

MINUTES

**Transportation Policy Committee
Of the
Regional Planning Commission
For**

Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard and St. Tammany Parishes

June 11th 2013

Committee Members: David Peralta, Chairman, Mitch Landrieu, 1st Vice Chairman (designee: Cedric Grant), Patricia Brister, Secretary, John Young, Treasurer, Chris Roberts (designee: Erica Harvey), Lee Giorgio, Jack Stumpf, Jacquelyn Clarkson (designee Joe Rochell), Jeffrey Schwartz, Ronald Carrere, Keith Hinkley, Byron Marinovich, Mike Ford, Casey Hunnicutt, Charles Ponstein, David Munn, Steve Stefancik, Reid Falconer, Sherri LeBas (designee: Mike Stack), Jeff Davis (designee), V. J. St. Pierre, Natalie Robottom, Donald Villere, Ryan Brown, Mike Cooper and Bob Zabbia

Attendance: 25

Consultants: Ernest Burguieres, III, Legal Counsel

Staff: Walter Brooks, Jeffrey Roesel, Nicholas Silvey, Megan Leonard, et al



AGENDA

1. Consideration: Approval of May 14, 2013 Minutes
2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
3. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
4. Consideration: Supplemental Agreement No. 1
RPC Contract No. H.004983
G.E.C., Inc. Amount \$48,944
Re: US Highway 11 Widening EA
St. Tammany Parish
5. Presentation: Mr. Jim Donelon
Louisiana Insurance Commissioner
6. Consideration: Public Comment Period
7. Consideration: Other Matters



Mr. Peralta led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the roll call, a quorum was established and the Chairman called the Transportation Policy Committee meeting to order.

1. Consideration: Approval of May 14, 2013 Minutes

Mr. Munn made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Stefancik and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

2. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to page 4 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the New Orleans TIP, Highway & Transit Elements, and provided a brief explanation of each item.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the New Orleans TIP amendments for the Highway & Transit Elements. It was so moved by Mr. Munn, seconded by Mr. Young and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

3. Consideration: Amendment to the St. Tammany Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements

Mr. Brooks referred the members to pages 5 of the meeting packet for the amendments to the St. Tammany TIP, Highway & Transit Elements, and provided a brief explanation of each item.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the St. Tammany TIP amendments for the Highway Element. It was so moved by Mrs. Brister, seconded by Mr. Stefancik and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

**4. Consideration: Supplemental Agreement No. 1
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Mr. Brooks explained the purpose of this supplemental agreement is to prepare improvements to the Environmental Assessment and other related documents for the widening of US 11 in St. Tammany Parish

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the supplemental agreement and to authorize the Chairman and/or Executive Director to execute any documents in connection with this project. It was so moved by Mrs. Brister seconded by Mr. Young, and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

**5. Presentation: Mr. Jim Donelon
Louisiana Insurance Commissioner**

Mr. Brooks introduced Mr. Jim Donelon to the board. Mr. Donelon presented an update of the Louisiana Department of Insurance's policy and how to advise home owners on the hurricane season. After Mr. Donelon's presentation there was a discussion between numerous board members and Mr. Donelon. Mr. Brooks thanked Mr. Donelon for his presentation.

6. Consideration: Public Comment Period

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

7. Consideration: Other Matters

There being no other matters to discuss, the Chairman adjourned the meeting and proceeded to the Regional Planning Commission Meeting.

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1. Consideration: Approval of May 14, 2013 Minutes
2. Committee Reports: (a) Budget and Personnel Committee
(b) Other Committee Reports
3. Consideration: Financial Report
(a) Balance Sheet
(b) Monthly Budget Report
4. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements
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7. Presentation: Regional Brownfield Program Update
By: Rebecca Otte, Regional Planning Commission
8. Consideration: Contract Extensions
9. Consideration: Consultant Billings
10. Consideration: Public Comment Period
11. Consideration: Other Matters



The Chairman called the meeting to order and noted the existence of a quorum.

1. Consideration: Approval of May 14th, 2013 Minutes

The minutes from the meeting of May 14, 2013 were approved upon a motion by Mr. Young, seconded by Mrs. Brister and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

**2. Committee Reports: (a) Budget & Personnel
(b) Other Committee Reports**

Mr. Silvey explained that the committee reports would come under regular agenda items.

**3. Consideration: Financial Report
(a) Balance Sheet of Local Activities
(b) Monthly Budget Report**

Mr. Silvey referred the members to page 7 of the meeting packet for the balance sheet for the month ending April 30, 2013. He indicated that the RPC's total Assets and Liabilities, which include the Fund Balance) in the amount of \$1,797,102.43

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the balance sheet of local activities budget revisions. It was so moved by Mr. Hunnicutt, seconded by Mr. Ponstein and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman

Mr. Silvey then referred the members to page 8 of the meeting packet for the monthly budget report. There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the monthly budget report. It was so moved by Mr. Munn, seconded by Mr. Hunnicutt and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

- 4. Consideration: Amendment to the New Orleans Transportation Improvement Program, Highway & Transit Elements**
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Mr. Brooks requested concurrence of items 4-6 which were recommended for approval by the members of the Transportation Policy Committee.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve items 4-6 in globo. It was so moved by Mr. Stefancik, seconded by Mr. Ponstein and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

**7. Presentation: Regional Brownfield Program Update
By: Rebecca Otte, Regional Planning Commission**

Rebecca Otte, RPC's Brownfield Redevelopment Program Coordinator, presented an update of the RPC's Brownfield Program. The presentation included overviews of Brownfield funding eligibility requirements, the environmental assessment process, Brownfield funding available from various sources

in the region, the total amount awarded to RPC to date, and sites in RPC's parishes that have benefited from Brownfield funding.

13. Consideration: Contract Extensions

Mr. Silvey referred the board to page 9 and explained that the extensions were a time extension only.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the extensions. It was so moved by Mr. Ponstein seconded by Mrs. Brister and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

14. Consideration: Consultant Billings

Mr. Silvey referred the members to a summary list of the consultant bills on page 10 in the meeting packet, noting that staff had reviewed each of them and favorably recommended them for approval.

There being no questions or objections, the Chairman called for a motion to approve the consultant billings. It was so moved by Mrs. Brister, seconded by Mr. Young and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.

15. Consideration: Public Comment Period

The Chairman asked if there was any public comment. There was none.

16. Consideration: Other Matters

There being no other matters to discuss, the Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. It was so moved by Mr. Hunnicutt, seconded by Mrs. Brister and approved unanimously as noted by the Chairman.