

HIDALGO COUNTY MPO
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 10, 2007
1:30 PM

1 Roll Call

Mr. Andrew Canon called the meeting to order at 1:35 P.M. The Technical Advisory Committee Meeting was held at the MPO Office, 1801 S. 2nd St. Suite 430, McAllen, TX. Present were representatives from The Cities of Edinburg, Hidalgo County, McAllen, Mercedes, Mission, Pharr, San Juan, Weslaco and TxDOT. Ex-Offio members also in attendance were: Hidalgo County Auditor's Office and LRGVDC Transit.

2 Adoption of Minutes from June 12, 2007

(ACTION ITEM)

Mr. Canon asked if there were any changes and or corrections that needed to be made to the minutes. Their being none. *The City of McAllen made a motion to approve the minutes, TxDOT seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

3 Cost Over-Run Project(s)

None at this time.

4 Adoption of FY08-09 UPWP

(ACTION ITEM)

Mr. Canon stated that the advisory committee have reviewed this document. We did receive comments from TP&P Austin. The copy that the TAC currently has does not show the suggestions but the recommendations have been implemented. Mr. Canon stated that we did not receive any input or suggestions for the next two (2) years. *The City of Mercedes made a motion to adopt the FY08-09 UPWP, The City of McAllen seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

5 Approval of Multi-Modal

(No Action Needed)

Mr. Canon stated that this item has been carried over from last months. Comments were received from the City of McAllen and Mercedes. Those comments have been sent to Kevin St. Jacques. He will implement those comments before the TPC meeting for approval. *No action needed at this time.*

6 Approval of Hidalgo County Loop Designation to HCRMA

(DISCUSSION)

Mr. Canon stated that the County of Hidalgo sent over a memo from Judge J. D. Salinas requesting that the HCRMA be the designee for the Hidalgo County Loop. We are asking to amend the MTP and approve the request. The County has been working on section of this project. *The City of McAllen made a motion to approve the Hidalgo County Loop Designation to HCRMA, The City of Weslaco seconded the motion, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.*

7 Update on Thoroughfare Plan

(DISCUSSION)

Mr. Canon stated that the City of McAllen and San Juan are the only ones that have submitted in their updates. If anyone has any updates; you can turn it in today. Eric Pena has finished the Land-Use Map. **Report only, no action taken at this time.**

8 Call for New Freedom & JARC Projects

(DISCUSSION)

Ms. Marabeth Fryman stated that the deadline for submitting the application will be due by August 1, 2007 by 5:00 PM. The Transit Advisory have reviewed and approved the application. The selection criteria was also attached. The MPO will go through them and grade them, then submitted to Transit for review. It will also be taken to the TAC for approval to be submitted to the TPC for final approval. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

9 Staff Update

A. Calendar: August & September 2007

Mr. Canon stated that our peer-to-peer has been approved. Some of the MPO staff and Ed Taylor, City of McAllen, will be going to Ft. Collins. The MPO and Ed Taylor will not be charged for travel or any other expenses. Mr. Canon stated that the new building is coming along very well. We foresee being in the new building by late September 2007. **Reports only, no action taken at this time.**

10 Old or New Business

(ACTION ITEM)

Mr. Canon stated that a memo was to the MPO from Steve Taylor, Carter-Burgess. They are requesting a time extension only. All financial billing will stay the same. *The City of McAllen made a motion to approve Carter-*

11 Adjourn

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