

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
May 27, 2009**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Jay Millikin, Chairman
Judge Diana Bautista
Judge Richard Evans
Mayor Dan Heckler
Councilwoman Delicia Herrera
Michael Korus
Mayor A. David Marne
Judge Marvin Quinney
Katie N. Reed
Linda Rivas
Mayor Tom Schoolcraft
Judge Mark Stroeher
Mayor Don Tymrak
Tom Weaver
Judge Mike Wiggins
Commissioner Bill Williams
Mayor John Williams

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Robby Beach for Rep. Doug Miller
Victor Cavazos for Commissioner Paul Elizondo
Susan Farris for Commissioner Kevin Wolff
Maria Lopez for Councilman Lourdes Galvan
Billy Peche for Representative Robert Puente
Bobby Perez for Senator Leticia Van de Putte
Ann Reissig for Judge Gaylan Schroeder

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Tommy Adkisson
Judge James Barden, Vice-Chairman
Judge Carlos Garcia
Judge Alger Kendall
Mayor Steve Lopez
Councilman Louis Rowe

GUESTS PRESENT

Sam Katz
Shannon Nesbit

STAFF PRESENT

Gloria Arriaga
Dean Danos
Mario Gutierrez
Anthony Jalomo
Susan Lodge
Melissa Pulido
Joe Ramos
Blanca Tapia
Daniel Watford

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Commissioner Jay Millikin.
2. Roll Call was taken and a quorum established.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance were recited.
4. There were no Citizens to be Heard.
5. Mrs. Arriaga gave her Executive Director's Report on the following items.
 - A. Introduction of new Bexar Mental Retardation Authority Director Anthony Jalomo.
 - B. Anniversaries.
 - 1) Julie Sakelakos – 5 Years (May 24)

C. Upcoming Events:

- 1) State Notary Training Seminar – Thursday, May 28, 2009.
- 2) National Association of Regional Councils Conference – May 31-June 3, 2009.
- 3) Aging in Place Initiative – Thursday, June 11, 2009.
- 4) AACOG Economic Development Professionals Meeting – Friday, June 19, 2009.
- 5) Newly Elected Officials Workshop – Tuesday, June 30, 2009.

D. Hondo 2009 Airport of the Year Award.

6. Consent Agenda.

Items on the consent agenda are considered being of a routine nature and may require only limited discussion. The items listed on consent agenda (other than A, J, K, L, M) have been reviewed by the Management/Audit Committee and they recommend approval. Any member of the Board may request that items be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately for purpose of discussion and voting.

- A. Consider and act upon approval of the April 29, 2009 Minutes.
- B. Consider and act upon approving the recommended changes to the following policies:
 - 1) Personnel
 - 2) Procurement
- C. Consider and act upon approving the following personnel recommendations:
 - 1) Bexar Aging Department
 - a. Grant Specialist
 - 2) Bexar Mental Retardation Authority
 - a. Mental Retardation Services Coordinator
 - 3) Criminal Justice Department
 - a. Temporary Administrative Assistant
 - 4) Housing Department
 - 1) Housing Intake Assistant
 - 5) Natural Resources
 - a. Clean Cities Specialist
 - b. Natural Resources Outreach Specialist

- D. Consider and act upon approving the following April 30, 2009 status reports from accounting:
- 1) Grants.
 - 2) Recoveries.
 - 3) Balance Sheet.
 - 4) Income Statement.
 - 5) Board Expenditures.
- E. Consider and act upon approving the Third AACOG 2009 Budget Amendment.
- F. Status report on the Al J. Notzon III Scholarship fund.
- G. Consider and act upon approving the new and revised vendor's agreements as recommended by the Alamo Senior Advisory Committee.
- H. Consider and act upon the following from the 9-1-1 Program:
- 1) Ratify the submission of the AACOG 9-1-1 FY 2010-2011 Strategic Plan; Stage 2, Sections A & C – Detailed Planning and Equipment Budget.
 - 2) Authorize the Executive Director to submit three budget amendment requests to the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC).
 - a. Transfer remaining Administrative FY 2007 funds in the amount of \$61,824.82 to FY 2007 Operations funds.
 - b. Request a budget increase in the amount of \$57,560.22 to FY 2007 Operational funds.
 - c. Request an increase to the FY 2009 Budget in the amount of \$289,000.00 to accelerate equipment purchases for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) in Bandera, Atascosa, and Gillespie Counties.
 - 3) Authorize the Executive Director to request approval from CSEC to increase the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) from two (2) to three (3) positions in Atascosa and Gillespie Counties
 - 4) Authorize the Executive Director to submit Strategic Plan; Stage 2, Section B – Network Operations Budgets for FY 2010-2011 in the amount of \$2,145,587.00.
 - 5) Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a 9-1-1 Automatic Location Identification (ALI) Maintenance and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Interlocal Agreements for FY 2010-2011 with Atascosa, Bandera, Frio Gillespie, Karnes, Kendall, and Wilson Counties.
- I. Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to submit a grant application for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Blue Skyways Collaborative in an amount not to exceed \$569,440.00 with requirement of a 20% match.
- J. Consider and act upon entering into an Interlocal Agreement with the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) using the services of Peer

Group Consulting, Inc. to promote the "Big Push" campaign in the amount of \$5,000.00.

- K. Consider and act upon approving the following personnel recommendation:
 - 1) Bexar Mental Retardation Authority
 - a. Mental Retardation Services Manager – General Revenue (GR)
 - b. Database and Utilization Manager
- L. Consider and act upon approval of the AACOG Audit for the year ending December 31, 2008.
- M. Consider and act upon amendments to the FY 2008-2011 Transportation Improvement Program Texas Review and Comment System (TRACS) as recommended by the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Mayor Schoolcraft requested pulling item 6.B.1. for discussion. He suggested changing the language related to resignation and separation policy. After discussion, the Board concurred that the language should remain as "AACOG requests that an employee..." instead of "AACOG requires that an employee who intends to resign.." A Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Mayor Tymrak, to approve items 6.A. through M on the consent agenda with the recommended changes on item 6.B.1, 3.054 Separation of the AACOG Personnel Policies. The Motion carried unanimously.

- 7. Consider and act upon the following Committee Reports:
 - A. Area Judges.
 - 1) Consider and act upon approving the Workforce Solutions Alamo (WSA) Strategic Plan Modification and Operations Budget for Fiscal Years 2009-2010.
 - 2) Status report on Rural Planning Organization Legislation.

Commissioner Williams reported on the Area Judges meeting. No action required.

- B. 9-1-1 Area Judges (also considered by the Management/Audit Committee)
 - 1) Ratify the submission of the AACOG 9-1-1 FY 2010-2011 Strategic Plan; Stage 2, Sections A & C – Detailed Planning and Equipment Budget.
 - 2) Authorize the Executive Director to submit three (3) budget amendment requests to the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC).
 - a. Transfer remaining Administrative FY2007 funds in the amount of \$61,824.82 to FY2007 Operations fund.
 - b. Request a budget increase in the amount of \$57,560.22 to FY2007 Operations funds.
 - c. Request an increase to the FY2009 Budget in the amount of \$289,000.00 to accelerate equipment purchase for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) in Bandera, Atascosa, and Gillespie Counties.

- 3) Authorize the Executive Director to request approval from CSEC to increase the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) from two (2) to three (3) positions in Atascosa and Gillespie Counties.
- 4) Authorize the Executive Director to submit Strategic Plan; Stage 2, Section B – Network Operations Budgets for FY 2010-2011 in the amount of \$2,145,587.00.
- 5) Authorize the Executive Director to enter into 9-1-1 Automatic Location Identification (ALI) Maintenance and PSAP Interlocal Agreements for FY2010-2011 with Atascosa, Bandera, Frio, Gillespie, Karnes, Kendall, and Wilson Counties.

Judge Bautista reported on the 9-1-1 Area Judges meeting. No action required.

C. Alamo Area Development Corporation.

- 1) Consider and act upon approving the AADC Audit for the year ending December 31, 2008.
- 2) Consider and act upon approving the first budget amendment.
- 3) Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to accept American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds for the WIA Adult, WIA Dislocated Workers, and Youth Programs in the amounts of \$449,740.00, \$454,766.00, and \$284,180.00 respectively.
- 4) Consider and act upon authorizing the Executive Director to respond to the Request for Proposal for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Grant from the U.S. Treasury Department in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Mayor Tymrak reported on the Alamo Area Development Corporation meeting. No action required.

D. Community Affairs Committee.

- 1) Consider and act upon nominations for 2009 AACOG Regional Awards for following categories:
 - a. Regional Citizen of the Year – Tracy Talley, RN
 - b. Corporate Citizen of the Year – Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas.
 - c. Community Project of the Year – Ft. Sam Houston “Christmas Along the Corridor.”
 - d. Governmental Regional Project of the Year – Alamo Colleges Regional Technical Training Centers.
- 2) Special Recognitions
 - a. Outgoing Advisory Committee Chairs
 - b. Outgoing Board Chair and Members

Mayor Tymrak stated the Committee recommends approving the above nominations for the 2009 Regional Awards. The Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussion and appropriate action regarding the recommendation of integrating the San Antonio Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization with the Alamo Area Council of Governments.

Mrs. Arriaga discussed the integration of the San Antonio Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization with the Alamo Area Council of Governments. She indicated that the Area Judges approved the section of the recommendations as it pertains to AACOG on Integrating the Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Alamo Area Council of Governments, especially with regard to planning processes, retaining separate boards and emphasizing the preparation of an unconstrained plan that reflects the community's highest aspirations. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Commissioner Williams to approve the recommendation of integrating the San Antonio Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization with the Alamo Area Council of Governments. Katie Reed abstained. The Motion carried.

9. Consider and act upon the following Texas Review and Comments System (TRACS) recommendations from the Economic Development Environmental Review Committee:

- A. Jarret Fire and Rescue. "Construction of New Fire Department Building." Funding: United States Department of Agriculture Community Facilities Grant Program: \$1,445,901.00.

Joe Ramos stated the Committee recommends favorable review of item A. After consideration, a Motion was made by Mayor Tymrak, seconded by Judge Wiggins, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

10. Consider and act upon the following Texas Review and Comments System (TRACS) recommendations from the Regional Health and Human Services Advisory Committee:

- A. Corazon Ministries, "Corazon y Anima (Heart and Soul)." Funding: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): \$350,000.00.
2. Family Service Association of San Antonio, Inc, "Una Vida Mejor (A Better Life)." Funding: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): \$400,000.00.
3. Roy Maas' Youth Alternatives, Inc, "Basic Center for Runaway and Homeless Youth." Funding: Department of Health and Human Services, Family and Youth Service Bureau: \$200,000.00.
4. Avance - San Antonio, "Head Start / Early Head Start." Funding: Department of Health and Human Services, ACF: \$190,411.00.

Shannon Nesbit stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items B, C and D. Item A was re-scheduled for the June Advisory Committee meeting. After consideration, a Motion was made by Katie Reed, seconded by Tom Weaver, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously.

11. Consider and act upon the following Texas Review and Comments System (TRACS) recommendations from the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee:

- A. Bexar County Commissioners Court – "Bexar County Re-Entry Court and One-Stop Shop". Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$732,629.00.
- B. Bexar County Juvenile Board – "Bexar County Project Sentry". Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$255,176.00.

- C. Bexar County, Texas – “Gang Related Intervention and Prosecution (GRIP) Project”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$292,072.00.
- D. Bexar County, Texas – “Community Advocate Program”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$247,099.00.
- E. Bexar County, Texas – “Bexar County Firearms Backlog Reduction Program”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$220,985.00.
- F. Boerne, City of – “Narcotics Investigator”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$174,738.00.
- G. Comal County, Texas – “Comal County Challenge Court (Felony Drug Court)”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$66,225.00.
- H. San Antonio, City of – “Tactical Intelligence Center”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$999,630.00.
- I. Seguin, City of – “Seguin Narcotics Personnel and Equipment”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$306,992.00.
- J. Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Inc. – “Stop Employment Discrimination (SED) Project”. Funding: Bureau of Justice Assistance: \$99,243.00.
- K. Bexar County, Texas – “COPS Hiring Recovery Program”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$6,363,835.00.
- L. Bulverde Police Department – “COPS Hiring Recovery Program”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$156,147.00.
- M. Leon Valley Police Department – “COPS Hiring Grant”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$522,447.00.
- N. Live Oak Police Department – “Crime Prevention”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$689,132.00.
- O. Northside Independent School District – “NISD CHRP Police Force Enhancement”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$996,464.00.
- P. Seguin Police Department – “Seguin Police Department Hiring Project”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$518,724.00.
- Q. Southside Independent School District Police Department – “COPS Hiring Recovering Program”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$335,877.00.
- R. University of the Incarnate Word – “Project Police Excellence through Advancement of Community Efforts”. Funding: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS): \$1,311,830.00.
- S. Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas, Inc. – “Mentoring Matters Project”. Funding: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: \$500,000.00.
- T. San Antonio, City of – “Recovery Act Transitional Housing for Victims of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking or Sexual Assault Program”. Funding: Office on Violence Against Women: \$501,037.00.
- U. Bexar County Commissioners Court – “Bexar County Adult Drug Court”. Funding: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration: \$300,000.00.

Sam Katz stated the Committee recommends favorable review on items A through D, G through N and P through U. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Ms. Rivas, favorable review. The Motion carried unanimously. Sam Katz stated the Committee recommends favorable review on item E. A Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Judge Evans, favorable review. Ann Reissig abstained. The Motion carried. Mr. Katz stated the Committee recommends favorable review on item F. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Ms. Reed, favorable review. Mayor Heckler abstained. The Motion carried. Mr. Katz stated the Committee recommends favorable review on item O. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Bautista, seconded by Mayor Schoolcraft, favorable review. Ms. Reed abstained. The Motion carried.

12. Consider and act upon the following appointments to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee:
 - A. Chief Deputy Steve Barrera representing Bexar County.
 - B. Mr. Chuck Garris representing Atascosa County.
 - C. The Honorable Diana Bautista, alternate to Mr. Chuck Garris, representing Atascosa County.
 - D. The Honorable Larry James representing Kendall County.
 - E. Chief Deputy Matthew King, alternate to The Honorable Larry James, representing Kendall County.
 - F. Deputy Joe Aynesworth to replace alternate Sgt. Donny Whitaker, representing Medina County.
 - G. Ms. Arlene Rhodes representing Bexar County.
 - H. Ms. Alicia Trujillo, alternate to Ms. Arlene Rhodes, representing Bexar County.

Sam Katz stated the Committee recommends approving the above Criminal Justice Advisory Committee appointments. After consideration, a Motion was made by Judge Evans, seconded by Judge Bautista to approve the above Committee appointments. The Motion carried unanimously.

13. Consider and act upon election of Irma Canfield as Chair of the Planning Network Advisory Committee (PNAC).

Susan Lodge stated the Committee recommends approving the election of Irma Canfield as Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee (PNAC). After consideration, a Motion was made by Ms. Rivas, seconded by Commissioner Williams, approving the election of Irma Canfield as Chair of the PNAC. The Motion carried unanimously.

14. Consider and act upon appointing a member to the Management/Audit Committee.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

15. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Millikin stated the next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 24, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

16. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.