

**AGENDA ITEM 29**

Discuss and consider hiring Prime Strategies, Inc. to assist Williamson County and Travis County in creating the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority.

Moved: **Commissioner Boatright**

Seconded: **Commissioner Limmer**

Motion: To approve the agreement with Prime Strategies, Inc., and the fee schedule, with the exception of Brian Cassidy and for Mike Weaver to bring back estimated hours to the court with a "not to exceed" limit.

Vote: 4 - 0

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August 14, 2002

Judge John Doerfler  
Williamson County  
710 Main St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Judge Sam Biscoe  
Travis County  
314 W. 11<sup>th</sup> St., Room 520  
Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Professional Services for Regional Mobility Authority

This letter agreement provides for the continuation of professional services in support of Travis and Williamson Counties' efforts to establish and operate the proposed Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority. All work will be completed on a time and materials basis based on the attached Hourly Fee Schedule. This Fee Schedule is the same as contained in our master (December 2000) road bond contract with Williamson County. We also intend to supplement our staff with Brian Cassidy at Locke, Liddell & Sapp. Brian has been working with Prime Strategies on the RMA rules and the early drafts of the petition. All work under this agreement will be at the direction of the County Judges or their designee.

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**TASK I - RMA Petition**

- Prepare RMA petition per 43 Texas Administrative Code §26.01;
- Review draft petition with county RMA subcommittee;
- Assist Commissioners Courts in resolution to create the RMA;
- Process RMA petition with TxDOT and Texas Transportation Commission;
- Address TxDOT comments and modify petition as necessary;
- Assist in preparation for TxDOT Public Hearing on RMA petition;
- Assist in securing resolutions of support from local jurisdictions;
- Assist in securing resolution of support from CAMPO; and,
- Secure final approval to create RMA from Texas Transportation Commission.



**TASK II - RMA Formation / Operation**

- Assist in appointing RMA directors;
- Coordinate initial RMA Board of Directors meetings;
- Assist in preparation of RMA operating guidelines/bylaws;
- Provide staff assistance to RMA Board of Director; and,
- Provide staff assistance regarding technical corrections to RMA legislation.

Submitted by:


Accepted by:

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Michael Weaver  
Prime Strategies, Inc.

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Judge Sam Biscoe  
Travis County

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Judge John Doerfler  
Williamson County

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9-17-02  
Date

Attachment: PSI Hourly Fee Schedule

**PRIME STRATEGIES, INC.  
HOURLY BILLING RATE SCHEDULE**

Principal	\$150.00
Senior Engineer/Senior Planner	\$100.00
Project Manager/Planner	\$90.00
Technician/Graphics	\$60.00
Clerical	\$25.00

**Reimbursable Expenses**

Direct expenses shall be those costs incurred on behalf of the County for project efforts, including but not limited to, necessary transportation costs including mileage at Prime Strategies, Inc.'s current rate (\$0.36.5/mile) when automobiles are used, outside consultant services, meals and lodging, computer and printing service bureau charges, telephone, facsimile, delivery service, reproduction, and binding charges. Reimbursements for these expenses shall be on the basis of actual charges when furnished by commercial sources and on the basis of usual commercial charges when furnished by Prime Strategies, Inc.

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Discuss and take appropriate action on the road bond program.


Mike Weaver stated that a newsletter concerning projects under construction should be ready by mid-October. He also requested direction from the court concerning a wooden bridge on CR 434 at Brushy Creek. It will soon be replaced as part of the wooden bridge replacement program. After some discussion, Commissioner Limmer asked that the bridge be stored at the Road & Bridge Department until a decision is made concerning possible uses for it.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

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## M e m o r a n d u m

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**To:** Williamson County Commissioners Court  
**From:** Mike Weaver   
Prime Strategies, Inc.  
**Regarding:** CR 434 Bridge Replacement  
**Date:** September 11, 2002

As you are aware, we are proceeding with the wooden bridge replacement program. One of the priority projects is CR 434 at Brushy Creek. In addition to replacing the wooden bridge approaches, the existing trestle bridge (attached) will be replaced. This metal bridge, believed to have been built by Brown & Root in the 1920's was moved to its current location in the early 1950's.

This project is scheduled to start construction in May 2003, just after school closes. We will advertise the project in April 2003. A major component of the construction plans involve dismantling the bridge and preserving it for future use as a pedestrian bridge in one of the County parks or in the proposed trail system.

We are approaching the point where the Court needs to decide where to move the bridge. And, if we move it to a new location, do we store it or reconstruct it on the new location? Another option we have discussed involves disassembling the bridge and storing it at Road & Bridge until the County is ready to install it in a new location. Obviously, moving it once and having the same contractor who takes it apart rebuild it at its new location is the most cost effective for the County.

We are seeking your direction and input on how to proceed.