

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
November 27, 2012

1) Roll Call

- Vice-Chairwoman Michelle Leftwich called the meeting to order at 1:38pm. The Technical Advisory 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, Donna, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Hidalgo County RMA, McAllen, Mercedes, Penitas, Pharr, Valley Metro and TxDOT. ExOffio Members Present: Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District.

2) Adoption of Minutes from:

- October 2, 2012  
Vice-Chairwoman asked if there were any corrections to the minutes, there being none. ***The City of Penitas made a motion to approve the October 2, 2012 minutes as presented. The Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

3) Cost Over-Run Projects

- Mr. Homer Bazan stated that there might be a change order for approximately \$23 thousand in CAT 7 coming in the near future. Will have details at a later TAC meeting.

4) Discussion and Approval of to begin Public Involvement 2013-2016 TIP Amendment #3 & 2010-2035 MTP Amendment #10

- Mr. Andrew Canon stated that the HCMPO Staff was seeking approval to begin public involvement of the TIP and MTP, and will be back on the agenda for approval in January 2013. Mr. Canon also stated that the MTP, TIP & UTP years were carrying a negative balance and was seeking for everyone to come into an agreement on movement of projects within the TIP and UTP years in the MTP. TAC members agreed to move the following projects:  
From FY 2014 - move Owassa to FY 2017 and La Homa to FY 2016  
From FY 2015 - move La Joya to FY 2017  
From FY 2016 - move 10<sup>th</sup> St to FY 2017  
From FY 2019 - move FM676 to FY 2023  
From FY 2020 - move FM907 to FY 2023  
From FY 2022 - move FM1925 to FY 2023  
Add Dicker Rd to FY 2023
- ***The Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District made a motion to approve all movement of projects within the MTP in the TIP and UTP years as mentioned above. The City of Alamo seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

5) Discussion & Approval to Release the CMP RFP

- Mr. Andrew Canon stated the HCMPO Staff was seeking approval to move forward with the CMP RFP and TAC members agreed to discuss at a later time the lane miles covered in the CMP with the possibility of adding supplemental routes and/or Military Highway. ***Hidalgo County made a motion to approve to move forward with the CMP RFP. The Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

6) Discussion & Approval of FY2012 APER

- Mr. Canon stated that the HCMPO Staff was seeking approval of the FY2012 APER. The APER only reflects half of the HCMPO budget cycle since the HCMPO is on a 2 year budget cycle, and it is strictly using the FY2012 allocated funding. ***The City of Alamo made a motion to approve the FY2012 APER as presented. The City of Penitas seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

7) Discussion Thoroughfare Plan

- Mr. Canon stated that the deadline for amendment submittals to the Thoroughfare Plan is December 14, 2012, and all submittals need to be accompanied by a copy of a resolution supporting the amendment request. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

8) Monthly Letting Report

- Mr. Bazan gave a brief update.

9) Status Reports

A. Calendar: December 2012 & January 2013

- Mr. Canon stated that the calendar was provided for everyone to review. He mentioned that the next TPC meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2012, and an end of the year meal will be provided by the HCMPO. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

- Discussion of Border to Border Conf.

- Mrs. Maria Champine gave a brief update on the HCMPO Budget.

B. Legislative / RTAP Update

- None at this time.

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- C. HCMPO Budget Report
    - Mrs. Linda de la Fuente gave a brief update on the HCMPO Budget.
  - D. HCMPO Project Update
    - None at this time.
  - E. Director's Update
    - None at this time.
- 10) HCRMA Update
    - Mr. Eric Davila, from Dannenbaum, gave a brief update on SH 365..
  - 11) Valley Metro
    - Ms. Maribel Contreras gave a brief update on the increase of ridership and on the Toys for Transit.
  - 12) Metro
    - No updates were given at this time.
  - 13) Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District
    - Mr. Jim Edge gave a brief update.
  - 14) Old or New Business
    - Mr. Canon stated that a resolution supporting the addition and co-designation of US 83 as part of the interstate system in South Texas was attached to the packet for everyone's review, and will be part of the agenda for TPC meeting for approval. *Hidalgo County made a motion to approve to approve the resolution. The City of McAllen seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*
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  - 15) Adjournment
    - *The Hidalgo County made a motion to adjourn at 3:44 pm. The Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*