NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Minutes — April 25, 2019

Transportation Council Room

616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas

President Strength called the regular meeting of the North Central Texas Council of Governments Executive Board to order at 12:51 pm on April 25, 2019.

8. Richard Stopfer

11. Kathryn Wilemon

9. David Sweet

10. Paul Voelker

12. Clay Jenkins

13. Lee Kleinman

Members of the Board Present:

- 1. Kevin Strength
- 2. Ray Smith
- 3. Tom Lombard
- 4. Chris Hill
- 5. Curtistene McCowan
- 6. Bobbie Mitchell
- 7. Tito Rodriguez

Members of the Board Absent:

- 14. J. D. Clark
- 15. Nick Sanders
- 16. Kelly Allen Gray
- 17. Yvonne Davis
- 18. Glen Whitley

Members of the Staff Present:

Mike Eastland, Monte Mercer, Tim Barbee, Doni Green, Edith Marvin, Michael Morris, Molly McFadden, Molly Rendon, David Setzer, Lucille Johnson, Stephanie Cecil, Ken Kirkpatrick, Karen Richard, Donna Coggeshall, Debra Kosarek, Shannon Stevenson, Brian Dell, Sherie Conaway

Visitors Present:

Ricky Rodriguez, Community Outreach, Congressman Ron Wright Gary Barnett, Project Manager, Dikita/Transportation Jerry Cotter, Chief Water Resource, USACE

REGULAR SESSION

ACTION:

Item Approval of Minutes

President Strength stated that the first item on the agenda was approval of the minutes from the March Board meeting.

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Wilemon (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the minutes of the March Executive Board meeting.

Item Resolution to Accept and Approve the Quarterly Investment Report

Molly Rendon, Director of Administration, presented the Investment Report for the guarter that ended March 31, 2019 for acceptance and approval. This report included a supplementary schedule regarding the State's investment activity for Regional Toll Revenue funds and NTTA Hwy 161 funds.

Exhibit: 2019-04-02-AA

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Lombard (seconded by Judge Sweet), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item Resolution Authorizing Contract with Innovative Emergency Management, Inc for Disaster Recovery Plan Consulting Services

Molly McFadden, Director of Emergency Preparedness, asked the Board to authorize disaster recovery plan consulting services with Innovative Emergency Management, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. She explained that the purpose of a regional disaster recovery framework is to help Emergency Managers and other city officials return their communities to a healthy state following a disaster. The Plan would be based on the Department of Homeland Security's National Disaster Recovery Framework. This contract would be utilized by NCTCOG and participating entities as part of the North Texas SHARE cooperative purchasing program.

Exhibit: 2019-04-03 EP

Upon a Motion by Commissioner Mitchell (seconded by Councilmember Kleinman), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 4 Resolution Endorsing an Agreement with Tarrant County College District for Urban Search and Rescue Training and Exercises

Molly McFadden, Director of Emergency Preparedness, asked the Board to endorse an agreement with Tarrant County College District, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 of State Homeland Security Grant Program funds to provide training, exercises, and supporting documentation for Urban Search and Rescue teams in the North Central Texas Region. The State Homeland Security Grant Program project has no local cost-share or match requirements.

Exhibit: 2019-04-04-EP

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Kleinman (seconded by Commissioner Mitchell), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Mayor McCowan entered the meeting.

Item 5 Resolution Authorizing Agreements for the 2017-2018 CMAQ/STBG Funding Initiative: Assessment Policy Program

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, asked the Board to authorize agreements for projects using Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funding selected using the Assessment Policy Program. He explained that the Program is designed to take advantage of value capture mechanisms utilized by local governments. As development along the project area occurs, the RTC is paid back (in part or in full) over time. He explained that the RTC had approved three partnerships in April of 2019 where federal and regional transportation funding will be provided in exchange for a portion of local funding. The RTC will contribute a total of \$23,139,626 in federal and regional transportation funds for the following projects in exchange for a total of \$16,996,213 plus interest in local funds to be repaid by the agencies.

PROJECT	PARTNER(S)	LOCAL FUNDING TO BE RECEIVED ¹	ANTICIPATED PAYBACK PERIOD
SH 360 Frontage Road	City of Grand Prairie	\$5,096,213	Not to exceed 10 years
Avondale-Haslet Road/Haslet Parkway/Intermodal Parkway	City of Haslet	\$6,900,000	Not to exceed 20 years
Lake Highlands DART Station Landbanking	City of Dallas	\$5,000,000	Not to exceed 10 years
	Total	\$16,996,213	

¹ Loan amounts will be repaid with 2.4% interest.

As part of this funding program, the RTC also approved engineering and/or planning activities for three other projects using grants that do not currently include a payback provision. The projects are: the Butler Housing Project in the City of Fort Worth, the Ferguson Parkway in the City of Anna, and the City of Dallas' Priority Zone 1.

Exhibit: 2019-04-05-TR

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Lombard (seconded by Judge Sweet), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 6 Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, dba Trinity Metro, for the Community College Partnership Project

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, asked the Board to authorize an agreement with the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, dba Trinity Metro, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, to provide transit passes for interested Tarrant County College (TCC) students. He explained that NCTCOG staff discussed transportation as an important factor in the success of students from disadvantaged populations in a meeting with Dr. Carson, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and Dr. Giovannini, Chancellor of TCC, in 2018. This discussion led to a project, currently funded by TCC, to provide Trinity Metro transit passes to interested TCC students. By providing alternate funding for this effort, TCC's funds can be utilized to offer more scholarships to underrepresented students. The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) authorized RTC Local funds for this project.

Exhibit: 2019-04-06-TR

Upon a Motion by Mayor McCowan (seconded by Mayor Voelker), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

Item 7 Resolution Authorizing Agreements for the University Partnership Program

Michael Morris, Director of Transportation, asked the Board to authorize the execution of agreements with universities participating in the NCTCOG University Partnership Program, for a total funding amount not to exceed \$1,150,000 over four years. He explained that since 2007, NCTCOG has partnered with the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Texas at Arlington, and Texas Southern University for Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Program. Phase 3 would continue the Program for another four years at \$1,150,000. This Program helps with projects included in the Transportation Department's Unified Planning Work Program and has assisted staff in addressing a total of 41 transportation and air quality planning initiatives to date.

Exhibit: 2019-04-07-TR

Upon a Motion by Councilmember Lombard (seconded by Mayor McCowan), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

APPOINTMENTS:

Item 8 Appointments to the North Central Texas Economic Development District Board (NCTEDD)

Lucille Johnson, Assistant to the Executive Director, explained that the NCTEDD Board is managed and staffed by NCTCOG and functions as an advisory body to the NCTCOG Executive Board to help guide the work of the region's Economic Development District. The region was designated as a district by the U. S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) in December 2016. She asked the Board to appoint two members to serve a three-year term: Phil Wagner, President of the Rockwall Economic Development Corporation and Kevin Shatley, Director of Economic Development for the Dallas Regional Chamber.

Upon a Motion by Mayor Voelker (seconded by Mayor McCowan), and unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved the resolution as presented.

STATUS REPORTS:

Item 9 Presentation of 2019 Current Population Estimates

Brian Lister, Senior Research Data Analyst, presented the 2019 Current Population Estimates for the North Central Texas region. He explained that the population estimates include estimated population totals for all cities over 1,000 in population, each county, the twelve-county metropolitan planning area, and the region. Historical U.S. Census figures are also provided. Local governments provided input as part of the estimation process and were given an opportunity to review draft numbers prior to finalization. He also told the Board that NCTCOG's population estimates are often cited and are recognized for their coverage, timeliness, and uniqueness.

Item 10 Status Update on Integrated Transportation and Stormwater Management Project

Edith Marvin, Director of Environment and Development; Michael Morris, Director of Transportation; and Jerry Cotter, Chief Water Resource for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, briefed the Board on a project to engage in a comprehensive, collaborative planning effort that will break down funding silos and integrate transportation, environmental, and stormwater infrastructure planning. The goal is to lower flooding risks associated with the region's growth and to reduce the costs for response and recovery. The project is a partnership between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and an innovative working group of partners and stakeholders. It includes the undeveloped portion of the upper Trinity River basin in Wise County and portions of Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Johnson, Parker, and Tarrant counties.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Item 11 Old and New Business

Mike Eastland, Executive Director, told the Board that staff was considering cancelling the July 25, 2019 Executive Board meeting. He explained that several cities and counties do not have Council or Commissioners' Court meetings in July. He said staff would look at the business necessary for the July meeting and let Board members know if a meeting was needed.

Item 12 Attendance and Calendar

The Board was provided with a Calendar of meeting and a record of Attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 1:56 pm, President Strength announced that the Executive Board would convene in Executive Session pursuant to Open Meetings Act Sections 551.071 and/or 551.074 to discuss potential litigation regarding personnel claim(s). At 2:02 pm, President Strength closed the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Session of the Board.

There being no other business, President Strength adjourned the meeting at 2:04 pm.

Approved by:

Kevin Strength, President

North Central Texas Council of Governments

Mayor, City of Waxahachie

Checked by:

Mike Eastland, Executive

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