

HIDALGO COUNTY MPO
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 08, 2009
1:30 PM

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1 Roll Call

Chairman Juan Lopez called the meeting to order at 1:45 P.M. The Technical Advisory Committee Meeting was held at the HCMPO Conference Room, Weslaco, TX. Present were representatives from The Cities of Alton, Donna, Edcouch, Hidalgo County, Hidalgo County RMA, La Joya, McAllen, Mercedes Mission, San Juan, Weslaco and LRGVDC Transit. Ex-Offio Members Present were: Hidalgo County Auditor's Office and McAllen Transit.

2 Approval of MTP Progress

(ACTION ITEM)

Chairman Juan Lopez urged everyone to turn in their comments or changes by today. Mr. Canon stated that a handout was passed out for everyone to review. The members reviewed the list presented. Several projects that were listed in the funded list were swapped with other projects that are currently ready to be let in the unfunded list. TxDOT representatives submitted several changes and swaps that needed to be made. As the lists were being discussed; Mrs. Linda de la Fuente, HCMPO, was making the recommended changes or swaps as the information was being given. Mr. Canon stated that in the upcoming months we should be receiving the model and the UTP funding amounts and when those are received we will need to make an amendment to the MTP. After further discussion, Mr. Canon stated that staff is asking for support to proceed with what has been done with the contingency to include the Thomas Road project and the Penitas Earmark project. ***The City of Penitas made a motion to proceed with the MTP Progress with the recommendations that were given today and with the contingency to include the Thomas Board project and the Penitas Earmark project to be included by MPO Staff and to present the final MTP to the Policy Board for final approval. The City of McAllen seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

3 Approval of 2009 Annual Project Listing

(NO ACTION WAS TAKEN)

None at this time.

4 Approval of Transportation Enhancement Program Call 2009

(ACTION ITEM)

Mr. Canon stated that the City of Edinburg has submitted a Hike and Bike Trail on Jackson Road and the City of Mission submitted two (2) Projects: 1) Hike and Bike Trail 2) Shary Building Restoration (Old Mission City Hall). ***The City of McAllen made a motion to approve the Transportation Enhancement Program projects submitted by the City of Edinburg and City of Mission as presented. The City of Penitas seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

5 Old Or New Business

Mr. Canon stated the Hidalgo County Rail District have submitted a memo to request to add the Rail District on a voting status on the Policy Committee Board. He stated that at next months TAC meeting a Bylaw Amendment will need to be adopted to reflect the addition of the Hidalgo County Rail District as an active voting member of the Transportation Policy Committee Board. ***Reports only, no action taken at this time.***

6 Adjourn

The City of La Joya made a motion to adjourn. The City of Mercedes seconded the motion and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Approved On:
Tuesday, January 05, 2010