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Regional Transportation Authority Technical Management Committee

Minutes of April 22, 2009, Meeting

Committee Members Present

Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County, Chair
Jim Glock, City of Tucson, TDOT, Vice Chair
John Bernal, Pima County
Barbara Johnson (for Gilbert Davidson), Town of Marana
Jerene Watson (for David Andrews), Town of Oro Valley
Jim Stahle, Town of Sahuarita
Frank Thomson, Thomson Associates
Roger Caldwell, UA, Energy/Air Quality
Marcelino Flores, Pascua Yaqui Tribe
Paul Cella, Retired Engineer
Jim Schoen, Kittelson & Associates
Joel Gastelum, City of South Tucson
William Carroll, Engineering and Environmental Consultants, Inc. (EEC)
Katrina Heineking, Sun Tran/Sun Van

Staff

Gary Hayes
Jim DeGroot
Rosie Soto
Jeff Hildebrand
Rob Samuelsen
Dan Sullivan
Sheila Storm

Public/Agencies/Others

Craig Civalier, Town of Oro Valley
Priscilla Cornelio, Pima County
Dan Keeley, Quest Civil
Greg Gentsch, ADOT

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair Huckelberry at 8:30 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of Nov. 19, 2008

Motion was made by Jim Schoen to approve the minutes of Nov. 19, 2008, seconded by Roger Caldwell, and approved unanimously.

3. Call to the Audience

Dan Keeley of Quest Civil Construction addressed the Committee regarding the usage of the Alternative Delivery Methods to Expedite Project Delivery.

4. RTA Executive Director's Report

Gary Hayes started by welcoming William Carroll as a new TMC member. Gary commended Pima County for a well-run election and mentioned that the first meeting of the Uniform Mitigation Subcommittee (Subcommittee of CART) will be held on April 23 at noon. Gary also reported that the State Transportation Board approved the Twin Peaks Interchange and should start construction next month, and the rollout of the new circulator service in Marana, Oro Valley, Green Valley and Sahuarita is May 4.

5. RTA Citizens Accountability for Regional Transportation (CART) Committee Report

Sheila Storm announced that General Wickham submitted his resignation to the CART Committee and the new Committee members are: Grace Evans, Larry Steckler, Colin Zimmerman, and Curt Lueck. Sheila reiterated that the development of the Uniform Mitigation Subcommittee was discussed at the last CART meeting and the unveiling of the circulator system will be May 4.

6. RTA Project Update (construction, billings and IGA's)

Jim DeGroot provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding RTA Project Status Updates. Items reviewed:

- RTA Plan Current Project Status
- EVM w/Revised Major Elements BCWS
- All RTA Projects
- Results of BCWS Adjustments
- Roadway Improvement Element
- Safety Element
- Environmental and Economic Vitality Element
- Transit Element
- EVM Observations

If you would like a copy of the presentation, please contact Rosie Soto at 792-1093 or rsoto@pagnet.org.

7. Financial Update

Jim DeGrood provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the RTA financial outlook. Items reviewed:

- Market Value of RTA Fund
- Monthly Revenue Trends (YoY)
- Annual Revenue Estimate Comparison
- Annual Excise Tax Collection Forecast
- Cashflow Projections
- RTA Revenues, Expenditures, Commitments and Projected Revenue
- RTA Projected Revenues and Expenditures
- Cashflow Observations

Brief discussion followed presentation.

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8. Implementation Period One Roadway Element Projects

Jim Degrood reviewed the First Period Schedule Report. Jim explained that all but one project has experienced delays due to permitting issues with the Corps of Engineers and the risks of public safety issues due to Qwest's utility relocation delays. Jim also stated that staff is exploring with a consultant the possibility of moving forward with a regional general permitting approach for RTA road projects.

9. Use of Alternative Delivery methods to Expedite Project Delivery

Jim DeGrood reported that the business community primarily has expressed an interest in a broader use of Alternate delivery methods.

Barbara Johnson stated that the Town of Marana has used Construction Manager at Risk and projects that were highly challenged were completed before schedule and within budget.

John Bernal mentioned that with regard to federalizing RTA projects, the Feds are not ready to accept Alternate Delivery Methods.

Jim Stahle suggested leaving the decision up to each jurisdiction.

Greg Gentsch reported that the state's experience has been that as long as it is known what

needs to be done for that particular project, money can be saved. However, the Alternate Delivery Method is certainly not suited for every project.

10. RTA Policies, Objectives and Procedures (POPs)

Jim DeGrood briefly reviewed the POPs handouts and suggested that the RTA TMC consider adopting a subcommittee to review and revise the POPs for roadway projects.

Motion was made by the Committee to form a Policies, Objectives and Procedures (POPs) Subcommittee to review and revise the POPs for roadway projects.

11. Future Agenda Items

None identified.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.