

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
January 08, 2013

1) Roll Call

- Chairman Ed Taylor 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, Mission, Penitas, San Juan, Weslaco, Valley Metro and TxDOT. ExOfficio Members Present: Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District and McAllen Metro

2) Adoption of Minutes from:

- November 27, 2012
Chairman Ed Taylor asked if there were any corrections to the minutes, there being none. ***The City of Mission made a motion to approve the November 27, 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

- No reports were given at time.

4) Discussion and Approval of FY2013-2016 TIP Amendment #3 & 2010-2035 MTP Amendment #10

- Mrs. Linda de la Fuente stated that the FY13-16 TIP and FY10-35 MTP were provided for everyone to review. She stated that needed to be taken to the January policy meeting for final approval in order to meet the February 1st STIP deadline. She noted that the payment to the Lubbock MPO of \$2 million was also paid back. Mrs. De la Fuente gave a brief summary of the projects. ***The Hidalgo County made a motion to approve the FY2013-2016 TIP Amendment #3 and FY2010-2035 MTP Amendment #10 as presented. The City of Mission seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

5) Discussion & Approval to Thoroughfare Plan Amendment

- Mr. Luis Diaz stated that an updated map was provided for everyone to review. He noted that he received several updates from some entities and all of those have been implemented. ***The City of Edinburg made a motion to approve to the Thoroughfare Plan Amendment and inclusion of the RTJ boundaries with requirements as presented. The City of Penitas seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

6) Discussion & Approval of 5310 Designation of Recipient

- Mrs. Maria Champine stated that a memo was provided for everyone to review. She stated that the 5310 funds need a recipient to control funding. The members decided to name the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGDVC) as the designee. ***Hidalgo County made a motion to approve the 5310 Designation of Recipient Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGDVC) as the designee as presented. The City of Alamo seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

7) Discussion of Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

- Miss. Karina Maldonado stated that a copy of the LEP was provided for everyone to review. She briefly gave a brief description of the plan. She noted that this item will need to be brought back for final approval next month. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

8) Discussion of FY2013 CMP MAP - Lane Mile

- Mrs. Champine stated that as of right now the total is 500 lane miles. She stated that a map was provided for everyone to review. The members discussed adding more lane miles to Military Road in order to come up with the total 500 miles. The members requested for staff to set up a CMP Meeting to review the entire miles and what areas and how many miles each project should have. Ms. Champine stated that a date and time will be emailed out to everyone for the CMP Meeting. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

9) Discussion of Criteria of Enhancement

- Mrs. Champine stated that that multi-modal subcommittee met and used a criteria for the Enhancement program call. She noted that the spreadsheet was provided for everyone to review. She noted that this item was only a discussion and will need to be brought back next month for approval. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

10) Discussion of FY2014-15 UPWP

- Mrs. De la Fuente stated that the two (2) - year UPWP was provided for everyone to review. She stated that it will need to be approved at the May or June meeting in order to provide TxDOT a draft UPWP. She noted that if any entity would like to submit a project for review, this is the time to submit one. She noted that the last project submittal was from the City of Edinburg and is now being implemented. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

- 11) Discussion of HCMPO Policy Training
 - Mrs. Champine stated that the Policy Training was scheduled for Wednesday, January 30th and Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 5:30 pm at the HCMPO Office. The members requested to find out if any of these training can be included with the AICP credits. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

- 12) Update on HCMPO Certification
 - Mrs. Champine stated that the HCMPO will be having their Federal Certification on Tuesday, February 19th - Thursday, February 21st at the HCMPO office. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

- 13) Monthly Letting Report
 - Mr. Bazan gave a brief update.

- 14) Status Reports
 - A. Calendar: February and March 2013
 - Mrs. De la Fuente stated that the calendars were provided for everyone to review. She stated that Andrew and Karina will be attending the TRB meeting next week in Washington, DC. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

 - B. Legislative / RTAP Update
 - None at this time.

 - 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.

- 15) HCRMA Update
 - Mr. Eric Davila, from Dannenbaum, gave a brief update.

- 16) Valley Metro
 - Mr. Rodney Gomez gave a brief update.

- 17) Metro
 - Mr. Mario Delgado gave a brief update.

- 18) Hidalgo County Commuter Rail District
 - Mr. Jim Edge gave a brief update.

- 19) Old or New Business
 - None at this time.

- 20) Adjournment
 - ***The City of Edinburg made a motion to adjourn at 2:40 pm. The City of Mission seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***