

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
The Center for Regional Planning and Design
11th Day of May, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Honorable Valerie Abbott
Honorable Mary Buckelew
Mr. Anthony Cicio
Mr. Robert Dickerson
Mr. John Hudson
Honorable Royce King
Mr. Ed Lowe
Honorable Roger McCondichie
Mr. Waylon Pitts
Honorable Adam Stocks
Honorable James Whitfield
Obie Littleton (Alternate for Honorable Billy Joe Driver and Alternate for Honorable Glenda Strength)
Will Johnson (Alternate for Honorable Elias Hendricks)
Keith Pike (Alternative for Honorable Sonny Posey)
Rhonda Blevins (Alternate for Honorable Gary White)

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Larry Watts
Mr. Bill Foisy
Mr. Tim parker
Ms. Emi Burton
Ms. Cissy Edwards

Honorable Royce King called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Buckelew and seconded by Mayor Whitfield to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed. Mr. Johnson abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Burton provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Livable Cities Conference. Mr. Watts reported that the Board orientation is scheduled for June 23 and a questionnaire is provided that will follow the orientation agenda.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Parker reported that the data conversion is underway transferring the accounting from a grant based to a project based format. Timesheets are being automated to allow for electronic transfer into financial software. He reported that the Financial polices and procedures are being updated. Each employee is completing an inventory sheet to update our fixed assets.

Judge King stated that improvement was made on paying bills and the older bills will be investigated to determine if they are still viable. The line of credits has not been used.

Mr. Watts stated that interim steps are being taken to review the payables daily and pay as soon as reimbursement allows. A determination will have to be made concerning using the line of credit to keep the accounts payable aging in line.

PROGRAM BUDGET COMMITTEE

The Committee did not meet. Mr. Watts presented a project status report reflecting highlighted projects that are going well or struggling some. Mr. Watts addressed Mr. Dickerson's concern about a shortfall from state and federal funding. Mr. Watts stated that he would have a report by the July planning session.

There was discussion about the issue of affordable housing. The Board agreed that RPC should continue to include the issue in its work program.

MPO AND RPC/MPO COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Foisy presented a resolution authorizing convening a Transportation Summit and Training meeting to focus on the region's transportation agenda as soon as practical for member governments and stakeholders. The resolution also requests approval for RPC and MPO to seek funding for continuation of the High Speed Rail Feasibility Study in the Alabama Section. A motion was made by Mr. Dickerson and seconded by Commissioner Buckelew to approve the resolution as presented. Motion passed. Mr. Foisy stated that the funding for the study would not seek to redirect funds from other projects.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

No report

CEDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Watts reported that if the EDA is eliminated it would be rolled into a new program. The CEDS update will need to be submitted in July.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mayor Whitfield and seconded by Judge King to approve the Growth Alliance Management Agreement as presented. Motion passed. Mr. Watts stated that this agreement would firm up the working relationship.

Mr. Watts provided a state and federal legislative update stating that the funding was restored to CDBG and would provide more information after the end of May.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Watts presented a resolution to confirm appointments to the Birmingham Regional Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors represented the six county region. A motion was made by Mayor Whitfield to postpone action until the next Board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Commissioner Shelia Smoot, Secretary

Date

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
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26 day of September 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Richard Dickerson
Honorable Larry Dillard
Reginald Holloway
John Hudson
Honorable Royce King
Honorable Roger McCondichie
Mr. Waymon Pitts
Honorable James Whitfield
Ms. Virginia Williams
Ms. Rhonda Blevins (Alternate for Commissioner Gary White)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Honorable Valerie Abbott
Honorable Stan Batemon
Honorable Mary Buckelew
Mr. Anthony Cicio
Ms. Merika Coleman
Honorable B. J. Driver
Honorable Bruce Hamrick
Honorable Elias Hendricks
Honorable Michael Johnson
Honorable Bernard Kincaid
Honorable Larry Langford
Mr. Ed Lowe
Mr. Todd McDonald
Honorable Sonny Posey
Honorable Shelia Smoot
Honorable Adam Stocks
Honorable Glenda Strength

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Larry Watts
Mr. Bill Foisy
Mr. Ray Morris
Mr. Tim Parker
Ms. Kay Argo
Ms. Emi Burton
Ms. Cissy Edwards

Judge Royce King called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. and determined that there was not a quorum present. No business was conducted and the meeting adjourned.

Commissioner Shelia Smoot, Secretary

Date

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
The Center for Regional Planning and Design
9th day of November, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Honorable Mary Buckelew
Honorable Billy Joe Driver (present by Alternate Obie Littleton)
Honorable Reginald Holloway
Honorable Royce King
Honorable Roger McCondichie
Mr. Todd McDonald
Mr. Waymon Pitts
Honorable Sonny Posey (present by Alternate Keith Pike)
Honorable Glenda Strength
Honorable James Whitfield (present by Alternate Brad Watson)
Ms. Virginia Williams

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Honorable Valerie Abbott
Honorable Stan Batemon
Mr. Anthony Cicio
Mr. Richard Dickerson
Honorable Larry Dillard
Honorable Bruce Hamrick
Honorable Elias Hendricks
Mr. John Hudson
Honorable Michael Johnson
Honorable Bernard Kincaid
Honorable Larry Langford
Mr. Ed Lowe
Ms. Merika Coleman
Honorable Shelia Smoot
Honorable Adam Stocks
Honorable Gary White

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Joel Gilbert
Mr. Larry Watts
Mr. Bill Foisy
Mr. Ray Morris
Mr. Tim Parker
Ms. Emi Burton

The meeting was called to order by Judge King and it was determined that a quorum was not present. Meeting adjourned with no business being conducted.

Commissioner Shelia Smoot, Secretary

Date

Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham
Called Board Meeting Minutes
The Center for Regional Planning and Design
14th day of December, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Honorable Valerie Abbott
Honorable Stan Batemon
Honorable Mary Buckelew
Honorable Lindsey Allison
Honorable Billy Joe Driver (Present by Alternate Obie Littleton)
Honorable Bruce Hamrick
Honorable Reginald Holloway
Mr. John Hudson
Honorable Bernard Kincaid (Present by Alternate Kevin Owens)
Honorable Royce King
Mr. Ed Lowe
Honorable Roger McCondichie
Mr. Todd McDonald
Mr. Waymon Pitts
Honorable Sonny Posey (Present by Alternate Duane Wallace)
Honorable Glenda Strength (Present by Alternate Joy Littleton)
Honorable Gary White
Honorable James Whitfield (Present by Alternate Brad Watson)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Mr. Anthony Cicio
Mr. Richard Dickerson
Honorable Michael Johnson
Honorable Larry Langford
Ms. Merika Coleman
Honorable Shelia Smoot
Honorable Adam Stocks
Ms. Virginia Williams

OTHERS PRESENT

Honorable Robbie Hayes
Mr. Larry Watts
Mr. Bill Foisy
Mr. Ray Morris
Mr. Voris Williams
Ms. Emi Burton
Ms. Cissy Edwards

CALLED TO ORDER / OPENING REMARKS

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Commissioner Bruce Hamrick. Commissioner Hamrick welcomed everyone, proceeded with roll call and the next order or business.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Batemon and seconded by Commissioner White to accept the Appalachian Regional Commission Operating Grant Resolution as presented (included in minute book). Discussion followed with an explanation of the in-kind match that will be used along with a cash match. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Mr. McDonald and seconded by Commissioner Batemon to accept the Alabama Department of Transportation resolution for a pilot program for Rural GIS Street Layer subject to an in-kind match (no cash) limited to \$50,000 against the ALDOT funding of \$200,000. Discussion followed concerning the availability to the end users and the fact that these funds are limited when compared to usual GIS related expenses and a request that a project budget be distributed. MOTION PASSED.

Board members concurred that all proposed resolutions, contracts and agreements coming before the Board be accompanied by a budget.

A motion was made by Judge King and seconded by Commissioner Batemon to accept the City of Leeds, Alabama contract resolution in the amount of \$100,000 with subcontracts in the amount of \$70,000. Discussion followed on the subcontract selection, indirect expense recovery and profit being built into the budget. There was discussion about whether the \$30,000 is enough to cover RPC expenses on this project. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Buckelew and seconded by Mr. Holloway to authorize the Executive Director to execute the following agreements: (1) agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation in the amount of \$1,400,000 federal for 2006 air quality program with no RPC local match required; (2) agreement with the Alabama Department of Transportation in the amount of \$800,000 federals for 2006 Rideshare program with no RPC local match required. Discussion followed with assurance that these dollar allocations were approved by the Metropolitan Planning Organization in the Transportation Improvement Program for FY 2006. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Batemon and seconded by Mr. Holloway to approve the adoption of a RPC Standard Contract and Transmittal Letter as presented that was prepared by the law firm Dominick, Fletcher, Yeilding, Wood & Lloyd, P.A. Discussion followed and a point was made that the terms of payment will allow for a better cash flow for projects. MOTION PASSED.

In closing remarks, Mr. Watts stated that RPC Bylaw amendments will be presented at the January 11, 2006 meeting. Bylaw amendments will address requirements of the Economic Development Administration for private sector representation.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Commissioner Shelia Smoot, Secretary

Date