

MINUTES

HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (HCRMA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
4:00 PM - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2009
EDINBURG CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
415 WEST UNIVERSITY DRIVE
EDINBURG, TEXAS

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, V.T.C.A., AS AMENDED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING OF THE HIDALGO COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY WILL BE HELD AT 4:00 PM ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2009 AT EDINBURG CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 415 WEST UNIVERSITY DRIVE, EDINBURG, TEXAS.

In attendance were:

Board Members:

Mr. Dennis Burleson, Chairman
Mr. Rick Perez, Vice-Chair
Mr. Ramiro Salazar, Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Ricardo Perez (late: 5:00 pm)
Mr. Joe Olivarez
Mr. Juan Maldonado

Others:

Ms. Fern McClaugherty, O.W.L.S.
Mr. Jesse Salinas, TEDSI
Ms. Maria O. Leach, O.W.L.S.
Mr. Victor Morales, LRGVDC
Mr. Martin Vila, Raba-Kistner
Mr. Gerry Pate, PTP/HCRB
Ms. Flor E. Koll
Mr. Reza Badiozzamani, HCRB
Mr. Beh Badiozzamani, L&G
Mr. Anthony Covacevich
Mr. Godfrey Garza, Jr.
Ms. Blakely Fernandez, TRPSA
Mr. Dan Rios, Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Chairman Burleson called the meeting to order at 4:18 and stated that a quorum was present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Fern McClaugherty made comments regarding the waiving of qualifications and posting for Executive Director.

3. CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION TO EXTEND, MODIFY OR CANCEL THE PROCUREMENT FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SERVICES.

Mr. Juan Maldonado discussed the board's previous action to waive the qualifications for the Executive Director. Mr. Maldonado questioned whether Roberts Rules had been followed in the process. Ms. Blakely Fernandez interpreted Robert's Rules for the Board.

Mr. Salazar made a motion to reopen and repost for Letters of Intent without the qualifications, Mr. Maldonado seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion did not carry 3 to 2 votes. Mr. Dennis Burleson, Mr. Rick Perez (Vice-Chair), and Mr. Joe Olivarez voted against; Mr. Salazar and Mr. Maldonado voted for. Mr. Ricardo Perez (member) was not yet present.

4. PRESENTATIONS BY SHORT LISTED CANDIDATES FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONSULTANT, INCLUDING QUESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS

A. Anthony Covacevich

Mr. Anthony Covacevich presented himself before the board and gave a brief summary of his qualifications.

B. Godfrey Garza, Jr.

Mr. Godfrey Garza gave a brief summary of his qualifications and experience.

C. Roberto J. Villarreal

Mr. Roberto J. Villarreal withdrew from the selection of candidates and was not present at the meeting.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS ITEM:

Review and Appropriate action on HCRB Invoice # 1494-003A: Schematic E Design & Support Services.

Mr. Gerry Pate gave a brief update, stating that the GMP had been submitted to Ms. Blakely Fernandez (Legal Counsel). Mr. Reza Badiozzamani then addressed the Board, giving a brief summary and answered questions.

Mr. Salazar made a motion to approve payment of Invoice #1494-003A, Mr. Perez, Vice-Chair seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

6. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Discussion, Consideration and Selection of Executive Director Candidate and Authorization for Executive Committee to enter into negotiations with Selected Candidate

Mr. Maldonado made a motion to select Mr. Anthony Covacevich as the selected candidate for Executive Director, Mr. Salazar seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion did not carry, two to four, with members Salazar and Maldonado voting in favor of the motion and Members Burluson, Perez (Vice-Chair), Olivarez and Perez voting against the motion. Mr. Perez, Vice-Chair then made a motion to select Mr. Garza as the primary candidate and Mr. Covacevich as the secondary, Mr. Ricardo Perez, seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried four to two with Members Burluson, Olivarez, Perez and Perez, Vice-Chair voting in favor of the motion and Members Maldonado and Salazar voting against the motion.

B. Discussion, Consideration, and Action on Risk Fee Assessment Consultant (E. Owen)

Mr. Ramiro Salazar made a motion to table the action on Risk Fee Assessment Consultant for the next regular meeting, Mr. Ricardo Perez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551:

A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney

B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property

C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

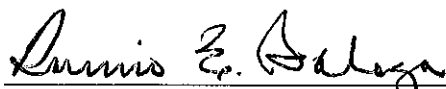
No Executive Session was called.

8. NEW BUSINESS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Burluson announced the groups that were submitted for the Professional Services Agreement: Raba-Kistner, TEDSI, Dannembaum and S&B Infrastructure. Next Board meeting scheduled for November 12, 2009.

9. ADJOURNMENT *Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm*

Attest:



Ramiro E. Salazar, Secretary/Treasurer