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Hidalgo County MPO (HCMPO)
Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

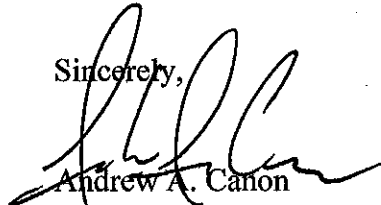
RE: TAC meeting on **MONDAY** August 10, 2009

Dear TAC members,

First let me say that staff appreciates your patience and consideration in moving our regularly schedule August 11th TAC meeting to August 10th instead. Staff was not aware of a double booking of the conference room when we elected to move the meeting back one week to facilitate a full update from staff with regards to the August 5, 2009 meeting with TxDOT on funding and the TIP development. Staff will be seeking a recommendation for a MTP amendment; materials explaining the amendment are attached. Staff will also be providing an update from the following subcommittees, multimodal, scenario planning and the thoroughfare plan update.

We appreciate your participation on this matter and look forward to seeing you at our next scheduled TAC meeting **MONDAY** August 10, 2009 at 1:30 at the Weslaco offices.

Sincerely,



Andrew A. Canon
Director, HCMPO

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AGENDA

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

HCMPO Conference Room
510 South Pleasantview Drive
Weslaco, TX.

August 10, 2009

@ 1:30 PM

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|---|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1) Roll Call | | MPO Staff |
| 2) Adoption of Minutes from July 07, 2009 | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 3) Cost Over-Run Project(s) (If Needed) | (ACTION ITEM) | TxDOT |
| 4) Approval of Jacobs Contract Extension | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 5) Adoption of MTP Amendment | (ACTION ITEM) | MPO Staff |
| 6) Update on MTP 2010-2035 | (DISCUSSION TEM) | MPO Staff |
| 7) Update on Multi-Modal | (DISCUSSION TEM) | MPO Staff |
| 8) Update on Scenario Workshop | (DISCUSSION TEM) | MPO Staff |
| 9) Update on Thoroughfare Plan | (DISCUSSION TEM) | MPO Staff |
| 10) Update on UTP Meeting in Austin | (DISCUSSION TEM) | MPO Staff |
| 11) Status Report | (UPDATE) | MPO Staff |
| A. Calendar: August & September 2009 | | |
| B. HCMPO Budget Report | | |
| C. Legislative Update | | |
| 12) HCRMA update | (UPDATE) | MPO Staff |
| 13) Old Or New Business | | MPO Staff |
| 14) Adjournment | | |

HIDALGO COUNTY MPO
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 07, 2009
1:30 PM

DRAFT

- 1 Roll Call
Mr. Andrew Canon called the meeting to order at 1:40 P.M. The Technical Advisory Committee Meeting was held at the HCMPO Conference Room; Weslaco, TX. Present were representatives from The Cities of Alamo, Alton, Edinburg, Hidalgo, Hidalgo County, McAllen, Mission, LRGVDC Transit, Penitas, Pharr, Weslaco and TxDOT. Ex-Offio Members Present: Hidalgo County Auditor's Office.
- 2 Adoption of Minutes from June 02, 2009 **(ACTION ITEM)**
Mr. Canon asked if there were any changes and or corrections that needed to be made to the minutes. **TxDOT made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The City of McAllen seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- 3 Cost Over-Run
None at this time.
- 4 Adoption of FY08-09 UPWP Amendment #5 **(ACTION ITEM)**
Mr. Canon stated that due to on-going 2010-2035 MTP Contract, budget adjustments, and that the transportation model has not been received, the HCMPO was forced to de-obligate \$300,000 from FY08-09 UPWP. We need to transfer the funds into the FY2010 UPWP. **The City of McAllen made a motion to approve the FY08-09 UPWP Amendment #5 as presentd. The City of Penitas seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- 5 Adoption of FY2010-2011 UPWP **(ACTION ITEM)**
Mr. Canon stated that a draft copy of the FY2010-2011 UPWP was provided for everyone to review. He stated that the is our two year budgetary document wich describes guidance as to the tasks that the HCMPO staff hope to undertake in the coming year. He stated that the FY2010-11 UPWP that the Policy Board will need to give final approval of the FY2010-11 UPWP. **The City of Mercedes made a motion to approve the FY2010-2011 UPWP as presented. The City of McAllen seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the mottion carried unanimously.**
- 6 Bylaw Amendment for Ethics Policy **(ACTION ITEM)**
Mr. Canon stated that due to guidance provided in SB 585 of the 81st Legislative session a Bylaw Amendment for Ethics Policy will need to be enforced. He stated that SB 585 amends the transportation code to prohibit a policy board member or employee of a MPO from accepting or soliciting any gift, favor, or service that might reasonably tend to influence the member or employee in teh discharge of their officical duties. He noted that the additions are listed in red in the attached paperwork. **The City of Penitas made a motion to approve the Bylaw Amendment for Ethics Policy as presented. The City of Mercedes seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- 7 TIP Amendment **(ACTION ITEM)**
Mr. Canon stated that a copy of the revised transit FY08-11 TIP for the August 1st submittal was provided for everyone to review. He stated that the purpose of the TIP revision is to address projects that were advanced by Rio Metro for expenditure of American Recovery and Reinvestment ACt (ARRA) funds. He noted that Rio Metro advanced projects that were slated to be acted upon in outer years, in doing so there was a gap left in the projects in which funding was available. **The City of Alamo made a motion to approve teh TIP Amendment as presented. The City of McAllen seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**
- 8 Follow up from Federal Certification-handout
Mr. Canons stated that the final Federal Certification Executive Summary report was provided for everyone to review. He noted that the HCMPO had NO findings. There were some recommended improvements that were pointed out by FHWA and FTA. He advised the board members that staff is eager to address and incorporate those recommendations. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**
- 9 Staff Update
 - A. Calendar: July & August 2009
Mr. Canon stated that a Secenario Planning Meeting was scheduled for August 20th. He stated that the Policy meeting is also scheduled to meet on this day and we are planning to have both meetings at the McAllen Convention Center. He advised the members that further information will be sent out at a later time.
 - B. HCMPO Budget Report
Mr. Canon briefly gave brief update on the MPO Budget.
 - C. Legislative Update
None at this time.
- 10 HCRMA Update
David Saenz, HCRB, gave a brief update. He stated that the public meetings for segments E and F went very well. He advised the members that an RMA meeting was scheduled for July 09, 2009.
- 11 Old Or New Business
None at this time.
- 12 Adjourn
The City of Alamo made a motion to adjourn. The City of McAllen seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.



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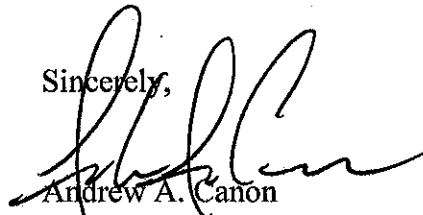
RE: CMP Contract extension for Jacobs

Dear TAC members,

Staff is seeking approval and a recommendation for Policy to approve a contract extension for Jacobs Engineering. The request from Steve Taylor is attached for your review. As you can see the request is for time only, no financial changes. This would allow for Jacobs to attend the September TAC and TPC to make their final presentation and recommendations.

We appreciate your participation on this matter and look forward to seeing you at our next scheduled TAC meeting **MONDAY** August 10, 2009 at 1:30 at the Weslaco offices.

Sincerely,



Andrew A. Canon
Director, HCMPO

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Andrew Canon

From: Taylor, Steve T. [Steve.Taylor@jacobs.com]
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2009 9:16 AM
To: Andrew Canon
Subject: CMP Update

Andrew,

We are progressing as planned and on schedule for the summer season data collection. Per contract, they are to be completed by the end of July (this week). Once that is complete, we will complete the processing of the latest data and then perform the comparative analysis to the Winter and previous seasons results. The draft report will soon follow for review by the committee. In light of those schedules and the planned committee and Policy meetings, it appears we need a time extension, no additional funds, to allow appropriate review and presentations to occur. I would suggest an extension through the end of September so all meetings can be held within that month.

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July 28, 2009

TO: All TAC Members

SUBJECT: MTP AMENDMENT

The Hidalgo County MPO began public involvement for the MTP Amendment on July 20, 2009, and it will end on August 20, 2009. In the month of June 2009, the limits to the BSIF project was amended in the TIP, and those limits need to be reflected in the MTP as well as the estimated cost needs to be amended.

The limits to the BSIF project changed from located in the vicinity of GSA Facility to Pharr and now the new limits are from U.S. Customs Port of Entry Exit to U.S. 281. The cost estimate in the MTP used to be \$25,084,423 and is now being amended to \$34,637,976.

Once again, the public involvement period will end on August 20, 2009. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate in contacting us. Your participation and assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Maria G. Champine
Assistant Director

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Amendments currently out on Public Involvement



Period ending: August 20, 2009

CSJ #	MTP #	Project	From	To	Cost	Amendment
0921-02-173	HC-228	BSIF Pharr/Reyn osa	US Customs Port of Entry Exit	US 281	\$34,637,976	Amendment to project limits previously noted as: From: Located in vicinity of GSA facility; To: Pharr Amendment to cost: previously noted as \$25,084,423

August 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	1:30 Data Criteria	4 6-10pm Public Outreach, Edinburg Municipal Park	5 MTP/TIP Meeting in Austin (Andrew, Maria, Jamie & Linda)	6 1:30 PM Citizen's Advisory	7	8
9	10 12pm Multi Modal 1:30 pm TAC	11 9-4 pm Mobility Monitoring	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 1:30 MPO Public Outreach—McAllen Convention Center 5:30 -Policy Meeting at McAllen Convention Center	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Andrew— Annual Leave	29
30	31 Andrew— Annual Leave					

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 1:30 pm TAC	2	3 1:30 pm Citizen's Advisory Meeting	4	5
6	7 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY! OFFICE CLOSED	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 5:30pm POLICY	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 6-9 Public Outreach at City of Edinburg- City Hall	25	26
27	28	29	30			

