

Form **990-EZ**

**Short Form
Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No 1545-1150

2009

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)
 ▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.
 ▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning January 1, 2009, and ending December 31, 20 09

B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.	C Name of organization Envision Central Texas		D Employer identification number 74-3020304
		Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite		E Telephone number
		6800 Burleson Road, Building 310		512 916-6037
		City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4		F Group Exemption Number ▶
		Austin, TX 78744		

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting Method: Cash Accrual
Other (specify) ▶

I Website: ▶ <http://www.envisioncentraltexas.org>

H Check ▶ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) — 501(c) (**b**) ◀ (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

K Check ▶ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

L Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions for Part I.)

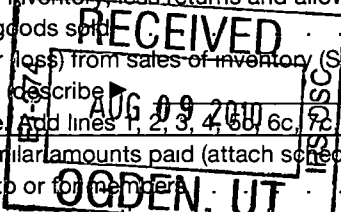
		1	2	3	4	5a	5b	5c	6a	6b	6c	7a	7b	7c	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21					
Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received														271237																	
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts														13866																	
	3	Membership dues and assessments														0																	
	4	Investment income														0																	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory																															
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses																															
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)															0																
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>																															
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)																															
	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses																															
c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)															0																	
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances																																
b	Less: cost of goods sold																																
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)															0																	
8	Other revenue (describe _____)															0																	
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5a, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8															285103																	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)														0																	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members														0																	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits														188698																	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors														7805																	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance														5025																	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping														9903																	
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ <u>Insurance, travel, computer svcs., mtgs., supplies, website, misc.</u>)														66671																	
17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16														278102																		
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)														7001																	
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)															18282																
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)														(15,000)																	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20														10283																	

Part II Balance Sheets. If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	15830	20141
23	Land and buildings	0	0
24	Other assets (describe ▶ <u>computer equip, accts payable, contribution receivable</u>)	8334	6623
25	Total assets	24164	26764
26	Total liabilities (describe ▶ <u>acct payable ; deferred revenue</u>)	5881	16481
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	18282	10283

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity		✓
34	Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes		✓
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?		✓
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		✓
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ▶ 37a 0		
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		✓
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?		✓
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a		
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b		
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		✓
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.		✓
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ <u>James Mikolaichik</u> Telephone no. ▶ <u>512-916-6010</u> Located at ▶ <u>6800 Burlison Road, Building 310, Suite 165, Austin, TX</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>78744</u>		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	Yes	No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		✓
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?		✓
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43 <input type="checkbox"/>		
44	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	Yes	No
			✓
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	Yes	No
			✓

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46-49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

- | | Yes | No |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- 50** Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
none				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 **0**

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
none		

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 **0**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer: *Sally Campbell* Date: *7/30/10*

Sally Campbell, Executive Director
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: _____ Date: _____ Check if self-employed:

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: _____ Preparer's identifying number (See instructions): _____

EIN: _____ Phone no.: _____

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions Yes No

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

Envision Central Texas

Employer identification number

74 : 3020304

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33% % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33% % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)

- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.

a Type I b Type II c Type III—Functionally integrated d Type III—Other

e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).

f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box

g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

(i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?

(ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col. (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col. (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col. (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	300967	390774	346613	299733	285103	1623190
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	300967	390774	346613	299733	285103	1623190
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						0
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						1623190

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	300967	390774	346613	299733	285103	1623190
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	2	1474	1468	121	0	3065
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						1626255
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	99.8 %
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99.8 %
16a 33 1/3 % support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b 33 1/3 % support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Part I
Envision Central Texas
20 explanation attachment

Other changes in net assets or fund balances

Envision Central Texas had \$15,000 in deferred revenues in 2009: City of San Marcos- \$5,000, City of Leander - \$5,000; and Texas State University - \$5000.

Part III
Envision Central Texas
Statement of 2009 Program Service Accomplishments

Primary exempt purpose:

Envision Central Texas (ECT) was created to assist in the public development and implementation of a regional vision addressing the growth of Central Texas, with an emphasis on land use, transportation and the environment. By working with the people of Central Texas to build a consensus, we can preserve and enhance our region's quality of life, natural resources, and economic prosperity

Services provided in 2009

I. Major Initiative for 2009:

Ensuring Efficient New and Existing Infrastructure in a Time of Limited Resources. Central Texas has critical infrastructure needs and severely limited resources. ECT began a regional dialogue to help inform the hard choices that must be made by regional leaders about infrastructure in order to maintain the quality of life and competitiveness of Central Texas.

Phase I - Public Outreach.

ECT staff and volunteers have been conducting a series of conversations and presentations to various community and civic groups as well as commissioners courts and city councils around the region about the need for better coordination in planning, prioritizing and implementing infrastructure in a time of limited resources

On **April 6**, Envision Central Texas convened a "Corporate Council" breakfast with key regional business leaders. Featured speaker for the event was the LCRA's General Manager **Tom Mason** who addressed some of the biggest challenges for the future in water and energy.

To bring a national perspective to the discussion, ECT engaged **Robert Puentes**, senior fellow of the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C., as the keynote speaker of the 2009 Community Stewardship Awards Luncheon on **May 8**. He discussed the challenges of creating infrastructure for a sustainable region in the future.

Phase II—Central Texas Infrastructure Forums.

ECT has begun actively planning for a series of Central Texas Infrastructure Forums involving the region's key leaders, infrastructure providers, subject matter experts and the public to examine existing challenges relating to interconnected infrastructure issues including, but not limited to, transportation, water quality and quantity, waste water, electric and gas utilities and green space

On **December 2**, ECT convened a meeting of about a dozen leaders of the key regional infrastructure providers to begin a dialogue about infrastructure challenges and coordination. A number of ideas and issues were discussed that will inform the content of a public forum to be held in the first quarter of 2010.

Ongoing Initiatives for 2009:

II. Public Education, Engagement and Outreach

ECT will continue to fulfill its critical role of educating and engaging the citizens and governmental leaders of Central Texas in an ongoing dialogue about the challenges of rapid growth, the benefits of regional cooperation and the opportunities to shape our region's future. ECT will also seek opportunities to advocate for positive steps toward the vision. Activities included:

■ **Leader Updates** ECT continues to meet with public and private-sector leaders throughout Central Texas to update them about the work of ECT, discuss what ECT can do to better support their needs, and determine their views regarding the integration of the ECT vision into their planning processes.

■ **Regional Planner Roundtables** The Community Design Committee led by **Tom Yantis** and **John Rosato** convened a Regional Planner Roundtable Meeting on **November 20** to introduce the newly completed *Central Texas Greenprint for Growth* and to seek input relating to monitoring and measuring the results of the initiative. A follow up roundtable on the Greenprint use and results around the region will be held in spring 2010.

■ **Regional Organizations Collaboration** Through meetings, joint projects and events, ECT continues to increase cooperation and collaboration among regional organizations and governments in order to maximize synergies as well as increase progress toward the Regional Vision. One such event was "**Shifting Gears**," a luncheon held on **January 21st** in collaboration with BikeTexas and **Texas Senators Rodney Ellis** and **Jeff Wentworth**. The event featured innovative transportation leader **Enrique Peñalosa**, former mayor of Bogotá. Peñalosa described his accomplishments in transforming and revitalizing the city of Bogotá by implementing his vision of a city energized with alternative transit, public spaces, side walks, bike paths and pedestrian streets.

A second collaborative event titled "**Preparing for the Impacts of the New Census Changes on Community Planning**" was held **March 2** and was sponsored by Envision Central Texas, Capital Area Council of Governments, Community Action Network, National Association of Planning Councils and U.S. Census Bureau. The speakers included **Jim Walker**, chair, Envision Central Texas, **Susan Schechter**, chief of the American Community Survey Office, U.S. Census Bureau; **Karl Eschbach**, demographer for the State of Texas; **Sarah Eckhardt**, Travis County Commissioner; **Mark Salling**, director of the Northern Ohio Data & Information Service in The Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University and The Center for Community Solutions; and, **Ryan Robinson**, demographer for the City of Austin. The presentation and panel discussion examined the coming changes in the United States Census and American Community Survey; the broad impact of the changes; federal coordination; impact on local communities, and how local leaders can prepare for these changes.

■ **Regional Outreach** ECT staff and volunteer leadership met throughout the year with individual leaders, small groups and large forums to present information about the ECT Vision and its principles and other topics including the CAMPO 2035 Plan and the "centers" concept, the various rail initiatives and the need for multi-modal transportation in the region and the region's pressing need for additional county land use authority and additional sources of transportation funding. ECT also helped publicize public outreach by the various agencies on these issues. ECT also hosted booths at several festivals and fairs around the region to share information and promote the Greenprint and Vision.

■ **Fourth Annual ECT Community Stewardship Awards and Luncheon.** On **May 8** at the Hyatt Regency Austin, ECT conducted the fourth annual luncheon to spotlight and honor the innovative people, projects and processes that are addressing the growth challenges facing our region in ways that will move us closer to a future that preserves and enhances our natural resources, economic vitality, social equity and overall quality of living. The Keynote Speaker was **Robert Puentes** of the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C., who spoke about creating a sustainable region in the future. The Community Stewardship Awards winners for 2009 included. New development – **Capital MetroRail Red Line**, Austin to Leander; Redevelopment – **The Alley Flats Initiative**, Austin - Austin Community Design and Development Center, the Guadalupe Neighborhood Development Corporation and the University of Texas Center for

Sustainable Development; Pioneer – **Sustainable Food Center**, Austin; Public Planning and Policy – **City of Hutto**; and Raising Public Awareness – **Katherine Gregor**, *Austin Chronicle*. The W. Neal Kocurek Legacy Award was presented to **Pike Powers** of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP

■ **Horizons Newsletter.** Continued to publish and distribute *ECT Horizons*, a quarterly e-newsletter about strategies for coping with the rapid growth in the region and the vision, programs and projects of ECT.

III. Seeking Opportunities for Advocacy

ECT will seek opportunities for advocacy in accordance to its adopted plan and Vision. Work to date includes:

■ **Legislative Advocacy.** Our region needs both the tools and the resources to address future growth challenges and ensure our livability. The Texas Legislature plays a critical role in providing those tools and resources, and for the first time, ECT weighed in with position statements on issues being considered in this legislative session which will impact the region's ability to realize its Vision. ECT took positions in favor of enhanced county land use authority and local option transportation funding and provided testimony and counsel. The two working groups formed on these issues will continue to work on these issues between sessions.

On **September, 24 –26**, ECT was a partner in an important activity that will help coalition building in the state on key issues— the inaugural "Megaregions and MetroProsperity" conference in Houston. The event brought together leaders from across the Texas Triangle Megaregion, an area defined by the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, Houston, Austin, and San Antonio, to discuss infrastructure challenges, economic strategies and how our futures are intertwined. The Texas Triangle is one of the fastest growing of the nation's emerging megaregions, encompassing nearly 80 percent of Texas' population and an even larger share of its economy and population growth. Envision Central Texas was one of the event partners and presenters, sharing our lessons learned about regional visioning and implementation and discussing the possibility of coalitions within the state on legislative issues.

■ **2009 Legislative Update.** On **August 31**, ECT convened the *81st Texas Legislative Roundup*. More than 300 people from across the region attended and panel participants in the event included **Senator Glenn Hegar, Senator Kirk Watson, Senator Jeff Wentworth, Representative Valinda Bolton, Representative Eddie Rodriguez, and Representative Patrick Rose**. ECT Chairman **Jim Walker** served as moderator of the discussion, which explored outcomes from the last session and priorities going forward, especially related to transportation, land use and other infrastructure and coordination issues in the Central Texas.

IV. Creating Tools and Resources to Accomplish the Regional Vision

ECT will be a resource to the region on best practices, tools and strategies that support quality growth and move us closer to the Regional Vision. Activities and resources have included:

■ **Quality Growth Toolbox** ECT has continued to enhance and enlarge the online Quality Growth Toolbox, which is a collection of more than 100 resources, models, best practices and other tools designed to assist communities as they plan for growth. ECT is also on conveying the resources to local jurisdictions and community leaders. ECT has also begun discussion with other visioning organizations in the D/FW Metroplex and Houston about a combined effort to expand ECT's toolbox to be a repository for statewide best practices for quality growth.

The Central Texas Greenprint for Growth (phase 2) took nearly two years and \$250,000 to accomplish. Funders included the Federal Highway Administration, the Lower Colorado River Authority, the Shield Ayres Foundation, Bastrop, Caldwell and Hays Counties, Barton Springs-

Edwards Aquifer Conservation District and the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority The Phase 1 Travis County Greenprint was funded by TPL, Travis County, University of Texas at Austin, and others

■ **ECT Website.** ECT has maintained and expanded its website which spotlights its work and offers resources and information to those interested in the challenges of growth and development in Central Texas. (www.envisioncentraltexas.org)

V. Measuring Progress Towards the Regional Vision

ECT will advocate for goals related to the attainment of the Region Vision.

■ **Updating Goals Toward Vision.** During 2009, **Richard Maier** of DR. Horton and **Gail Vittori** of the Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems, led the task force effort to select measureable indicators, benchmarks and goals to demonstrate progress toward the Vision. It was decided by the task force that it would be desirable to use indicators that were used in the initial visioning phase of ECT so that change over time can be tracked Draft indicators for transportation, housing and economy have been selected and the status of sources will be confirmed before the next stage of the project. This initiative will continue in 2010.

VI. Implementation Committees and Task Forces

ECT will leverage the talents, knowledge and energy of the region's citizens to accomplish the Program of Work through engagement in Envision Central Texas' Implementation Committees and Task Forces.

■ **Community Design Committee:** Co-Chairs **Tom Yantis**, BWR Corp and **John Rosato**, Southwest Strategies Group. The committee began work on two case studies of new developments in Central Texas. One is an urban transit oriented development (Crestview Station in Austin) and the other is a greenfield town center concept (Cedar Park Town Center). The two projects were selected because they were very different examples of designs that attempted to include some of the ECT Vision elements in their execution. The case studies will examine topics such as financing, regulations and design, and will also look at the barriers and challenges encountered, areas for improvement and lessons learned. It is hoped that this may be the start of a library of such studies.

■ **Community Outreach Committee:** Co-Chairs: **Ann Stafford**, UT PAC and **Carole Belver**, Community Action, Inc. of Hays, Caldwell and Blanco Counties. This committee planned the successful 09 Community Stewardship Awards Luncheon and is beginning work on the 2010 event The group also helped design and edit various communication pieces for ECT and several members participated in a communications workshop for ECT in the summer.

■ **Natural Infrastructure Committee** Co-Chairs: **Valarie Bristol**, Travis Audubon and **Karen Ford**, Commissioner, Hays County This group has been supporting the Greenprint initiative throughout the year including helping to identify and involve stakeholders in the process The group has just embarked on a case study project similar to that of the Community Design Committee. They will research and complete two case studies of conservation projects—one primarily driven by the private sector (Dahlstrom Ranch in Hays County) and one primarily driven by the public sector (Onion Creek Trail in Travis County). The case studies will be shared online in the Quality Growth Toolbox and possibly at an event in 2010.

■ **Transportation and Land Use Committee:** Co-Chairs: **Wade Cooper**, Managing Partner, Jackson Walker LLP and **Jeff Coffee**, City Manager, City of Elgin This committee had semi-monthly meetings highlighting transportation and land use issues in the region. The group also helped plan and host the 81st Legislative Roundup in August and supported the local option transportation funding working group's efforts in the 81st legislature.

■ **Regional Infrastructure Task Force:** Co-Chairs: **Jim Walker**, Director Sustainability, University of Texas at Austin and **Travis Froehlich**, Vice President, Strategic Planning, Seton Family of Hospitals. This group has helped to frame and plan the infrastructure initiative.

■ **Benchmarks and Goals Task Force:** Co-Chairs **Richard Maier**, Land Manager, DR Horton and **Gail Vittori**, Co-Director, The Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems. See item **V**

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