

These are the minutes of the workshop of the Texas Transportation Commission, which was held on August 26, 2009, in Austin, Texas. The meeting opened at 1:35 p.m. with the following members present:

**Commission Members:**

Deirdre Delisi	Chair
Ted Houghton	Commissioner
Ned Holmes	Commissioner
Fred Underwood	Commissioner
Bill Meadows	Commissioner

**Administrative Staff:**

Amadeo Saenz, Jr., Executive Director  
Bob Jackson, General Counsel  
Roger Polson, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Executive Director

A public notice of this workshop containing all items on the proposed agenda was filed in the office of the Secretary of State at 1:41 p.m. on August 18, 2009, as required by Chapter 551, of the Government Code, referred to as “The Open Meetings Act.”

The workshop was called to order by Chair Delisi.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**ITEM 1. Discussion on the status of the independent management and organizational review of the department.**

This item was presented by Assistant Executive Director for Support Operations Edward Serna. The commission received comments from Grant Thornton Managing Partner Susan Pentecost.

**ITEM 2. Discussion of the mission, vision, values, goals, and focus areas for the 2011-2015 TxDOT Strategic Plan.**

This item was presented by Strategic Policy and Performance Management Office Director Mary Meyland. The commission received comments from University of Houston Assistant Associate Professor of Strategic Foresight and Coordinator, Future Studies, Dr. Peter Bishop; and Cambridge Systematics President Dr. Lance A. Neumann.

**ITEM 3. Discussion of the development of the Texas Transportation Plan.**

This item was presented by Assistant Executive Director for Innovative Project Development Phillip Russell. The commission received comments from Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations John Barton, Assistant Executive Director for District Operations David Casteel and Deputy Executive Director Steve Simmons.

**ITEM 4. Federal legislative update.**

This item was presented by Government and Public Affairs Division Director Coby Chase.

**ITEM 5. Status of participation in the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project and transparency of financial reports.**

This item was presented by Chief Financial Officer James Bass.

**ITEM 6. Discussion of options for the establishment of eligibility, prioritization, and selection criteria for highway improvement projects to be funded using the proceeds from bonds, notes, and other public securities issued under Transportation Code, Section 222.004 (Proposition 12 Bonds).**

This item was presented by Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations John Barton. The commission received comments from Chief Financial Officer James Bass.

**ITEM 7. Discussion of plan for development of rules to establish a comprehensive transportation planning, project selection, and funding program that will implement the major concepts contained in Article 2 of HB 300, 81<sup>st</sup> Legislature, Regular Session.**

This item was presented by Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations John Barton.

**ITEM 8. Status report and update of the overall Comprehensive Development Agreement (CDA) Program and specific CDA projects.**

This item was presented by Assistant Executive Director for Innovative Project Development Director Phillip Russell. The commission received comments from General Counsel Bob Jackson.

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The meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

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Deirdre Delisi, Chair  
Texas Transportation Commission

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I hereby certify that the above and foregoing pages constitute the full, true and correct record of all proceedings and official records of the Texas Transportation Commission at its workshop on August 26, 2009 in Austin, Texas.

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Dee Hernandez, Chief Minute Clerk  
Texas Department of Transportation