

**APRIL 27, 2011 CTRMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Summary Sheet**

AGENDA ITEM # 19

Executive Director's Update – Presentation of the Executive Director's Report

Department: Administrative

Associated Costs: None

Board Action Required: No

Description of Matter:

The Executive Director's Report is attached for review and reference.

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REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APRIL 27, 2011

MIKE HEILIGENSTEIN - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PRIORITY ISSUES



MoPac Improvement Project
environmental process



Regional Mobility Authority
Legislation

ADMINISTRATION

UPDATE ON THE 82ND LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The 82nd Session of the Texas Legislature has really heated up the last 3 weeks, and both chambers have discussed many bills that impact the entire state. While our legislative program and its related bills continue to move through the various committees and chambers, the process is extremely dynamic and changes from day to day. An up-to-date briefing will be provided at this month's Board meeting.

OPERATIONS

MUNICIPAL SERVICES BUREAU (MSB) OFFERS ENHANCED CASH CUSTOMER SERVICES

Beginning in June, customers who wish to pay their toll bills with cash will be able to visit one of 18 area ACE Cash Express locations in the Austin Area to make a payment. ACE Cash Express Inc. is a leading retailer of financial services, including payday loans, consumer loans, check cashing, bill payment and prepaid debit card services.

ACE Cash Express charges a small convenience fee for cash payments. In an effort to better serve customers, the fee will

be waived at the ACE location on Cameron Road in Austin.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

MANOR EXPRESSWAY PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION

Webber has focused a majority of its efforts over the past month on setting beams and placing precast concrete panels necessary for bridge deck construction. Substructure work and roadway construction continues as traffic staging allows.

MANOR EXPRESSWAY PHASE 2 DESIGN/BUILD COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

The Mobility Authority is working to finalize the Comprehensive Development Agreement (CDA) with Central Texas Mobility Constructors (CTMC). The agreement has been submitted to the Attorney General of Texas for final approval, and a formal Concurrence of Award request to FHWA has been submitted to TxDOT. In the mean time, initial oversight meetings between the Mobility Authority and CTMC have begun.

RIGHT-OF-WAY

Right-of-way acquisition and negotiations with affected property owners continues for the Manor Expressway between US 183 and Parmer Lane. All parcels have been acquired

for Phase 1 of the Manor Expressway from US 183 to Chimney Hill Drive. Appraisals for all of the parcels for Phase 2 of the Manor Expressway from Chimney Hill Drive to Parmer Lane have been completed, and most offer letters have been mailed.

MO-PAC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The MoPac Improvement Project environmental study remains on schedule. Comments have been received on the environmental document, which will be revised before submitting to FHWA. Traffic studies and coordination with TxDOT and the City of Austin on the effects the MoPac Improvement Project could have on downtown continue, and an Open House meeting to discuss the aesthetic design concepts for the project is planned for May 26th.

183A EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION

Webber continues to make progress on the 183A Extension and has focused on placing bridge deck panels and concrete at the New Hope Drive overpasses. Work continues on

bridge structure construction, material excavation, drainage facility construction and retaining walls. Webber will be temporarily closing the Scottsdale Drive crossover to the Blockhouse Creek neighborhood on May 2nd in order to construct an overpass. Work to complete the Scottsdale Bridge is expected to take about four months, and we have notified the neighborhoods.

SHARED USE PATH

Construction of the 183A shared use path from South Brushy Creek to FM 1431 is 72% complete, and the path is on schedule to open this summer. An opening event is being planned, and details will follow soon.

LANDSCAPING ALONG 183A

The installed landscaping has taken quite a beating this spring with all the dry conditions. A new contractor will be on board soon, and some plant materials will be replaced or refreshed.

SCHEDULE OF OUTREACH ACTIVITIES FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

EXTERNAL RELATIONSHIP MEETINGS

- House and Senate Committee Hearings
- Texas Transportation Forum
- TeamTx
- IBTTA Board of Directors' Meeting and Legislative Conference
- Union Pacific Railroad
- Bond Buyer Conference
- Standard and Poor's
- Moody's
- U.S. 281 Groundbreaking

- U.S. 290 and U.S. 71 Intersection Improvements Press Conference
- Representative Eddie Rodriguez, Texas House of Representatives
- Commissioner Ron Davis, Travis County

PRESENTATIONS

- Real Estate Council of Austin
- Travis County Commissioners' Court
- Williamson County Commissioners' Court