



CORPUS CHRISTI REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, June 22, 2009
RTA Board Room
5658 Bear Lane
Corpus Christi, Texas
11:00 a.m.

1. Review of Subcommittee Minutes – April 27, 2010 Attachment 1
2. Capital Projects Update..... Attachment 2
3. Adjournment

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Chair: Ricardo Ramon
Members: Connie Scott, John Valls, Crystal Lyons

On **Friday, June 17, 2010** this Notice was posted by **Beth Vidaurri** at the RTA Administrative Offices, 5658 Bear Lane, Corpus Christi, Texas.

**DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2010
RTA BOARD ROOM
5658 BEAR LANE
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS
11:00 a.m.**

Subcommittee Members Present: Ricardo Ramon (Chair), Crystal Lyons

Subcommittee Members Absent: Connie Scott, John Valls

Board Members Present: Judy Telge

Staff Members Present: Ed Carrion (Chief Executive Officer); Jorge Cruz-Aedo, Sharon Montez, Angie Felix, Beth Vidaurri

Public Present: Eloy Soza

Call to Order

Mr. Ramon called the meeting to order at 11a.m.

Review of Subcommittee Minutes – February 23, 2010

The Subcommittee minutes of February 23, 2010 were accepted as presented.

Update on ARRA Bus Stop Improvements and Shelters

Ms. Montez reported that in the four identified zones, ADA improvements had been completed on 78 out of 179 bus stops. Final inspection was still pending. She stated that bus stops that were in close proximity had been re-positioned.

Regarding the bus stop shelter installation program, Ms. Montez stated that nineteen 13-foot shelters with amenities would be placed at the improved bus stops after they were inspected for ADA compliance. Twenty-five 9-foot shelters had been received and about sixteen shelters had been installed. She amended the list of bus stops identifying where shelters had been installed noting that shelter placement had been postponed at Ayers/Fannin, Leopard/Battlin Buc, and Staples/Moore Plaza due to construction. In order to maintain the replacement schedule, shelters had been installed at Gollihar/Shaw, Cimarron/Sage, and Morgan/Headley.

Update on Sustainability Program

Ms. Montez reported that since the last report in February 2010, a “Green Team” had been established and had reviewed the Sustainability Program Plan. They

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decided to increase the number of members and discussed using a different style of vehicle to attract choice riders. She said that an application had been submitted to the American Public Transportation Association to be a member of their Sustainability Program and that the Authority had received a logo that could be used on all press releases. She also reported that Mr. Carrion had met with Mr. Angel Escobar, City Manager for the City of Corpus Christi, to discuss Transit Oriented Development (TOD) and that the Authority had participated in the Earth Day/Bay Day event.

Mr. Carrion explained that two additional discretionary sustainability funding opportunities had been announced. In May a presentation would be made on the funding availability and the Authority's plans. He stated that a discussion between the City of Corpus Christi Gas Department and the RTA on setting up a slow-fill natural gas site at RTA's Bear Lane facility had been held last week. He stated that it appeared that this would be feasible since some buses were reaching their service life and would need to be replaced. He expressed the opinion that it would be the optimum time to research alternative fuel usage.

In response to Mr. Ramon, Mr. Carrion stated that compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicles did have set miles that they could run before needing to be re-fueled, but that they could be used on express routes or route modifications could be made on the longer routes.

Mr. Ramon inquired about the price difference between a diesel and a CNG bus. Mr. Carrion stated that the purchase price for a CNG bus was about an additional \$60,000 more than the purchase price for a diesel bus. He noted that rebates were available for purchasing alternative fuel vehicles and passage of an energy bill could also reduce the purchase price.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Submitted by: Beth Vidaurri

CEO's CAPITAL PROJECTS MONTHLY REPORT

June 22, 2010

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ONGOING			
#	PROJECT	SCOPE	STATUS
C-1	ARRA ADA Bus Stop Improvements – Phase I		The construction began the January 18, 2010. The estimated completion date is May 31, 2010. Ram-Bro Construction will work on Zones 1 – 3 and A. Ortiz Construction and Paving will work on Zone 4. Out of 163 bus stops 153 have been completed to date.
		\$1,354,407	
C-2	Master Plan Phase III	Scope of work is the renovation of the Vehicle Maintenance area, which includes construction of new offices and work areas for all Facilities and Vehicle Maintenance staff.	The project has reached final completion. RTA staff will provide for the installation of the money room vault for the relocation of the existing money room.
		\$5.8 million (FTA funding and local funds)	

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UNDER DEVELOPMENT			
#	PROJECT	SCOPE	STATUS
D-1	Procurement and placement of 12-18 Shelters in the Downtown Area	Scope includes shelter pads, ADA sidewalk improvements, landscaping, signage, kiosks and shelter placements in the downtown area.	There are four bus stops in the downtown area that have been selected for improvement. Improvements will include ADA infrastructure improvements, shelters and minimal landscaping. It was determined by the City that a Certification of Categorical Exclusion is required and is the RTA's responsibility. The environmental review is underway.
		\$198,400	
D-2	ARRA ADA Bus Stop Improvements – Phase II	Scope includes sidewalks, curb cuts, new curbs and gutters, landing and shelter pads.	At the April Board meeting RVE, LNV and NEI were the selected Engineering firms for the ARRA I – Phase II design and AG/CM was selected as the Project Management firm. The contract has been finalized for AG/CM, the project management firm. The contract negotiations with the three engineering firms will began week of June 7, 2010.
		\$1,000,000 (estimated for construction)	