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HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

5:30 PM, TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2011

LRGVDC TRANSPORTATION CENTER

510 S. Pleasantview Drive

Weslaco, Texas 78596

PRESIDING: DENNIS BURLESON, CHAIRMAN

Members Present:

Dennis Burleson, Chairman

Michael G. Cano, Vice-Chair

Joe Olivarez, Secretary/Treasurer

Ricardo Perez

David Guerra

Alonzo Cantu

Forrest Runnels

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Chairman Burleson established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Burleson acknowledged the presence of The Honorable Mayor Polo Palacios, City of Pharr and thanked him for being instrumental in assisting to acquire the \$10 vehicle registration fee.

Jim Barnes, OWLS addressed the board in regards to board needing to make timely decisions.

David Garza, Cameron County Commissioner, Pct. 3 addressed the board in regards to a request for a Letter of Support for Pass Through Financing for Corridor I-69.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for 12/20/10, 12/30/10, and 1/11/11

Alonzo Cantu made a motion to approve minutes for December 20th, 30th and January 11th as presented, Ricardo Perez seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

B. Consideration and Approval of Expense Report for January 2011

Michael Cano made a motion to approve the January Expense Report as presented, Alonzo Cantu seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

C. Consideration and Approval of Financial Reports – Cheryl Bellamy, SAS, LLP.

Joe Olivarez made a motion to approve the Financial Reports as presented, Michael Cano seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A. I-69

B. Improvement of US Highway 281 Corridor

Chairman Burleson stated there is still more work to be done for US Highway 281.

C. Schedule for February and March meetings

Chairman Burleson asked the board to send available dates to hear a presentation from C&M regarding the T&R study to Flor E. Koll.

D. Communication with Hidalgo County Commissioners Court and possible joint meeting

Chairman Burleson reported the Hidalgo County Commissioners have requested a joint meeting to discuss RMA projects. Board members are to contact Flor E. Koll for available dates during the first week of February to meet with the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court.

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5. PRESENTATION OF REPORTS: DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Administrative Reports – *Godfrey Garza, Jr., Administrative and Management Consultant*

1. Discussion and possible action on the proposed IBTC and the Pharr Economic Development Corporation's development initiative titled, the new Pharr Bridge Industrial Center
Fred Sandoval, City Manager, City of Pharr gave a brief presentation on Small Area Plans for the City of Pharr and project update.
2. Discussion and action on TCC/281 roadway segmenting – **Resolution 2010-78 Exhibit A**
This item was moved down after item 6.
3. Discussion and Action on applying for 2011 TxDOT Pass Through Applications
Godfrey Garza briefed the board on possible projects to submit for Pass Through Financing. The recommendations for submission are La Joya Relief Route, US 281 at FM 755 and US 83 Connector to SH 495. The board authorized Godfrey Garza to begin negotiations with L&G to prepare the Pass Through Applications for the suggested projects and submit to TxDOT by the deadline.
4. Update on PBS&J Proposal for Environmental Documents for the TCC and US 281 Overpass
Godfrey Garza requested to meet with the Planning Committee or at least one of the members to review the proposal from PBS&J. Alonzo Cantu, member of the planning committee, stated the Committee would meet before the next meeting.

6. TxDOT - Mario Jorge, P.E.

- A. Update on Pass Through
Mario Jorge elaborated on different options and recommendations on the La Joya Relief Route for Pass Through financing.
- B. Update on any TxDOT Legislative issues in Austin
No report given.

5A2. Mr. Garza gave a description of the breakdown of the TCC/281 roadway project into segments as discussed with Mr. Mario Jorge and TxDOT staff. Mr. Jorge answered questions from the board members regarding timelines on the project segmenting and procurements.

Forrest Runnels motioned to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney regarding project segmenting and Status of Procurements, David Guerra seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion passed. Regular session was adjourned and the board entered into Executive Session at 7:01pm.

No decisions were made during Executive Session. Chairman Burleson called the meeting back to order at 7:52pm and continued with item 5A2.

5A2. *Chairman Burleson stated an Exhibit needed to be added to the Resolution. Michael Cano made a motion to attach Exhibit A to Resolution 2010-78 and approve the Resolution with the attachment, Joe Olivarez seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

7. Legal – Dan Rios/Blakely Fernandez

- A. Update on Status of Procurements
No report was given.

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8. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE:

A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney

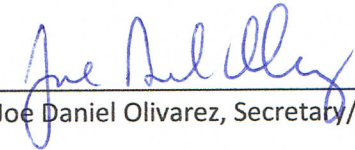
No decisions were made during executive session.

B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property

C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

Joe Olivarez made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Michael Cano seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.

Attested by:

 3-21-11

Joe Daniel Olivarez, Secretary/Treasurer Date