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COUNTY JUDGE

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February 27, 2014

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Honorable Ramon Garcia
Hidalgo County Judge
302 W. University Drive
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San Juan Economic Development

Subject: **Approval of Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan Amendments**

Dear Judge Garcia,

The Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO) has completed the annual process of accepting amendments to the Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan from all incorporated member cities and County Commissioner Precincts. The deadline for thoroughfare plan update submittals was December 20, 2013. The Transportation Policy Committee met February 20, 2014 and has approved the amendments to the Thoroughfare plan. The next step is to proceed with the requisition for approval of Amendments to the Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan by the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court. The Item has been put on the County Commissioner's Court Agenda for March 11, 2014.

The amendments to the Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan are as follows:

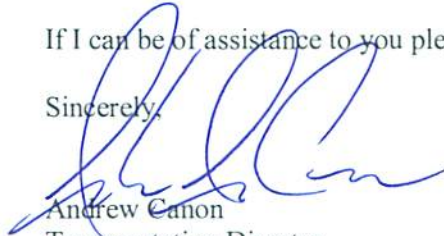
- From County Commissioner Precinct #1:
 - Downgrade from a 120' to 100' on Mile 2 West road between Mile 8 North and Mile 9 North and between Mile 16 ½ North (SH 107) and Mile 17 ½ North.
 - Removal of Norene Road between FM 1925 (Monte Cristo) and Mile 20 North
- From County Commissioner Precinct #3 to:
 - Add Los Ebanos from Military Parkway heading North for approximately 0.85 miles as an 80'
- From The City of San Juan:
 - Add Retama Street from Owassa Road to FM 495 as 80' ROW
 - Add Retama Street from FM 495 to US Expressway 83 as an 80' ROW
 - Add Oblate Avenue from Minnesota Road to US Expressway as an 80' ROW
 - Add 1st Street from Veterans Road to Oblate Street as an 80' ROW
- From The City of Mission:
 - Add 1 Mile South from Schuerbach road to Abram Road as a 100' ROW.
 - Add Glasscock Road from FM 1016 (Military Road) to FM 494 as an 80' ROW
 - Add Los Ebanos from Expressway 281 heading south for approximately 1.26 miles as an 80' ROW

The HCMPO accepts updates to the Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan annually. In August 2014, the HCMPO will meet with all member governmental entities to request amendments to the Hidalgo County Thoroughfare Plan. If changes are required, the approval of the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court will be requested in February of 2015.

For your review please find a map of the proposed amendments and another with all amendments applied to the existing Thoroughfare Plan network.

If I can be of assistance to you please do not hesitate to contact me at your leisure.

Sincerely,



Andrew Canon
Transportation Director
Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization

CC: The Honorable A.C. Cuellar, Hidalgo County Commissioner, Precinct #1
The Honorable Hector Palacios, Hidalgo County Commissioner, Precinct #2
The Honorable Joe Flores, Hidalgo County Commissioner, Precinct #3
The Honorable Joseph Palacios, Hidalgo County Commissioner Precinct #4