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2 **VI. Review Administrative Change Update to Show Methodology for “Year of Expenditure” and “Total**  
3 **Project Cost”**  
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5 Mr. Johnson reported that an important component of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation  
6 Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) requires that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) use  
7 revenue and cost estimates showing ‘year of expenditure (YOE)’ and total project cost.  
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9 When the 2030 MTP was updated to reflect these requirements in the Summer of 2007, the year of expenditure as  
10 well as revenue and project cost estimates were part of the approved document. In the Fall of 2007 the Texas  
11 Department of Transportation (TxDOT) asked that documentation for the methodology used (for YOE, Total Project  
12 Cost, Rate of Inflation, Rate of Growth) be provided.  
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14 Mr. Johnson presented an overview on how these components were arrived at and how they were incorporated into  
15 the MTP and the new SAFETEA-LU compliant TIP.  
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17 Mr. Johnson asked that the Board review documents pertaining to this item.  
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19 **VII. Current Staff Project Workload-**  
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21 Staff gave an overview of current staff project workload. No action was taken on this item.  
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23 Mr. Johnson also informed the Board that the Hwy 691 Corridor Study has been postponed due to TxDOT not being  
24 able to provide match. TxDOT has been asked if toll credits or in-kind can be used as match. No answer has been  
25 given on this question. Mr. Short asked Bob Wood to press this issue.  
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27 This was an information item only and no action has been taken.  
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29 **VIII. Public Comment Period-**  
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31 Ms Pelly brought the policy board an update of where TAPS is. She stated that she had met with Chairman Short  
32 on the matter. She thanked TxDOT and Mr. Littlefield for ‘bringing in the resources’ of the Texas Transportation  
33 Institute (from August ‘07 through January ‘08). TTI issued two major reports which ‘truly represented the financial  
34 situation’ that TAPS is in. She stated that through the last year there has been a significant turnover of the board.  
35 As of Friday of last week (2/1/08) they have contracted on an interim basis with First Transit, a company to provide  
36 some management and consulting, providing an opportunity to turn the organization ‘around’. They will have their  
37 general manager from that organization within a week. First Transit will be issuing a request for proposal to see  
38 what other providers of that kind of service are out there until they can get a handle of where their finances are. She  
39 thanked Dave Merrit (Public Transportation Coordinator for TxDOT - Paris) who spent an extraordinary amount  
40 of time working with TCOG, TTI and TAPS. Ms. Pelly stated that if any one would like a copy of the report she  
41 would provide those documents.  
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43 **IX. Adjournment -**  
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45 The TPB meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.