



Technical Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2010

Voting Members Present:

Dean Danos
Renee Green, P.E.
Trish Wallace, AICP
Christina Delacruz, P.E.
Ken Zigrang
Christina Castaño

Alamo Area Council of Governments
Bexar County
City of San Antonio Planning Department
City of San Antonio Public Works Department
Texas Department of Transportation
VIA Metropolitan Transit

Voting Members Absent:

Manuel Longoria
Richard LaBiche
Blake Partridge

Greater Bexar County Council of Cities
Private Transportation Providers
Northeast Partnership

Others Present:

Jim Harvey, AICP
Richard Higby
Lilly Banda, P.E., PTOE
Garry Ford, P.E., PTOE
Scott Ericksen
Jeanne Geiger
Zack Graham
Lydia Kelly
Stephanie Lee Velasquez
Mona Lisa Zertuche
Darcie Schipull
Jason Rodriguez
John Friebele, P.E., PTOE

Alliance Transportation Group
Bexar County
City of San Antonio
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Metropolitan Planning Organization
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Texas Department of Transportation
VIA Metropolitan Transit
Wilbur Smith Associates

Renee Green called the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Jeanne Geiger called roll. A quorum was present.

2. Citizens to be Heard

There were none.

3. Approval of the May 7, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Christina Castaño moved and Christina Delacruz seconded the motion to approve the May 7, 2010 meeting minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Discussion and Appropriate Action on an Amendment to the FY 2010-2011 Unified Planning Work Program

Stephanie Lee Velasquez presented the amendments to the FY 2010-2011 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Velasquez noted the current scope of work for Subtask 5.4 Transportation Analysis in the South Texas Medical Center is proposed to be revised at Mr. Jim Reed's (President of the San Antonio Medical Foundation) request. The scope will focus on surveying persons who are destined to and those who travel through the Medical Center area to reach their final destinations. Velasquez noted that there is no change in the project budget.

Velasquez stated VIA Metropolitan Transit is seeking federal funds to conduct the Alternatives Analysis for the north-south and east-west starter segments of the proposed streetcar system. In order to be considered for funding the project must be contained in the UPWP. Therefore, Subtask 5.13 Streetcar Starter System Alternatives Analyses is recommended to be amended into the UPWP. Inclusion of this project does not affect the MPO's funding. Velasquez distributed an updated version of the amendment clarifying that VIA's intent is for the east-west and north-south alternatives analyses be two separate efforts.

Velasquez also noted that the MPO's PL-112 plus FTA Section 5303 FY 2011 allocation increased from an estimated \$2,500,000 to \$2,500,186. That update is also being reflected in the UPWP amendment.

Dean Danos moved and Christina Delacruz, P. E. seconded the motion to recommend approval of the amendments to the FY 2010-2011 Unified Planning Work Program. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Draft Final Report for Subtask 4.6 Support for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Jim Harvey presented the draft final report for Subtask 4.5 Support for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update. This project was led by Alliance Transportation Group with a budget of \$325,000. Elements of the project included Project Initiation, Public Outreach and Participation including the Visioning Workshops and Scenario Planning Workshops, and Travel Demand Modeling.

Renee Green suggested that the purpose of the report be added to the presentation and statement as to how the report can be used.

For information and discussion only. Action is scheduled for August 2010.

6. Discussion and Appropriate Action on the Draft Final Report for Subtask 3.7 Traffic Signal Re-timing Study IV

John Friebele presented the draft final report for Subtask 3.7 Traffic Signal Re-timing Study IV. He stated the project's budget was \$497,500 and the purpose was for the consultant team to perform signal system timing analyses for direct implementation in the field. Signal systems studied were the Flores/Pleasanton System (19 intersections), Near West Side System (56 intersections) Eisenhower System (9 intersections), and Rittiman Road System (5 intersections). The study consisted of a "Before" and "After" evaluation of the systems' performance.

Friebele presented the study time line, overview of the systems evaluated, and summary of results.

Renee Green requested Friebele find documentation verifying the cost of \$0.02 per vehicle stop.

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7. Announcements

Trish Wallace distributed a flyer for the upcoming Context Sensitive Solutions Workshop to be held on July 27th.

Jeanne Geiger announced agenda items for the July Transportation Policy Board meeting included the UPWP amendments that action was taken on, the appointment of the Pedestrian Mobility Advisory Committee Chair, contract award for the Traffic Signal Re-timing Study V and the flexing of STP-MM funding to the Federal Transit Administration at the request of VIA.

Renee Green asked if it was possible that the August Transportation Policy Board meeting would be cancelled since agencies would be in the middle of their budget processes at that time.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.



Renee Green, P.E.

Chair

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