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1. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Santa Fe MPO Policy Board was called to order by Chair, Commissioner Anna Hansen, at 6:00pm, on Thursday, April 29, 2021, via virtual attendance.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Anna Hansen, Chair
Councilor Renee Villarreal, Vice Chair
Commissioner Hank Hughes
Councilor Jamie Cassutt-Sanchez
Paul Brasher

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Mayor Alan Webber
Commissioner Rudy Garcia

OTHERS PRESENT

Erick Aune, MPO Officer
Brett Clavio, Santa Fe County
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Villarreal, seconded by Mr. Brasher, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Chair Hansen, yes; Councilor Villarreal, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes;
Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, yes; Mr. Brasher, yes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Villarreal stated that there was an error in the date mentioned on the

last page of the minutes.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Chair Hansen, yes; Councilor Villarreal, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, yes; Mr. Brasher, yes.

5. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. NOMINATION AND APPROVAL: POLICY BOARD CHAIR

MOTION A motion was made by Chair Hansen, seconded by Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, to nominate Councilor Villarreal as Chair of the MPO Policy Board.

Chair Hansen asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Chair Hansen, yes; Councilor Villarreal, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, yes; Mr. Brasher, yes.

B. NOMINATION AND APPROVAL: POLICY BOARD VICE CHAIR

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Villarreal, seconded by Chair Hansen, to nominate Commissioner Hughes as Vice Chair of the MPO Policy Board.

Chair Hansen asked if there were any other nominations.

There were none.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

Chair Hansen, yes; Councilor Villarreal, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Councilor Cassutt-Sanchez, yes; Mr. Brasher, yes.

C. PRESENTATION: CENSUS BUREAU - PROPOSED CRITERIA FOR DEFINING URBAN AREAS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF THE 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS

Mr. Aune stated that he had met with Census Bureau staff and others and it had been determined that the change in the designations will not impact the Santa Fe urban area designation. There will not be a need to provide any further formal comments on this issue. The detailed information on how the calculations are made and other specific information is included in the meeting packet.

Mr. Aune reviewed the highlights of the packet information.

Councilor Villarreal asked if funding distribution will be impacted.

Mr. Aune stated that no clarity was given regarding funding; however, it will not effect the formulaic method for funding.

Chair Hansen thanked Mr. Aune for taking the time to look into this issue more fully.

D. UPDATE ON AGENCY PROJECTS

Mr. Aune stated that there are a number of Federal and State initiatives in process right now. We are keeping a close eye on those. They brought back earmarks so we have let our partners know of that opportunity. We are working with the City and County to help them be successful in their applications for projects. The underpass on St. Michaels is moving forward. He did ask the County about the status of the connector projects and will let the Board know when he receives the information.

Chair Hansen asked for an update on the project discussed at previous meetings regarding adding conduit to the project.

Mr. Aune reported that he discussed this request with the Project Manager and Sean Moody and the design would have to be amended to accommodate conduit. There would be additional costs if that was to be done.

Chair Hansen commented that this shows a lack of responsibility on the part of the Feds to not step up to the plate. To not put conduit in any project is disgraceful.

Councilor Villarreal commented that she was hoping that with the addition of conduit in projects there would be fewer requests for antennas everywhere.

Mr. Aune said this project had been delayed previously. They buttoned up the design and do not want to lose the funds. We could invite Mr. Moody to attend our

meeting so that you can ask him questions.

Councilor Villarreal said the Feds need to start requiring conduit in all projects.

Mr. Clavio said that may be something the County can do. He will look into that process.

Mr. Aune said he will contact Sean Moody for more detailed information and will report that back to the Board. It is a complex issue.

7. MATTERS FROM STAFF

There were no additional matters from staff.

8. MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

None.

9. NEXT MEETING: MAY 27, 2021

Mr. Aune stated that they may be able to meet in person soon. He will check with Joe Abeyta about a hybrid model for the meeting.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Board the meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.



Commissioner Anna Hansen, Chair



Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer