

**HIDALGO COUNTY MPO**  
**TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 02, 2009**  
**1:30 PM**

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 May 05, 2009

**(ACTION ITEM)**

Mr. Canon asked if there were any changes and or corrections that needed to be made to the minutes. **The City of Penitas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The City of Alamo seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

3 Cost Over-Run

None at this time.

4 MTP Selection Criteria

**(ACTION ITEM)**

Mr. Canon stated that a spreadsheet has been provided for everyone to review. He noted that this item was discussed at the MTP Sub-Committee Meeting. He stated that MPO staff is requested from TxDOT the following information: the percentage or method used to calculate Right of Way cost in project cost estimation and development, how are engineering expenses calculated as a part of project cost estimation and development. He also noted that a request has also been made to TxDOT for a complete list of all projects where TxDOT has committed to an Advance Funding Agreement. The information will provide the MPO a base to build upon in assuring that no project is accidentally removed from the updated MTP Listing. **The City of McAllen made a motion to approve the MTP Selection Criteria. The City of Weslaco seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

5 Kick off of Scenario Planning

Mr. Canon stated that Mr. Andrew Howard, Kimley-Horn & Associates, was present and will be giving a short presentation. Mr. Canon stated that the Scenario Planning meets SAFETEA-LU requirements. Mr. Howard stated that the 1st Public Meeting will be scheduled for either July or August. A brief presentation was made. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

6 2009 CMP

Mr. Canon stated that Mr. Steve Taylor, Jacobs, was present and scheduled to give a brief presentation. Mr. Canon noted that Jacobs will be seeking insight as to the corridors to be used for the Summer run as well. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

7 Discussion of MTP Funding Scenarios

Mr. Canon stated that the MPO staff is updating our long range plan. He stated that it would be very beneficial to have an update from each city as to the projects completed over the past five (5) years. We are requesting that each entity provide the HCMPO a list of all mobility projects completed since November 2004 by July 1, 2009. He noted that this list is very imperative so that MPO staff may update the project listing with the MTP. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

8 FY 2010-2011 UPWP Call for Projects

Mr. Canon stated that MPO staff has requested feedback from each entity. If anyone should had any ideas that would like to have the MPO take a look at and see if we can implement into out FY2010-2011 UPWP. Mr. Canon reminded that members that this will be the time to submit your request. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

9 Staff Update

A. Calendar: June & July 2009

Mr. Canon stated that the calendars was presented for everyone to review. He stated that the MPO has scheduled a Planning Course for June 16th - 18th. If anyone would like to attend please speak with Ms. Maria Champine. He also stated that the MPO office will be closed July 3rd.

B. HCMPO Budget Report

Ms. Linda de la Fuente gave a brief review of FY08-09 UPWP Amendment #5. She stated that the MPO was forced to de-obligate \$300,000 from FY08-09 UPWP and transfer it into FY2010.

C. Legislative Update

Ms. Jamie Keshav gave a brief update on the Legislative. She stated that a list of bills was passed out for everyone to review. She stated that if anyone wanted further information on a certain bill, she would be able to provide a more detail report. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

10 HCRMA Update

Mr. David Saenz, L & G Engineering gave a brief update on the Hidalgo County Loop. He stated that two Public Meeting were scheduled for late June.

11 Old Or New Business

Mr. Canon stated that a letter from Amadeo Saenz, TxDOT Austin, was provided for everyone to review.

12 Adjourn

**The City of Alamo made a motion to adjourn. TxDOT seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**