – Jody Ellington, TxDOT
- C. Annual Progress Report for SH 365 – Pilar Rodriguez, HCRMA

#### 2. CONSENT AGENDA *(All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Governing Body and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, if discussion is desired, that item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. The Governing Body may also elect to go into Executive Session on any item, whether or not such item(s) are posted as an Executive Session Item, at any time during the meeting when authorized by provisions of the Open Meeting Act.)*

- A. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held January 16, 2013.
- B. Approval of Project Expense Report for Period from January 9, 2013 to February 12, 2013
- C. Approval of Financial Report for December 2012
- D. Resolution 2013-08 – Authorizing the Removal of Joe Olivarez as a Signatory on all First National Bank Accounts and the Addition of Michael Cano, Ricardo Perez, Forrest Runnels, David Guerra, Alonzo Cantu and Josue Reyes as authorized Signatories on all First National Bank Accounts

#### 3. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Resolution 2013-05 – Approval of Request from Rio Grande Valley Partnership to Participate with the 2013 Regional Mobility Study
- B. Resolution 2013-06 – Approval of Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority's 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Program
- C. Resolution 2013-07 – Approval of a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$20,000 to fund Participation with the Rio Grande Valley Partnership 2013 Regional Mobility Study

#### 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- A. Report on Texas Transportation Forum Meeting held on February 17-19, 2013, in Austin, Texas

#### 5. TABLED ITEMS

- A. Resolution 2013-04 – Extension of Professional Service Agreement for one (1) year with the Law Office of Dan Rios and Tuggey-Fernandez, LLP

#### 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION OF REAL PROPERTY), AND SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS)

- A. Consultation with Board Attorney and Financial Advisor on legal issues pertaining to financial options, including current obligations (Section 551.071 T.G.C.)

- B. Consultation with Board Attorney regarding legal issues pertaining to the scope of the proposed South Texas Class I Rail Project (Section 551.071 T.G.C.)

#### ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

#### PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY

Public Comment 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."

#### CERTIFICATION

I, the Undersigned Authority, do hereby certify that the attached agenda of the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority Board of Directors is a true and correct copy and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority Web Page ([www.hcrma.net](http://www.hcrma.net)) and the bulletin board in the Hidalgo County Court House (100 North Closner, Edinburg, Texas 78539), a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013 at 12:00 pm and will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Flor E. Koll  
Program Administrator

Note: If you require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact Flor E. Koll at 956-402-4762 at least 24 hours before the meeting.



**BOARD MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013**  
**PHARR CITY HALL**  
**118 S. CAGE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR**  
**PHARR, TEXAS**

NAME (Please Print)	ENTITY/ORGANIZATION	PHONE	EMAIL
1 Anthony Garza	LIG		
2 GEORGE RAMON			
3 Jesse Salinas	TEDSI		
4 Joey Trevino	HAIF	522-8394	JTrevino@haif.org
5 ROBERT AND CAROL TRITT			RTRITT43@HOTMAIL.COM
6 JEREMY SANTOSCOY	CITY OF McALLEN	956-681-1150	jsantoscoy@mcallen.net
7 JAVIER NAVARRO IV	CITY OF McALLEN	956-681-1150	JNAVARRO@MCALLEN.NET
8 Daniel Garces	SSB		
9 Norma Y. Garza	TxDOT	702-6180	Norma.Garza@txdot.gov
10			
11			
12			
13			
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			
21			
22			



**PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2013 4:30 PM**  
**PHARR CITY HALL**  
**118 S. CAGE BLVD., 2ND FLOOR**  
**PHARR, TEXAS**

NAME (Please Print)	ENTITY/ORGANIZATION	PHONE	EMAIL
1 Anthony Geronzi	LFL		
2 BEHR002 BADOZZAMAIA	L&G		
3 Daniel Garces	SSB		
4 KAMON NANKS IV	CITY OF McALLEN	956-681-1150	RNANKS@MCALLEN.TX
5 Jeremy Santosoy	McALLEN	" "	jsantosoy@mcallen.net
6 Joe Ochoa	Hidalgo County PCT 4		<del>JOE</del> JOSE. Ochoa Sec. HIDALGO-TX.05
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			
12			
13			
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			
21			
22			



February 25, 2013

Ramon Garcia, Hidalgo County Judge  
1615 S. Closner  
Suite J  
Edinburg, TX 78539

*Note: An original transmittal  
was provided to each  
member of the Comm. Court.*

**RE: Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority (HCRMA) Meeting,  
February 20, 2013 at 4:30 P.M. – Progress Report**

Dear Judge Garcia:

As your Technical Representative for the Hidalgo County MPO, we provide you with a monthly HCRMA update. Attached for your use and information is the HCRMA Planning Committee and Regular Meeting Agenda for the meeting held on Wednesday February 20, 2013 at 4:30 P.M. We have reviewed the agenda items that were discussed in all three meetings as they relate to Hidalgo County and have provided the following progress report.

**PLANNING AGENDA**

1. Recommendation on Supplemental Number 1 of Professional Service Agreement with Quintanilla, Headley and Associates for Surveying Services for SH 365 Project from SH 336 (10<sup>th</sup> Street) to FM 3072 (Dicker Road)
2. Recommendation on Supplemental Number 1 of Professional Service Agreement with DOS Land Surveying for Surveying Services for SH 365 Project from to FM 1016 (Conway Avenue) to SH 336 (10<sup>th</sup> Street)

Items 1 & 2 relate to the contracts with the two surveyors currently working on the SH 365 (west) project. The proposed amendments to the contract make the scope more clear and account for additional parcels and sections of the project not included under the original contract.

The RMA Planning committee approved these items as presented.

3. Recommendation on update to Program Manager Strategic Plan - Strategy No. 8 for SH 365, IBTC and Segment D

Mr. Louie Jones of Dannenbaum Engineering, the HCRMA's Program Manager, reported on the funding strategies for HCRMA projects and potential changes to the strategic plan. The RMA Planning committee acknowledged the report and recommended further discussion/workshops.

## REGULAR MEETING

### 1. REPORTS

#### A. Update on SH 365 Project – Louis Jones, Program Manager

Mr. Louie Jones of Dannenbaum Engineering, the HCRMA's Program Manager, reported on recent events regarding HCRMA projects. On January 24, 2013 the RMA received an Environmental Assessment (EA) classification on the SH 365 project. This determination means that the RMA can utilize the much shorter EA process (24-36 months) as opposed to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process (36-120 months).

Additionally, Mr. Jones and Pilar Rodriguez, the HCRMA's executive director, anticipate presenting the SH 365 (west) project to the public as soon as April 2013. A copy of the tentative schedule presented at the meeting is attached.

#### B. Update on La Joya Relief Route – Jody Ellington, TxDOT

Mr. Epigmenio Gonzalez, of the TxDOT Pharr District, reported on the progress on the La Joya Relief Route Project. Currently TxDOT is working on the schematics, environmental, and drainage studies for the project. The project is currently scheduled to begin ROW acquisition in FY 2014 and construction of the at grade facility is scheduled to begin in FY 2015. Both the ROW and construction phases of the project are fully funded.

Ms. Norma Garza of TxDOT reported the TxDOT is finalizing the Advanced Funding Agreement for the SH 365 (west) project. That agreement will include the approx. \$120 million commitment from TxDOT for the SH 365 project.

#### C. Annual Progress Report for SH 365 – Pilar Rodriguez, HCRMA

Mr. Pilar Rodriguez reported that the RMA has prepared the annual report regarding the development of HCRMA projects in FY 2012 to satisfy a requirement set forth by the TxDOT transportation commission (attached).

**2. CONSENT AGENDA** *(All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Governing Body and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, if discussion is desired, that item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. The Governing Body may also elect to go into Executive Session on any item, whether or not such item(s) are posted as an Executive Session Item, at any time during the meeting when authorized by provisions of the Open Meeting Act.)*

A. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting held January 16, 2013.

B. Approval of Project Expense Report for Period from January 9, 2013 to February 12, 2013

C. Approval of Financial Report for December 2012

D. Resolution 2013-08 – Authorizing the Removal of Joe Olivarez as a Signatory on all First National Bank Accounts and the Addition of Michael Cano, Ricardo Perez, Forrest Runnels, David Guerra, Alonzo Cantu and Josue Reyes as authorized Signatories on all First National Bank Accounts

The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

### 3. REGULAR AGENDA

#### A. Resolution 2013-05 – Approval of Request from Rio Grande Valley Partnership to Participate with the 2013 Regional Mobility Study

This item pertains to the funding of the Rio Grande Valley Partnership 2013 Regional Mobility Study by the HCRMA. Several entities in South Texas are contributing funds to complete a regional transportation study to be used to prioritize projects. This tool would be useful when applying for state or federal monies when they become available.

Hidalgo County was to contribute an additional \$20,000; however, a legal issue was discovered and the county is not able to directly fund the project. It was requested that the RMA fund the entire amount of \$20,000.

The RMA board tabled this item pending further discussion and consultation with council.

#### B. Resolution 2013-06 – Approval of Hidalgo County RMA's 83<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Program

The RMA board approved the current legislative agenda (attached).

#### C. Resolution 2013-07 – Approval of a Budget Amendment in the amount of \$20,000 to fund Participation with the Rio Grande Valley Partnership 2013 Regional Mobility Study

The RMA board tabled this item pending further discussion. (see item 3.A.)

### 5. TABLED ITEMS

#### A. Resolution 2013-04 – Extension of Professional Service Agreement for one (1) year with the Law Office of Dan Rios and Tuggey-Fernandez, LLP

The RMA board approved this item extending the legal contract by one year.

### 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION OF REAL PROPERTY), AND SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS)

A. Consultation with Board Attorney and Financial Advisor on legal issues pertaining to financial options, including current obligations (Section 551.071 T.G.C.)

B. Consultation with Board Attorney regarding legal issues pertaining to the scope of the proposed South Texas Class I Rail Project (Section 551.071 T.G.C.)

No action was taken in executive session

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss these items or projects within your precinct please contact me, or your Technical Representative, Mr. Anthony Garza at (956) 565-9813.

Sincerely,

Jacinto Garza, P.E.  
CEO / President