

HIDALGO COUNTY MPO
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 11, 2008

1 **Roll Call**

Chairman Angie Garza called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M. The Policy Committee Meeting was held at the HCMPO office, 510 South Pleasantview Drive, Weslaco, Texas. Present were representatives from The Cities of: Alamo, Edcouch, Edinburg, Granjeno, La Joya, McAllen, Mission, San Juan, TxDOT, Weslaco, Hidalgo County RMA and LRGVDC Transit.

2 **Citizen Input**

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

3 **Adoption of Minutes from October 16, 2008**

(ACTION ITEM)

The City of Edinburg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The City of Alamo seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

4 **Approval of Functional Classification**

(ACTION ITEM)

Mr. Mario Jorge stated that the extension is for the Donna Bridge. The Functional Classification is for the FM493 Extension from 0.25 Mile North of US281 Military Highway to GSA Facility at the New International Bridge. *The City of Alamo made a motion to approve the Functional Classification as presented. The City of Edinburg seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

5 **Approval of Winter/ Summer CMP Contract**

(ACTION ITEM)

Ms. Linda De la Fuente stated that the Contract is ready to be signed. The amount of the contract is up to \$180,000 because an increase in lane miles to 750 miles. Staff has done the cost analysis and the contract is within range. MPO staff is requested to move forward with the contract and proceed with the finalization. *The City of McAllen made a motion to opposed the proceedings with the Winter/ Summer CMP Contract. The City of Edinburg made a motion to the Winter/ Summer CMP Contract as presented. The City of Alamo seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

6 **Approval of Annual Project Listing**

(DISCUSSION ITEM)

Mr. Canon stated that every year staff presents the Board of all of the projects that were let over the last fiscal year. He stated that all of these projects went through a Public Review Process. He advised the board that this item was not an action item. *Reports only, no action taken at this time.*

7 **Update from TxDOT**

Mr. Mario Jorge stated that over the last month TxDOT received a request from the administration office to they come up with a list of projects that were ready to be let or will be environmentally cleared within the next couple of months. He stated that no new projects are being considered. *Reports only, no action taken at this time.*

8 **Staff Update**

A. **Calendar: January & February 2009**

Mr. Canon stated that the MPO will be closed on January 1st and Jan. 19th, 2009. He stated that the MPO is going to have it's certification review in February 11-15, 2009.

B. **HCMPO Budget**

Reports only.

9 **Off System Report**

None at this time

10 **Letting Report**

Reports only.

11 **Old Or New Business**

Chairman Angie Garza stated that the Border Conference went very well. She advised everyone that next year the conference will be held in November.

12 **Adjournment**

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