

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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VARIOUS Districts

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The ARRA created an economic stimulus package that provides \$64.1 billion nationwide for infrastructure projects, including \$1.5 billion for surface transportation grants to be administered by the Secretary of Transportation. Texas' share of the funding for transit is approximately \$372 million.

The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) has been designated by the governor as the administering agency for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) program under 49 USC §5311, and has the authority to award approximately \$50 million of ARRA nonurbanized (rural) transit funds.

In Minute Order 111716, dated February 26, 2009, the commission approved the funding of approximately \$33 million in public transit projects. In Minute Orders 111778, dated April 30, 2009, and 111920 dated August 27, 2009, the commission approved the funding of additional public transit projects. In Minute Orders 112115, 112341, 112392 and 112512, dated January 28, 2010, July 29, 2010, August 26, 2010, and December 16, 2010, respectively, the commission approved a list of public transit projects with revised funding.

The department has continued to monitor the progress of these projects to ensure that they comply with the criteria identified in the minute orders, the ARRA, and the project selection requirements established by FTA. As a result of these efforts, a proposed list of transit projects has been developed with revised funding, which is set forth in Exhibit A. Three projects reflect category award changes. There is no net change in the total transit funding program. No other previously approved public transit projects are affected. All projects are subject to federal and state laws, including the provisions of the ARRA. No matching funds are required.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the projects set forth in Exhibit A are hereby approved for funding under the provision of the ARRA.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executive director or the director's designee is authorized to proceed with the sub-grant award for the transit agreements for the activities described in Exhibit A, and to enter into any other necessary agreements associated with those projects and activities.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the department shall track the progress of the projects set forth in Exhibit A separately from other ongoing projects and place information regarding the status of these projects on the department's website.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Director, Public Transportation Division

Recommended by:

Executive Director

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Minute Number

Date Passed

**Exhibit A**  
**AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT**  
**PUBLIC TRANSIT PROJECTS**  
**FEDERAL §5311 FUNDS**  
**NONURBANIZED AREA FORMULA PROGRAM**

Rural Transit Operator	Previous Awards					Revised Awards				Change
	Previous Minute Order	Fleet Award	Facility Award	IT Equipment Award	Other Capital Award	Fleet Award	Facility Award	IT Equipment Award	Other Capital Award	
Alamo Area Council of Governments	111716	\$1,120,000	\$0	\$288,000	\$0	<b>\$1,082,497</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$325,503</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	111920	43,000	0	0	154,658	<b>43,000</b>	<b>154,658</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	0
Gulf Coast Center	112341	553,500	0	74,500	0	<b>545,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72,167</b>	<b>0</b>	(10,833)
Gulf Coast Center	112341	205,424	0	0	64,576	<b>203,884</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	(66,116)
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	112512	242,634	0	0	0	<b>242,634</b>	<b>10,833</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	10,833
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	111920	0	0	0	83,000	<b>0</b>	<b>66,116</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>83,000</b>	66,116
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,164,558</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$362,500</b>	<b>\$302,234</b>	<b>\$2,117,015</b>	<b>\$231,607</b>	<b>\$397,670</b>	<b>\$83,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>