

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO)  
Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes  
May 15, 2014

**TAB I ROLL CALL**

- Secretary San Juanita Sanchez called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm. The Transportation Policy Committee Meeting was held at the Hidalgo County MPO Office at 510 South Pleasantview Drive, Weslaco, Texas. Present were representatives from the Cities of: Alamo, Alton, Edinburg, Elsa, Hidalgo McAllen, Mission, Palmhurst, Penitas, Pharr, San Juan, Weslaco, Hidalgo County RMA, TxDOT and Valley Metro.

**TAB II CITIZEN INPUT**

- None at this time.

**TAB III PRESENTATION / ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A) Adoption of Minutes from:
- April 17, 2014  
Secretary San Juanita Sanchez asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes. The City of Pharr stated that there was a minor addition to item C: TIP Amendment #7. After further discussion, **The City of Palmhurst made a motion to approve the April 17, 2014 minutes with the minor addition to Item C: TIP Amendment #7. The City of Penitas seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- B) Presentation of Check to South Texas Juvenile Diabetes Association
- Mr. Andrew A. Canon stated that the Walk n Rolla event went very well. He stated that Debra Franco, STJDA, was present to receive the presentation check. He noted that the event went very well and only hope to have a better event next year. He thanked staff and everyone else that participated in the event. Mr. Canon presented the STJDA with a \$8,000 Check. **Presentation of the check only, no action taken.**
- C) Discussion & Approval of Establishment of Voting Privileges (City of Elsa)
- Mr. Canon stated that the City of Elsa has completed the requirements in attendance in order to become a full voting member. After further discussion, **The City of Penitas made a motion to approve to give the City of Elsa Voting privileges as presented. The City of San Juan seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- D) Discussion & Approval of 5310 Program Call Submittal
- Mr. Canon stated that some information was provided for everyone to review. He stated that there was only one (1) submittal from the City of Pharr. He stated that the submittal for a project located on Ridge road to Cage. He stated that the projected estimated a cost of \$234,000 and that it will be included in the next August TIP Cycle. After further discussion, **The City of Alamo made a motion to approve the 5310 Program Call submittal from the City of Pharr as presented. The City of Penitas seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- E) Discussion of Bylaws
- Mr. Canon stated that the TAC Committee discussed this item and recommended that a sub-committee be established and come back with a recommendation. Mr. Canon stated that at this time several TAC Members have volunteered to be on the sub-committee. He advised the members that this item will be brought back next month for further discussion. **No action taken at this time.**
- G) Monthly Letting Update
- Mr. Toribio Garza Jr., P.E., TxDOT, gave a brief update.

**TAB IV STATUS REPORTS**

- A. Calendar: May & June 2014
- Mr. Canon stated that the calendars were provided for everyone to review. He stated that the June Meetings will need to be moved back by one (1) week because HCMPO staff will be attending the 2014 Texas Transportation Planning Conference in Corpus Christi, Texas on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the TAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> and the Policy meeting will be held on Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**
- B. Legislative/ RTAP Update
- No reports were given at this time.
- C. HCMPO Budget Report
- Mrs. Linda de la Fuente gave a brief update on the budget.
- D. HCMPO Project Update
- None at this time.
- E. Director's Update
- None at this time.

**TAB V OFF SYSTEM REPORT**

- No reports were given at this time.

**TAB VI TXDOT CONSTRUCTION REPORT**

- Mr. Juan Sustaita gave a brief update.

**TAB VII HIDALGO COUNTY COMMUTER RAIL DISTRICT (HCCRD)**

- No reports were giving at this time.

**TAB VIII HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (HCRMA)**

- Mr. Pilar Rodriguez gave a brief update.

**TAB IX VALLEY METRO**

- Mr. Tom Logan gave a brief update.

**TAB X METRO**

- No reports were given at this time.

**TAB XI OLD OR NEW BUSINESS**

- Mr. Canon stated that a new secretary will need to be nominated to the Policy Committee. He stated that this item will be brought back next month as an action item. He noted that Mayor Norberto Salinas will move up to Chairman and Mayor San Juanita Sanchez will move up to Vice-Chairman.

**TAB XII ADJOURNMENT**

- *The City of Alamo made a motion to adjourn at 6:26 pm. The City of San Juan seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

ATTEST:

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The Honorable San Juanita Sanchez  
Transportation Policy Committee (TPC)  
Secretary