



**MINUTES**  
**TYLER AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**  
**POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Thursday, November 12, 2009, 4:00 p.m.  
Tyler Development Center  
423 W. Ferguson, Tyler, Texas

**I. Call to Order**

Chairperson Bass called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

**II. Proof of Posting, Determination of a Quorum and Introductions**

**POLICY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| *Barbara Bass          | Mayor, City of Tyler                    |
| *Joel Baker            | County Judge, Smith County              |
| *Jeff Warr             | County Commissioner, Smith County       |
| *Mark McDaniel         | City Manager, City of Tyler             |
| *Owen Scott            | City Manager, City of Lindale           |
| *Mike Turman           | Mayor, City of Noonday                  |
| *Carter Delleney, P.E. | City Engineer, City of Tyler            |
| *Doug Nicholson        | County Road Administrator, Smith County |
| *Randy Hopmann, P.E.   | Engineer, TxDOT Tyler District          |
| Barbara Holly          | Executive Director, Tyler Area MPO      |

**POLICY BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

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| *Mike Peterson  | Interim City Manager, City of Whitehouse     |
| *Gary Halbrooks | North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority |

\*Denotes voting member

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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| Kristy Range    | Paratransit Education and Advocacy Collaborative    |
| Vernon Webb     | TxDOT Tyler District                                |
| Tony Filippini  | Tyler Area MPO                                      |
| Heather Nick    | Tyler Area MPO                                      |
| Casey Murphy    | Tyler Morning Telegraph                             |
| Clay Evers      | Freese and Nichols                                  |
| Jamal Moharer   | NDMJ & North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority |
| Dale Booth      | TxDOT Tyler District                                |
| Brooke Fletcher | Bucher, Willis & Ratliff                            |
| Glen Cowart     | Bucher, Willis & Ratliff                            |
| Gary Graham     | Bucher, Willis & Ratliff                            |
| Michael Wilson  | City of Tyler                                       |
| John Hedrick    | East Texas Council of Governments                   |
| Scott Wall      | City of Tyler                                       |

**III. Consideration of Minutes from the previous meetings of the Tyler Area Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting: October 27, 2009**

On motion by Carter Delleney seconded by Mike Turman and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee approved the October 27, 2009, meeting minutes as presented.

**IV. Discussion: Ethical Standards Affidavit**

Ms. Barbara Holly presented the proposed revisions to the Tyler Area Metropolitan Planning Organization By-laws. The Texas State Legislature amended Section 472.034, Standards of Conduct; Ethics Policy, of the Texas Transportation Code. The amendment requires the policy committee to adopt a code of ethics into the by-laws of the metropolitan planning organization and that all policy committee members and employees of the metropolitan planning organization be given a copy of the MPO ethics policy. The By-law revisions will be on the Dec. 4, 2009 Tyler Area MPO Policy Committee agenda for consideration.

**V. Discussion: Discuss the 2035 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update**

Gary Graham of Bucher, Willis & Ratliff reviewed the project listings of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2035 and took comments from the Policy Committee.

**VI. Presentation of the Texas Department of Transportation Strategic Planning Process**

Randy Hopmann, District Engineer for the Tyler District of the Texas Department of Transportation, presented the Department's Strategic Planning Process for FY 2011-2015. The Strategic Planning Process is under development and available for public comment.

The plan is expected to be presented to the Texas Transportation Commission in February 2010.

**VII. Adjourn**

On Motion by Mark McDaniel, and seconded by Carter Delleney, and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.