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HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

5:30 PM, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

LRGVDC TRANSPORTATION CENTER

510 S. PLEASANTVIEW DRIVE

WESLACO, TEXAS

PRESIDING: DENNIS BURLESON, CHAIRMAN

Board Members Present:

Dennis Burleson, Chairman

Joe Olivarez, Secretary/Treasurer

Ricardo Perez

David Guerra

Forrest Runnels

Alonzo Cantu

Others:

Godfrey Garza, Jr.

Flor E. Koll

Dan Rios, Legal Counsel

Not Present: Michael Cano, Vice-Chair

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

Bea Whitlock commented on money spent by the HCRMA.

Fern McClaugherty commented on the Vehicle Registration fees and the amount of money being spent by the HCRMA.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Consideration and Approval of Minutes for 7/19, 7/27 and 8/22

David Guerra motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Ricardo Perez seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

B. Consideration and Approval of Expense Report for September 2011

Joe Olivarez motioned to approve the Expense Report as presented, Forrest Runnels seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

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

Cheryl Bellamy presented the financial reports. Alonzo Cantu made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented, David Guerra seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

D. Update on Lease Agreement with City of Pharr regarding relocation of RMA Building

1. Discussion, consideration and approval to begin transfer of all utilities from City of Pharr to HCRMA – **Resolution 2011-32**

Godfrey Garza reported a lease agreement had been received and was under review by our legal counsel. Alonzo Cantu made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-32 contingent upon Legal Counsel approving lease, David Guerra seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

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

A. Status update on

1. HCRMA Roadway System Projects – Godfrey Garza

2. Update on Negotiations with Surveying and Engineering Firms for TCC – Godfrey Garza

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Godfrey Garza reported working with consultants on the negotiations. Comments were received from TxDOT and Planning Committee is moving forward with negotiations, scope and fees are pretty cleared up. TEDSI submitted proposal on design for US 281 which will be forward to TxDOT for review.

3. Tiger Grant III Application – Godfrey Garza

Godfrey Garza reported this item was pending waiting for the Program Manager to come on board. Chairman Burleson stated this item would be on the next agenda for action.

4. Pass Through Projects - Jody Ellington, P.E., TxDOT

Jody Ellington gave a brief report on the status of the Pass Through Agreement for FM 755.

5. HCMPO Policy Committee Meeting (Proposition 12 funds) – Andrew Canon

No report.

6. Update on Project Finance – Richard Ramirez, First Southwest

Chairman Burleson reported that First Southwest would be gathering information to bring an update at the next HCRMA board meeting.

- B. Discussion, consideration and selection of Toll Integration/Traffic Management Service –

Resolution 2011-29

Alonzo Cantu made a motion to table this item, Forrest Runnels seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Forrest Runnels made a motion to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney regarding item 4C, David Guerra seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously. Regular session was adjourned and the board entered Executive Session at 6:09 pm.

Chairman Burleson announced no decisions were made during executive session and called the meeting to order at 6:19 pm.

- C. Discussion, consideration and approval of Agreement with Dannenbaum Engineering regarding General Contracting/Program Management Services – **Resolution 2011-31**

Godfrey Garza gave a brief overview on the status of the agreement. David Guerra asked TxDOT's opinion, Jody Ellington stated this contract is reviewable by TxDOT. Mr. Ellington reported the review would take at least two weeks. *Alonzo Cantu made a motion to table this item, David Guerra seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

- D. Discussion on statewide outreach and representation

No discussion.

5. Chairman's Report – Dennis Burleson

- A. Federal Update

- B. Letter to John Barton

- C. Transportation Forum

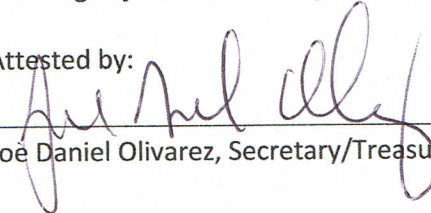
Chairman Burleson briefly reported on the Letter to TxDOT regarding the La Joya Relief Route, also invited the board members to attend the Transportation Forum in February 2012.

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6. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE:
- A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney
 - B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property
 - C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Attested by:



Joe Daniel Olivarez, Secretary/Treasurer Date