



**ZOO INTERCHANGE STUDY
I-94 NORTH-SOUTH MITCHELL INTERCHANGE PROJECT
SE FREEWAYS MILWAUKEE COUNTY URBAN DBE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
TOMMY G. THOMPSON YOUTH CENTER-640 S. 84TH STREET, MILWAUKEE, WI
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2008 5:30P – 7:00P**

ATTENDEES:

Roberto “Bob” Gutierrez-I-94 NS Corridor Project Director, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT); Donna Brown-Zoo Interchange Study Director-WisDOT; Rosalind Roberson-WisDOT; Andrey Moore-WisDOT; Michele Carter- Civil Right & Compliance Section Manager -WisDOT; Patricia Reikowski-WisDOT; Crystal DuPont-WisDOT; Marlina Williams-WisDOT; Kimberly Stephenson-WisDOT; Roman Martinez-WisDOT; Jaya Sharma-4N Consultants Inc.; Donna Eurick-U.S. DOL; David Poppert-U.S. DOL; Hector Lerma-UMOS; Willie D. Ellis-Local 139 Operating Engineers; Tim Goetz-Local 139 Operating Engineers; Steve Buffalo-Local 139 Operating Engineers; Bruce Spann-Spann & Associates; Nyasha Turner- Emerging Business Enterprise Program; Jessica Gluckman- Mortenson Construction Co; Minister Greg Lewis- St. Gabriel's C.O.G.I.C; Earl Hill-Hill Monuments; Thomas Buveck- Buveck Consultants, LLC; Gopal K. Adhikary, P.E.- Himalayan Consultants, LLC; Tom Walker- Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association (WTBA); Frieda Webb- Community Business Development (CBDP) Administrators of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Milwaukee County; Samer Abulughod- Bid 40 ABGA; Ugo A. Nwagbaraocha-Diamond Disks International; Jimmie Mangum-APB Security

WELCOME-INTRODUCTIONS

Crystal DuPont-WisDOT: Crystal welcomed everyone to the meeting. She requested everyone introduce himself or herself. Handouts were provided to each committee member upon registration. Crystal also reviewed last months meeting accomplishments and detailed activities for the evening.

Crystal DuPont & Kimberly Stephenson-WisDOT: Crystal and Kimberly reviewed findings from the previous advisory meeting concerning the Transportation Mega Project Chart (TMP). They also discussed additional comments and input that the committee wanted included in the TMP Chart.

Tom Walker, WTBA stated that the department needs to clarify with the public on why decisions are made and how it affects the public. **Roberto “Bob” Gutierrez, I-94 NS Corridor Project Director** stated that the department addresses all concerns regarding decisions made through public outreach such as committees, meetings, and public hearings. **Donna Brown, Zoo Interchange Study Director** states that the purpose and needs have to be met concerning individual projects, however all other concerns will be recorded and placed under evaluation through other analysis.

Roberto “Bob” Gutierrez, I-94 NS Corridor Project Director explained the I-94 NS corridor 3D model to the committee. He stated that the 35-mile reconstruction along the corridor includes

tunnels, noise walls, landscaping, and lane expansion. Tom Walker inquired if WisDOT considered inflation rates through reconstruction. Bob Gutierrez affirmed that WisDOT included inflation for the I-94 NS corridor budget.

Michele Carter, Civil Right & Compliance Section Manager -WisDOT: Michele divided the committee into groups of 6, and concurrently with **Rosalind Roberson, Urban Outreach Strategist-WisDOT** summarized opportunities and barriers from the previous meeting. They also reviewed best practices and training strategy opportunities used by WisDOT. Michele stated that jobs are a major concern for other Advisory efforts and that her office strides to leverage these resources to consider these concerns. Michele requested committee members to answer the following questions as groups and record them:

1. Who are the key stakeholders in whom WisDOT should contact in the community?
2. As long as WisDOT does something about _____ I will consider this project positive and successful.
3. What must WisDOT do to ensure that the implementation of this project meets the needs of the community?

Next each group prioritized and recorded their answers and the group concerns on a flip chart. Michele indicated that her office would summarize the concerns and report out at the next Advisory Committee Meeting.

Kimberly Stephenson-WisDOT: Kimberly announced that the next meeting time and location will change. The next meeting from 4:30-6:00p.m. is scheduled for October 23, 2008 at the Milwaukee County Research Park. Directions will be included in the meeting reminder email.

NEXT MEETING

Monthly Meetings:

Thursday, October 23, 2008
4:30-6:00pm Room 114
Milwaukee County Research Park
10437 W. Innovation Drive, Suite 123
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53226