

**Capital Area Transportation Planning Organization
CARTPO**

Summary of Minutes

**CAPCOG Boardroom
2520 South IH 35, Suite 100
Austin, TX 78704
Friday July 14, 2006**

PARTICIPANTS:

Ray Sanders, City of Lockhart,
Bill Hamilton, City of Rollingwood
Commissioner Maurice Pitts, Lee County
Mayor Gladys Markert, City of Elgin
Jordan Maddox, City of Georgetown
Commissioner James Oakley, Burnet County
David Goertz, Bastrop County
Doris Howdeshell, TxDOT
Paul Hamilton, Texas State
Elizabeth Ascott, TxDOT
Leroy Click, Travis County
Dave Marsh, CARTS
Joe Holland, TxDOT
Eric Carlson, City of Elgin
Ed Collins, TxDOT
Vicky Valdez, City of Austin
Bruce Byron, CTRMA
Lauren Doss, City of Bee Cave

STAFF PRESENT:

Betty Voights, CAPCOG
Sean Moran, CAPCOG
Eric Dusza, CAPCOG
Georgette Nugent, CAPCOG

1. Call to Order – Chairman Mr. Ray Sanders

Welcome and introduction of all. Marsh makes a motion to approve the minutes, Hamilton seconds the motion. Sanders congratulates Markert, the new mayor of Elgin.

2. TxDOT Travel Division – Dorris Howdeshell, Director, TxDOT Travel Division

Howdeshell gives a Power Point presentation covering location and architecture of travel centers, where funds are derived, and future plans of the Travel Division.

3. Highway 290 Project Update – Ed Collins, TxDOT Austin District

Collins gives an update on US 290 Pass-Through Finance Application –

April 24, 2006 - TxDOT receives proposal for pass-through funding from Zachry.

June 29, 2006 – Texas Transportation commission passed Minute Order 11581.

A notice must be issued for competing proposals to private entities via Texas Register and newspaper. Proposals must be submitted within 45 days. If no proposals are received, a pass-through toll agreement must be negotiated with Zachary.

Discussion ensues.

It is decided to compile a letter commending Robbie Cook.

Hamilton requests another update at next CARTPO meeting.

4. Capital Area Regional Transit Coordination Committee Update – Sean Moran, CAPCOG

Moran brings attention to CARTPO members who work on the RTCC and gives a brief background of RTCC and where they stand now. He then gives a review of the Best Practices Workshop and presents a compilation of External and Internal Coordination Strategies.

Marsh compliments the comment page on RTCC website, explaining how helpful feedback has been. He then commends CAPCOG on taking the lead.

5. Elected Officials Representation on Capital Area Regional Transit Coordination – Mr. Bill Hamilton

CARTPO discusses Hamilton's position as Chair for RTCC. It is decided that whether Chair is and Elected Official or a Community Leader it does not matter. It is the presence the Chair holds in the community.

6. Alternative Transportation Subcommittee Update – Eric Dusza, CAPCOG

Dusza gives an update on items discussed at last Alternative Transportation Subcommittee meeting – rail relocation, freight rail, commute solutions, and bicycle projects. The next meeting is scheduled for August 15, 2006.

7. Other Business

Committee discusses location of CAPCOG move.

A request is made for an update on all TxDOT projects for September meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2006.

8. Adjourn