

SH 183 Managed Lanes Project SB 1420 Committee

State Highway 183 Managed Lanes Expanded Scope Project Senate Bill (SB) 1420 Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 14, 2013, 3:30 PM
Transportation Council Room
616 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76005

Committee Members Present:

Michael Morris, Chair – North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG)

Alberta Blair - Dallas County

Rick Galceran - City of Dallas

Bill Hale – Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)

Ramiro Lopez – City of Irving

Elizabeth Mow – North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA)

Gary McKamie – City of Euless

TxDOT Support Staff Present:

Brian Barth

John Hudspeth

Katie Nees

Dan Peden

Ed Pensock

Randy Redmond

Russell Zapalac

NCTCOG Staff Present:

Chad Edwards

Jeff Neal

Sandy Wesch

A Public Notice of this meeting containing items on the proposed agenda was filed with the Office of the Secretary of State on February 6, 2013 as required by Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, §27.92(f)

Minutes

This was the first regular meeting of the State Highway (SH) 183 Managed Lanes Expanded Scope Project Senate Bill (SB) 1420 Committee. This was a public meeting.

Item 1 - Welcome

Michael Morris provided opening remarks and thanked everyone for coming to the new committee meeting for the expanded scope project.

Item 2 - Introductions

Mr. Morris introduced members of the original committee and the new member to the committee, Gary McKamie from Euless, as well as other visitors, stakeholders and members of the project delivery team.

<u>Item 3 - Meeting Protocol and Purpose of Committee</u>

Randy Redmond gave an update on the purpose of the committee the need for the committee to address the three determinations: the distribution of the projects financial risk, the method of financing and the tolling structure and methodology. Mr. Morris then suggested that the committee focus on item 6 of the agenda in order to elect a chair and vice-chair.

<u>Item 6 – Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair</u>

Alberta Blair made a motion to nominate Mr. Morris as Chair of the committee. The motion was seconded by Rick Galceran. The motion passed with no opposition. Ramiro Lopez made a motion to nominate Ms. Blair as the Vice-Chair of the committee. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Mow. The motion passed with no opposition.

Item 4 – Review of prior SB 1420 Committee discussions

Mr. Morris then suggested returning to item 4 of the agenda. Mr. Redmond gave a brief update on the previous determination and the fact that only one proposer submitted qualification statements on the previous project. After numerous discussions with the previous committee throughout the Fall and Winter, it was determined that a larger project scope was necessary to attract more proposers. So the project has expanded to include SH 183 in Euless as well as portions of LP 12 and SH 114. There was much discussion regarding approvals necessary for continued development of the project including environmental approvals, MTP updates, primacy waivers, and CDA authority. The committee asked TxDOT, NTTA and NCTCOG staff to track these issues. There was also discussion on lane balance and insuring the ability to connect to future projects, specifically the Trinity Parkway project which the NTTA is working on as well as the future interchange at SH 161, NTE 2W, LBJ Express and the DFW connector project.

<u>Item 5 - Presentation by the Texas Department of Transportation on the requirements of Transportation</u> <u>Code, Section 228.013, and Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Sections 27.90-27.92</u>

Ed Pensock discussed the expanded scope project as well and included a discussion on TxDOT's authority to include authorization from the legislature to include SH 114 and LP 12 into the project. Mr. Pensock indicated a strong desire to include this authority in the current legislative session. Mr. Pensock also indicated that TxDOT will complete a matrix of activities that shows the party responsible for each item.

Item 7 - Discussion and possible action on the issuance of the Report of Determinations made by the Committee to the Executive Director of TxDOT regarding the SH 183 Managed Lanes Project in Dallas and Tarrant County

Mr. Morris made a motion to the committee to retain the same determinations as previously agreed to by the committee transferring revenue risk to the private sector, utilize a combination of public and private funds and use the existing toll policy of the region. Mr. Morris also indicated his and the committee's preference that TxDOT pursue the SH 114 short plus project and clarity with respect to the operational elements at the Trinity Parkway and SH 161. The motion was seconded by Ms. Blair. The motion passed with no opposition.

<u>Item 8 - Adjourn</u>

Ms. Mow made a motion to adjourn the February 14, 2013 meeting of the 1420 Committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Blair. The motion passed with no opposition. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 PM.