



MINUTES
TYLER AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, July 28, 2005, 3:00 p.m.
Tyler Development Center
423 W. Ferguson, Tyler, Texas

I. Call to Order

Mayor Seeber called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Proof of Posting, Determination of a Quorum

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joey Seeber, Mayor	City of Tyler
Bob Turner	City Manager, City of Tyler
Becky Dempsey	County Judge, Smith County
Bobby Van Ness	Commissioner, Smith County
Bill Bala	Smith County Engineer
Bill Ward	Capital Projects, City of Tyler
Greg Morgan, P.E.	Water Utilities Operations Manager, City of Tyler
Randy Redmond, P.E.	TxDOT, TPP
Becky Dennison	FHWA

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mary M. Owen, P.E.	TxDOT, Tyler District Engineer
Dale Booth	TxDOT, Adv. Project Development Engineer
Davis Dickson	Tyler Airport Manager
Dan Peden, P.E.	City Engineer, City of Tyler
Kirk Houser, P.E.	Traffic Engineer, City of Tyler
Norman Schenck	General Manager, Tyler Transit
Steven Hall, P.E.	TxDOT
Fred Marquez	TxDOT, Transportation Planner
Ronny Fite	City Manager, City of Whitehouse
Owen Scott	City of Lindale
Dan Peden, P.E.	City Engineer, City of Tyler

STAFF PRESENT:

Stephanie Rollings	MPO
Dale Spitz	TxDOT, Transportation Administrator
Heather Nick	MPO

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ronald E. Fix, P.E.	City of Bullard
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III. Consideration of Minutes – April 14, 2005.

On Motion by Judge Dempsey, seconded by Bill Ward and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee approved the Minutes as presented.

IV. Discussion: Update and Presentation on Northeast Texas Air Care (NETAC) activities

Overview of NETAC, air quality issues was presented by Greg Morgan, P.E., Tyler Water Utilities Operations Manager. EAC and pilot program were also discussed.

V. Discussion and Action: Discussion and Consideration of the FY 2006-2007 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

The UPWP is a two-year work program intended to describe the urban transportation and transportation-related planning activities scheduled to be performed in fiscal years 2006-2007. These are the tasks to be undertaken using Federal Planning Assistance Funds. Additionally, it describes how the responsibilities will be shared among the entities involved in the transportation planning process.

On Motion by Commissioner Van Ness, seconded by Mayor Seeber and carried unanimously, the Policy Committee adopted the 2006-2007 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) as presented.

VI. Discussion: Administrative change to the 2006 – 2008 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

During formatting of the final draft, “Potential Toll Road” was inadvertently dropped from the project listing. “Potential Toll Road” was included in the draft document available to the public.

Ms. Nick briefed the committee on the administrative change. No action required.

VII. Discussion: 5-Year MPO Work Study

Per the request of past MPO staff, the Texas Transportation Institute TTI has provided guidance to the MPO regarding staffing requirements, project schedules and other related issues at no cost to the MPO.

VIII. Discussion: Updating existing (1998 Base Year) Travel Demand Model

Mr. Spitz briefed the committee on the updating status of the existing 1998 model to a 2002 base year travel demand model.

IX. Public Comment Period

Mr. Fix requested that the City of Bullard be included in the Tyler Area MPO boundary.

X. Adjourn

On Motion by Judge Dempsey, seconded by Mayor Seeber and carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.