



**MINUTES
TYLER AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Friday, April 27th, 2007, 9:00 a.m.

**Tyler Development Center
423 W. Ferguson, Tyler, Texas**

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Van Ness called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

II. Proof of Posting, Determination of a Quorum

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bobby Van Ness	Commissioner, Smith County
Joel Baker	County Judge, Smith County
Bob Turner	City Manager, City of Tyler
Ronny Fite	City Manager, City of Whitehouse
Bill Ward, P.E.	Capital Projects, City of Tyler
Mary M. Owen, P.E.	TxDOT Tyler District Engineer
Barbara Maley, AICP	Federal Highway Administration
Davis Dickson	Tyler Airport Manager
Kirk Houser, P.E.	Traffic Engineer, City of Tyler
Randy Redmond, P.E.	TxDOT, TPP
Leon Alder	General Manager, Tyler Transit

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Joey Seeber	Mayor, City of Tyler
Jim Cox	City Manager, City of Lindale
Bill Bala, P.E.	Smith County Engineer
Charles Murray	Air Quality Specialist
Greg Morgan, P.E.	Water Utilities Operations Manager, City of Tyler
Jim Cox	City of Lindale
Dale Booth, P.E.	TxDOT, Adv. Project Development Engineer
Fred Marquez	TxDOT, Transportation Planner

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dale Spitz	TxDOT, Transportation Administrator
Heather Nick	MPO
Angela Choy	MPO
Barbara Holly	MPO

III. Introduce new MPO Staff: Barbara Holly, Director of Planning and Zoning and Angela Choy, GIS Planner/Developer, City of Tyler, Texas.

Bobby Van Ness introduced Judge Joel Baker the new MPO Policy Committee Member. Heather Nick introduced new staff members to the Policy Committee.

IV. Consideration of Minutes from the previous meetings of the Tyler Area Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting: July 24, 2006.

On motion by Bill Ward, seconded by Ronny Fite, and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee approved the July 24, 2006 meeting minutes as presented.

V. Discussion and Action: Amendments to the Policy Committee By-laws

On Motion by Ronny Fite, seconded by Bob Turner and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee adopted the amendment to the Policy Committee By-laws as presented.

VI. Discussion and Action: Amendments to the Unified Planning Work Program

On Motion by Mary Owen, seconded by Bill Ward and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee adopted the amendment to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as presented.

VII. Discussion and Action: Adoption of the 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

On Motion by Bill Ward, seconded by Joel Baker and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee adopted the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) as presented.

VIII. Discussion and Action: Adoption of the Public Participation Plan (PPP)

On Motion by Ronny Fite, seconded by Bill Ward and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee adopted the Public Participation Plan (PPP) as presented.

IX. Open/Public Comment Period

Mary Owen stated that there is a \$600,000,000 rescission so the Loop 49 mobility project was shifted up a year. She stated that there is less certainty beyond 2009. Mary Owen stated that The Commission has determined we need to take care of what we have rather than building more. Leon Alder, General Manager of Tyler Transit, introduced himself.

X. Adjourn

On Motion by Ronny Fite and seconded by Bob Turner, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.