



**Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
November 30, 2009
Minutes**

Opening:

A meeting of the MOTOR MPO Technical Advisory Committee was called to order at 4:10 PM on November 30, 2009 in the conference room of the Wright Office Complex by Melba Owens, MOTOR Executive Director.

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Melba Owens	Executive Director, MOTOR MPO
Matt Squyres	Director of Public Works, City of Odessa
Gary J. Law	Director of TP&D, TxDOT-Odessa District
Rick Crownover	Director of Development Services, City of Midland
Fred Crawford	Director, Ector County Public Works
Cameron Walker	Planning Division Manager, City of Midland
Edward Esparza	General Manager, MOU/D
Bryan Raschke	Director of Operations, TxDOT Odessa District

Technical Advisory Committee Members Not Present:

Felipe Acosta	Superintendent, Midland County Road & Bridge
Alfredo Gonzales	Public Transportation Coordinator, TxDOT-Odessa District
Marwan Khoury	Director of Planning, City of Odessa

Others in Attendance:

Robert Wall	Transportation Planner, MOTOR MPO/WTO
Angela Wolf	Administrative Planning Assistant, MOTOR MPO
Stephanie Fuentes	Senior Transportation Planner, MOTOR MPO
Bill Hodge	GIS Division Manager, City of Midland
Sharon Oldaker	Engineering Specialist, TxDOT-Odessa District
Kyle Womack	Parkhill, Smith and Cooper

Agenda Item

2. Announcements and Introductions

Cameron Walker is a grandfather as of November 4th. Congratulations Cameron!

3. Approval of Minutes for November 5, 2009 TAC Meeting

The motion was made to approve the minutes by Rick Crownover and seconded by Fred Crawford. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of an amendment to the 2008-2011 TIP

The 2008-2011 TIP has been amended to reflect actual costs of each of the ARRA funded highway projects previously listed in the TIP. All three have let under the engineer's estimate. Two new projects were added to spend the remaining balance of ARRA funds. These two projects are improvements to the intersection at the SH 349 Reliever Route at CR60/FM 1788 and the remaining portion of the FM 307 left turn lane (from CR 1140 to CR 1150) that had previously been taken off of that project because of projected estimates. Also, the financial summary of the TIP has been updated to show that \$700,000 of the SH 349 Reliever Route/SH 158 bridge will be funded by Prop 14. We have recently been informed of this change. This amendment is due to TxDOT-Austin by 5:00 p.m. on December 11. Obtaining necessary approvals will require a special called Policy Board meeting at the end of the public review period on December 10. The motion was made to approve the amendment by Matt Squyres and seconded by Gary Law. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of the 2010-2035 MTP

The 2010-2035 MTP public comment period has ended. We received no comments from the public. Wilbur Smith Associates will be delivering bound hard copies of the document to us next week. We have recently been informed that all MTPs in the state must meet the same financial constraint guidelines. These guidelines were released by the Texas Transportation Commission on November 20. Based on this guidance, our MTP does not meet the statewide guidelines. We have had a conference call with FHWA about this situation and came to the understanding that it would be best to adopt the plan as is, then begin work on an amendment to the MTP to bring it into fiscal constraint. This amendment will need to be completed by summer of 2010. The motion was made to approve the final 2010-2035 MTP by Matt Squyres and seconded by Cameron Walker. Gary Law and Brian Raschke abstained from the vote. All other voting members voted in favor of the motion.

6. Amendment to Work Authorization #4 of contract with Wilbur Smith Associates – to assist with writing a proposal for All Aboard America to run intercity transit service

This proposal is being submitted as part of the Public Transportation Division's Coordinated Call that is due in Austin on December 21. The execution of the amendment will occur after final approval by the MOUTD Board for All Aboard America to proceed with this proposal, and after final PTN approval for the MOTOR MPO to pay Wilbur Smith & Associates for writing the proposal from the balance remaining in our 5304 planning funds that were awarded for the Intercity Transit Study. The intercity service is planned as a pilot project that will have private in-kind matches and will not require any cash match from the cities of Midland or Odessa. The motion was made to proceed with taking this amendment to the Policy Board by Matt Squyres and seconded by Edward Esparza. The motion passed unanimously.

7. MPO Staff Reports

a. TxDOT call for enhancement projects

Applications are due December 18th to TxDOT.

8. Project Reports

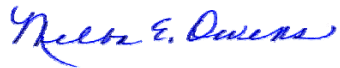
a. TxDOT – Odessa District

- None given
- b. City of Midland**
None given
- c. County of Midland**
None given
- d. City of Odessa**
None given
- e. County of Ector**
None given

9. Adjourn

The Meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM by Melba Owens. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 7, 2009, at 8:30 AM in the MOTOR Conference Room of the Wright Office Complex.

Approved by: Melba E. Owens



MOTOR MPO Executive Director