

AGENDA



Thursday, January 13, 2011

**Transportation
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 32**

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the submittal of a list of potential transportation projects to Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) as candidates for federal grant application under the Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility (STP MM) program administered through CAMPO and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available through the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) for federal grants under the Surface Transportation Program Metropolitan Mobility program. There is a required minimum match of 20 percent for federal grant funding.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Rob Spillar, 974-2488, Gordon Derr, 974-7228, Gilda Powers, 974-7092

Submitting project candidates to CAMPO is the first step in a dual track process of STP MM project selection. TxDOT has requested that CAMPO canvass cities, counties, and transportation providers in the five-county CAMPO region to see if there are projects that are eligible and “ready to go” by 2012 through 2013. Submitting eligible projects will help TxDOT identify the magnitude of projects that can be implemented in the near term. TxDOT has asked that the information be provided to CAMPO staff by January 21, 2011. This is not an official “Call for Projects” but rather an initial review of potential projects throughout our region that are ready to implement and may qualify for STP MM funds. Eligible projects are identified in Title 23, Chapter 1, Section 133 of the United States Code.

The CAMPO Transportation Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee are currently developing the overall application and will approve selection criteria and announce the official Call for Projects in May 2011. Applications will be due in June 2011 and reviewed through July 2011. A Public Hearing will occur in September 2011 to allow citizens in the CAMPO region to comment on submitted project. The CAMPO Transportation Policy Board will make the final approval of projects in October 2011.

Staff will provide additional back-up material in advance including a proposed list of transportation projects that might qualify for STP MM funds in the 2012 – 2016 timeframe.