

**HIDALGO COUNTY MPO**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, October 25, 2007**

**1 Roll Call**

Vice Chairman Angie Garza called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M. The Policy Committee Meeting was held at the TxDOT Offices, 600 West Expressway 83, Pharr, TX. Present were representatives from The Cities of: Alton, Edinburg, La Joya, McAllen, Palmhurst, Weslaco and TxDOT. ExOffio Members Present: San Juan Economic Development and LRGVDC Transit.

**2 Citizen Input**

Vice Chairman Angie Garza asked if there was any citizen input. There being none, the chairman proceeded on to the next item.

**3 Adoption of Minutes from September 27, 2007**

**(ACTION ITEM)**

Vice Chairman Angie Garza asked if there were any additions or corrections that needed to be made. There being none the chairman asked for a motion of approval. **The City of Edinburg made a motion to approve the minutes, The City of Weslaco seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.**

**4 Discussion of FY2008-11 TIP Fiscal Constraint Requirements**

**(Discussion Item)**

Mr. Canon stated that Item #4 and #5 are going to be combined. The TAC Committee reviewed all aspects of the FY08-11 TIP Fiscal Constraint Requirements. At this time, we do not have enough funding to use for all of the projects that are listed. Mr. Canon recommended to look at all of the projects listed and see if any project(s) are ready for construction. The TAC committee will review the list that are not ready and see if any can be removed from the list. **Discussion only, no action taken at this time.**

**5 Discussion & Possible Action to Include Sugar Rd. Into the FY08-11 TIP**

**(Discussion Item)**

Item #4 and #5 were combined under discussion only. Mr. Canon stated that at the last Policy meeting; the City of Edinburg submitted a memo requesting to add Sugar Rd. into the FY08-11 TIP. The TAC Committee reviewed all funding and the project list and at this time they were unable to find funding for this project to be added. The TAC committee will be working with the MPO and TxDOT to review all projects and see if any can be removed. The cost funding for Sugar Road (from Owassa to Trenton Rd) is: \$2.7 Million. **Discussion only, no action taken at this time.**

**6 Discussion on County Thoroughfare Map Completion**

**(Discussion Item)**

Mr. Canon stated that some entities have placed this item under their City Commission Board for adoption. The County is also currently reviewing it. This item will be brought back for final approval. **Discussion only, no action taken at this time.**

**7 Incident Management Plan Update**

**(Discussion Item)**

Mr. Canon gave a brief power point presentation. He stated that the Cities Chief of Police assisted the MPO staff with providing us traffic accidents for every year. We have incorporated specific detail of how the accident happen and if there were any fatalities. We are currently the second MPO, in the nation, that have this data available. This Incident Management Plan will be placed on the HCMPO website for everyone to review. Mr. Canon stated that each accident report are being destroyed when it is no longer needed. **Discussion only, no action taken at this time.**

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Approved on:  
Thursday, November 29, 2007

8 **Staff Update**

A. **Calendar: November & December 2007** (Grande Opening: November 29, 2007 Ribbon Cutting)

Mr. Canon stated that all of the MPO staff has already settled into the new offices. The MPO staff is currently working on scheduling our 2nd Annual Border-to-Border Conference. The dates for the conference are being scheduled for October 2008. A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new building has been scheduled for 3:00 pm. The LRGVDC will have their COG board meeting at 1:30 pm and the HCMPO will have the Policy Meeting at 5:30 pm. The ceremony invitations will be going out next week. Food and beverages will be served

9 **Off System Report**

No reports at this time.

10 **Letting Report**

Reports only.

11 **Old Or New Business**

None at this time.

12 **Adjournment**

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