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AGREEMENT

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TRAVIS

THIS AGREEMENT made this 16 day of July 1979,
A.D., 1979, by and between the Texas Office of the Governor, acting by
and through the Director of the Budget and Planning Office, Party of the
First Part, and the Steering Committee, Laredo Urban Transportation Study
Party of the Second Part:

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 in Section 112 allocates,
for the first time, planning funds to Metropolitan Planning Organizations
to support the urban transportation planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (in accordance with
Section 112 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973) and the Urban Mass
Transportation Administration (in accordance with Section 9 of the Urban
Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended) intend to fund the same
designated metropolitan planning organization in each metropolitan area;
and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration intends to consider
this agency for the receipt of airport system planning funds under
Section 13 of the Airport and Airway Development Act of 1970 as amended;
and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the parties that urban transportation
planning be integrated to the maximum extent possible with other areawide
planning in the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of urban transportation
planning requires the assistance and concurrence of all local governments
in the metropolitan area.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby agreed that the use of funds made available under Section 112 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 shall be governed by the organization and responsibilities as set out in the following paragraphs:

I. Organization

The Steering Committee, Laredo Urban Transportation Study shall be the Metropolitan Planning Organization for transportation planning in the Laredo urbanized area.

The Metropolitan Planning Organization shall:

- A. Develop or assist in the development of a multi-modal transportation planning process. Prepare a Unified Work Program which would specify the use of Section 112 funds or in those regions where a Unified Work Program is not required, prepare a plan for the use of these monies, and submit the Unified Work Program or plan for approval to the Committee established pursuant to Section 134 of Chapter 1 of Title 23 United States Code.
- B. Insure that transportation planning in the urbanized area is successfully coordinated and integrated with other comprehensive planning in the State Planning Region.
- C. Use the Committee structure established pursuant to Section 134 of Chapter 1 of Title 23 U.S.C. as the group responsible for giving the Metropolitan Planning Organization overall transportation policy guidance.

II. Section 112 of the 1973 Federal-Aid Highway Act authorizes additional funds for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Section 134 of Chapter 1, of Title 23 U.S.C. Therefore, first consideration for the distribution of Section 112 funds will be given to planning efforts being conducted by cities, counties and regional councils of governments who are assigned responsibility for basic elements of the Urban Transportation Study Agreements established by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation pursuant to Section 134 of Chapter 1 of Title 23 U.S.C.

III. This agreement shall in no way establish any activity or process that would infringe upon or interfere with the statutory obligation of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

IV. The Metropolitan Planning Organization will contract with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation for Section 112 Planning Funds. The expense involved in urban transportation planning will be assumed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization or agencies with which the Metropolitan Planning Organization has sub-contracted to accomplish work identified in the approved Unified Work Program or plan for the use of Section 112 funds. Vouchers for completed work under the annual Unified Work Program or plan utilizing Section 112 funds will be audited and approved by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation according to federal and State requirements. Reimbursement will be made on a periodic basis.

V. This agreement may be renegotiated as necessary to meet changing conditions or terminated by either party.

VI. This agreement will terminate on August 31, 1981. Renegotiation for renewal of the designation may begin after May 31, 1981. Then by mutual agreement this agreement may be renewed for a two-year period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have hereunto affixed their signatures on the dates indicated.

Party of the First Part
TEXAS GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

By:

Paul W. H. [Signature]
Director, Budget & Planning Office

Party of the Second Part
STEERING COMMITTEE
LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUD

By:

[Signature]
CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

Date: _____

RECOMMENDED FOR EXECUTION:

Title

Attachments:

1. A document indicating continued support of the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, if required.
2. A resolution from the Metropolitan Planning Organization accepting the designation renewal.