

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HIDALGO  
HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

The Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority Board of Directors convened for a Workshop and Regular Meeting on **Tuesday, October 26, 2021**, at 5:30 pm at the Pharr City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor City Commission Chambers, 118 S. Cage, Blvd, Pharr, TX 78577, with the following participating:

- Board Members:** Forrest Runnels, Vice-Chairman  
Ezequiel Reyna, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer (Teleconference)  
Alonzo Cantu, Director (Teleconference)  
Frank Pardo, Director (Teleconference)  
Joaquin Spamer, Director (Teleconference)
- Absent:** S. David Deanda, Jr., Chairman  
Paul Moxley, Director
- Staff:** Pilar Rodriguez, Executive Director  
Ramon Navarro, Chief Construction Engineer  
Eric Davila, Chief Development Engineer  
Celia Gaona, Chief Auditor/Compliance Officer  
Jose Castillo, Chief Financial Officer  
Maria Alaniz, Administrative Assistant III  
Richard A. Cantu, Law Office of Richard Cantu, PC, Legal Counsel  
Richard Ramirez, Hilltop Securities, Financial Advisor

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Chairman Runnels led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Ms. Gaona led the Invocation.

**CALL TO ORDER OF A WORKSHOP at 5:30 p.m.**

1. Review of proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budget.  
*Mr. Pilar Rodriguez reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budget.*
2. Review of Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2021 – HCRMA Staff.  
*Mr. Pilar Rodriguez reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2021.*

**ADJOURNMENT OF WORKSHOP**

**CALL TO ORDER FOR REGULAR MEETING AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM**

Vice-Chairman Runnels called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*No Comments.*

## 1. REPORTS

- A. Report on Program Manager Activity for 365 Tollway Project and IBTC Environmental Clearance Document – Eric Davila, HCRMA.  
*Mr. Eric Davila reported on Program Manager Activity for 365 Tollway Project and IBTC Environmental Clearance Document. No action taken.*
- B. Report on 365 Tollway Project Financing Activities – Richard Ramirez, Hilltop Securities.  
*Mr. Richard Ramirez, Hilltop Securities, reported on the 365 Tollway Project Financing Activities. No action taken.*

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA.

***Motion by Frank Pardo, with a second by Joaquin Spamer, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.***

- A. Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting held September 28, 2021.  
*Approved the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held September 28, 2021.*
- B. Approval of Project & General Expense Report for the period from September 9, 2021, to October 6, 2021.  
*Approved the Project & General Expense Report for the period from September 9, 2021, to October 6, 2021.*
- C. Approval of Financial Reports for September 2021.  
*Approved the Financial Reports for September 2021.*
- D. Approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2021.  
*Approved the Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2021.*

## 3. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Resolution 2021 – 40 – Approval of Award of Contract with Raba Kistner, Inc. for construction material testing services for the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority.  
***Motion by Ezequiel Reyna, with a second by Alonzo Cantu, to approve Resolution 2021 – 40 – Approval of Award of Contract with Raba Kistner, Inc. for construction material testing services for the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority in the amount of \$2,953,477.12. Motion carried unanimously.***
- B. Resolution 2021 – 41 – Approval of Work Authorization 1 with Raba Kistner, Inc. for material testing in the 365 Tollway Project.  
***Motion by Joaquin Spamer, with a second by Ezequiel Reyna, to approve Resolution 2021 – 41 – Approval of Work Authorization 1 with Raba Kistner, Inc. for material testing in the 365 Tollway Project in the amount of \$2,953,477.12. Motion carried unanimously.***
- C. Resolution 2021 – 47 – Approval of Award of Contract with Atlas Technical Consultants for construction material testing services for the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority.  
***Motion by Ezequiel Reyna, with a second by Frank Pardo, to approve Resolution 2021 – 47 – Approval of Award of Contract with Atlas Technical Consultants for construction material testing services for the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority in the amount of \$402,877.44. Motion carried unanimously.***
- D. Resolution 2021 – 48 - Approval of Work Authorization 1 with Atlas Technical Consultants for material testing in the 365 Tollway Project.  
***Motion by Ezequiel Reyna, with a second by Joaquin Spamer, to approve Resolution 2021 – 48 - Approval of Work Authorization 1 with Atlas Technical Consultants for material testing in the 365 Tollway Project in the amount of \$402,877.44. Motion carried unanimously.***

~~E. Resolution 2021 49 Approval of Work Authorization 8 with Blanton & Associates, Inc. for environmental services for development of site soils and planting strategies (including monitoring) for the 365 Tollway Wetland Mitigation site.~~

~~Item removed.~~

~~F. Resolution 2021 50 Approval of Contract Amendment 7 to the Professional Service Agreement with Blanton & Associates, Inc. to increase the maximum payable amount for Work Authorization Number 8.~~

~~Item removed.~~

~~G. Resolution 2021 51 Approval of Work Authorization 5 with HDR Engineering, Inc. for engineering support for the design and construction of the 365 Tollway Wetland Mitigation site.~~

~~Item removed.~~

~~H. H. Resolution 2021 52 Approval of Contract Amendment 3 to the Professional Service Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. to increase the maximum payable amount for Work Authorization Number 5.~~

~~Item removed.~~

#### 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. None.

#### 5. TABLED ITEMS

A. None.

#### 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION OF REAL PROPERTY) AND SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS)

A. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to the acquisition, including the use of Eminent Domain, for property required to complete the project alignments of the 365 Tollway Project (Sections 551.071 and 551.072 T.G.C.).

**No action taken**

B. Consultation with Attorney on personnel matters related annual evaluation of the Executive Director (551.074 T.G.C.)

**No action taken**

C. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the City of Mission to provide Right of Way Acquisition Services (Section 551.071 T. G.C.)

**No action taken.**

D. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to the Texas Department of Transportation State Infrastructure Bank Loan for the 365 Tollway Project (Section 551.071 T.G.C.).

**No action taken.**

E. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to Professional Service Agreements for Engineering, Surveying and Environmental Services (Section 551.071 T.G.C.).

**No action taken.**

- F. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to the acquisition of real property for various parcels for the 365 Tollway Project and International Bridge Trade Corridor Project (Sections 551.071 and 551.072 T.G.C.).  
**No action taken.**
- G. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to the Environmental Clearance Document for the International Bridge Trade Corridor Project (Section 551.071 T.G.C.).  
**No action taken.**
- H. Consultation with Attorney on legal issues pertaining to the issuance of one or more Series of Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority bonds and related agreements and provisions relating to the subject (Section 551.071 T.G.C.).  
**No action taken.**
- I. Consultation with Attorney on personnel matters related to the COVID-19 pandemic (Section 551.074 T.G.C.).  
**No action taken.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, motion by Ezequiel Reyna, with a second by Frank Pardo, to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m.*



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*S. David Deanda, Jr, Chairman*

Attest:



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*Ezequiel Reyna, Jr, Secretary/Treasurer*