Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) For the Gainesville Metropolitan Area

MEETING PACKET

for

August 10, 2009 3:00 p.m.

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August 3, 2009

TO:

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM:

Scherwin Henry, Chair

SUBJECT:

Meeting Announcement

The MTPO for the Gainesville Urbanized Area will meet on Monday, August 10, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. This meeting will be held in the Jack Durrance Auditorium, Alachua County Administration Building, Gainesville, Florida.

Enclosed are copies of the meeting agenda. Please bring the materials enclosed with the agenda to the meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, at 955-2200, extension 103.

Enclosures

North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

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AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium Alachua County Administration Building Gainesville, Florida Monday, 3:00 p.m. August 10, 2009

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page *3 I. Approval of the Meeting Agenda and Consent Agenda

APPROVE BOTH AGENDAS

The MTPO needs to review and approve both agendas

II. MTPO Rural Advisor*

NO ACTION REQUIRED

Mr. John Martin has requested the opportunity to address the MTPO

Page #51 III. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Amendments- RTS Grants

APPROVE AMENDMENT

RTS has received two grants that must be amended into the Fiscal Years 2009 - 2013 TIP

Page "57 IV. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Amendments- Roll Forward Projects

APPROVE AMENDMENT

Several TIP projects were not obligated in Fiscal Year 2009 as expected and are being moved to Fiscal Year 2010

Page #61 V. Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project
Development and Environmental Study

APPROVE JOINT RECOMMENDATION

<u>City of Gainesville staff is requesting MTPO endorsement of these typical sections</u>

Page #71 SW 62nd Boulevard Connecter Grant VI. SIGN SUPPORT LETTER **Application- Letter of Support** City of Gainesville staff is requesting that the MTPO send a letter of support for this project Page #75 VII. Rapid Transit for the Gainesville **AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO** Urban Area SIGN SUPPORT LETTER The MTPO is being asked to support a request for \$150 million in federal transportation funding for the creation of an electric street car system Page #77 APPROVE JOINT VIII. Gainesville Regional Transit System-2010-2019 Transit Development Plan RECOMMENDATION This plan identifies transit project funding priorities through the Year 2019 SW 20th Avenue-Scoping Plans Page #79 APPROVE CAC AND MTPO IX. STAFF RECOMMENDATION The MTPO is being asked to approve one of the three typical cross sections contained in the report entitled Multimodal Corridor Report- SW 20th Avenue AGREE TO MEET ON SEPTEMBER 14TH Back X. **Next MTPO Meeting** Cover The next MTPO meeting is currently scheduled for September 14th at 3:00 p.m. XI. Comments MTPO Members* A. Citizen Comments* В.

AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO

Please bring the enclosed materials to the meeting. If you have any questions regarding the agenda items or enclosed materials, please contact Mr. Marlie Sanderson, AICP, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, at 955-2200, Extension 103.

Chair's Report*

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^{*}No handout included with the enclosed agenda material.

CONSENT AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page #7 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- June 8, 2009

APPROVE MINUTES

This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review

Page #15 CA. 2 Proposed Amended Budget for FY 2008-2009 and Proposed Budget for FY 2009-2010

APPROVE BUDGETS

These budgets will allow staff to monitor MTPO expenditures and make appropriate adjustments as needed

Page #19 CA. 3 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)-Transit Planning Resolution APPROVE RESOLUTION

The MTPO needs to approve the enclosed resolution in order to receive transit planning funds for Fiscal Year 2010

Page *23 CA. 4 Transportation Disadvantaged Program-Status Report NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

Page #33 CA. 5 FDOT Mast Arm Policy- Potential Project Impacts

NO ACTION REQUIRED

FDOT has determined that no projects that are currently in the design phase will be affected by FDOT's new policy

Page #35 CA. 6 FDOT Strategic Intermodal System Update- NO ACTION REQUIRED Regional Workshops

The enclosed email discusses upcoming workshops in Gainesville and Jacksonville

Page #37 CA. 7 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of NO ACTION REQUIRED 2009 (ARRA)- MTPO Project Priorities

The enclosed memorandum discusses the current funding status of MTPO project priorities for ARRA projects

Page #43 CA. 8 FDOT Access Management Public Hearing-SW 2nd Avenue and Newberry Road NO ACTION REQUIRED

Enclosed is an announcement about an upcoming public hearing on September 14th concerning access management on SW 2nd Avenue and Newberry Road

Page #45 CA. 9 MPOAC Federal Authorization Principals NO ACTION REQUIRED

Enclosed with the meeting packet are the MPOAC Federal Authorization Principals adopted on April 2, 2009

Consent

Agenda

Enclosures



MINUTES METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO) FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium Alachua County Administration Building Gainesville, Florida 6:00 p.m. Monday June 8, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Scherwin Henry, Chair Paula DeLaney, Vice Chair Mike Byerly Jack Donovan Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan

Jack Donovan
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan
Thomas Hawkins
James Bennett/Charles Baldwin
John Martin
Lee Pinkoson
Lauren Poe
Ed Poppell

MEMBERS ABSENT

Craig Lowe
Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Rodney Long

Jeanna Mastrodicasa

See Exhibit A

OTHERS PRESENT

Scott Koons Marlie Sanderson Michael Escalante

STAFF PRESENT

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Scherwin Henry called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

A member of the MTPO requested that agenda item CA.2 SW 62nd Connector Interim Projects 30 Percent Design Plans be placed on the regular agenda.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that a member of the MTPO needed to leave early to attend another meeting. He also noted that there were not enough County Commissioners present to discuss agenda item II. SW 20th Avenue-Scoping Plans due to a Commissioner's conflict of interest. He asked for approval of the consent agenda and meeting agenda amended to:

- 1. defer agenda item VII. SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans until the next MTPO meeting;
- 2. place agenda item VI. Unfunded Project Priorities after agenda item II. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment- Purchase of Transit Vehicles; and
- 3. place agenda item CA.2 SW 62nd Connector Interim Projects 30 Percent Design Plans after agenda item VI. Unfunded Project Priorities.

ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Consent Agenda and the Meeting Agenda amended to:

- 1. defer agenda item VII. SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans until the next MTPO meeting;
- 2. place agenda item VI. Unfunded Project Priorities after agenda item II. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment- Purchase of Transit Vehicles; and
- 3. place agenda item CA.2 SW 62nd Connector Interim Projects 30 Percent Design Plans after agenda item VI. Unfunded Project Priorities.

Commissioner Donovan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENT-PURCHASE OF TRANSIT VEHICLES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the City of Gainesville has received \$475,000 for a HR 1105 Federal High Priority Project to purchase transit vehicles. He discussed the TIP amendment and answered questions. He asked the MTPO to amend the <u>Fiscal Years 2008/09 - 2012/13 TIP</u>.

ACTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to amend the <u>Fiscal Years 2008/2009 - 2012/2013</u>
<u>TIP</u> to include the Purchase of Transit Vehicles Project [FIN #4267571].
Commissioner Delaney seconded. Mr. Sanderson conducted a show-of-hands vote. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. UNFUNDED PROJECT PRIORITIES

Mr. Sanderson stated that, each year, the MTPO develops recommended transportation priorities for projects that are needed, but not currently funded. He said that this information is used by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) each fall to develop its <u>Tentative Five Year Work Program</u>. He discussed the draft Fiscal Years 2008/2009 - 2012/2013, List of Priority Projects document and answered questions. He noted that there were two tables, Enhancement Priorities and Surface Transportation Program (STP) Priorities, that did not have consensus Advisory Committee recommendations. He and Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT District 2 Transportation Specialist, explained the differences in the recommendations.

ACTION: Commissioner DeLaney moved to approve the draft Fiscal Years 2008/2009 - 2012/2013, List of Priority Projects. Commissioner Hawkins seconded; motion passed unanimously.

CA.2 SW 62ND CONNECTOR INTERIM PROJECTS 30 PERCENT DESIGN PLANS

- A. SW 40TH BOULEVARD AT ARCHER ROAD INTERSECTION MODIFICATIONS
- B. SW 43RD STREET AT SW 20TH AVENUE INTERSECTION MODIFICATIONS
- C. SMART BUS BAY ON SW 20TH AVENUE

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that Alachua County staff has submitted 30 percent SW 62nd Connector design plans for the SW 40th Boulevard at Archer Road Intersection Modifications, SW 43rd Street at SW 20th Avenue Intersection Modifications, and Smart Bus Bay on SW 20th Avenue.

Mr. Terry Shaw, HNTB Associate Vice President, discussed the 30 percent design plans and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Hawkins moved to approve the:

- 1. SW 40th Boulevard at Archer Road Intersection Modifications Project 30 Percent Design Plans:
 - A. provided that a written explanation is included that discusses why the MTPO Design Policy Manual shade tree provisions cannot be followed; and
 - B. include a sidewalk on the west side of SW 40th Boulevard (note-this will require the shifting of the alignment and/or additional right-of-way to accommodate this recommendation).
- 2. SW 43rd Street at SW 20th Avenue Intersection Modifications 30 Percent Design Plans:
 - A. provided that a written explanation is included that discusses why the MTPO Design Policy Manual shade tree provisions cannot be followed; and
 - B. extend the curb-and-gutter and sidewalk on the west side of SW 43rd Street past the Begin of Project to the existing driveway for the soccer fields in order to:
 - i. prevent back-out parking (safety issue) that occurs on weekends and evenings; and
 - ii. preserve the edge of pavement for SW 43rd Street and the existing drainage swale.

3. Smart Bus Bay on SW 20th Avenue 30 Percent Design Plans, that includes a written explanation that discusses why the MTPO Design Policy Manual shade tree provisions cannot be followed.

Commissioner DeLaney seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. CITY OF ALACHUA CATS TRANSIT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that the City of Alachua staff was present to make a presentation on the City of Alachua Transit System (CATS).

Ms. Danielle Judd, City of Alachua Assistant City Manager, discussed the CATS Transit Improvement Program and answered questions.

Commissioner John Martin, MTPO Rural Advisor, requested that the City of Alachua has partner with the City of High Springs. He also offered his assistance in this effort.

Commissioner Paula DeLaney, Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating (TD) Board Chair, thanked the City of Alachua for its efforts to implement Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) service.

IV. FLORIDA STRATEGIC INTERMODAL SYSTEM (SIS)

Mr. Sanderson stated that a member of the MTPO had requested discussion of the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS). He said that Florida Department of Transportation staff was present to discuss the SIS.

Mr. James Bennett, FDOT District 2 Urban Area Transportation Development Engineer, discussed the SIS and answered questions. He introduced Mr. Barney Bennette, FDOT District 2 SIS Coordinator.

Several MTPO members discussed their concerns regarding SIS facility designation and funding.

Commissioner Martin discussed his concerns regarding SIS rail facility traffic and economic benefits in Alachua County.

V. INTERSTATE 75 MASTER PLAN STUDY

Mr. Sanderson stated that Florida Department of Transportation staff requested an opportunity to give a status report concerning the Interstate 75 Master Plan update.

Mr. Jordan Green, FDOT District 2 Rural Area Transportation Development Engineer, discussed the Interstate 75 Master Plan update and answered questions. He announced that there would be public meetings on June 16th in the FDOT District 2 Office in Lake City and at the Best Western Gateway Grand on June 18th in Gainesville. He said that the doors would open at 4:30 p.m. and formal comments taken beginning at 6:00 p.m.

VIII. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson announced that, because the MTPO did not have any agenda items that required action in July, the next MTPO meeting would be on August 10th at 3:00 p.m.

IX. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBERS

Commissioner Martin reported on the recent League of Cities meeting. He discussed his concerns regarding the speed limits for the Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project.

B. CITIZENS

There were no citizens comments.

C. CHAIRS REPORT-FDOT Mast Arms Policy-Update

Chair Henry noted that FDOT's new Mast Arms Policy has financial implications for Alachua County and the City of Gainesville.

Mr. Bennett discussed FDOT's new Mast Arms Policy and answered questions. He said that he would inform the MTPO as to which forthcoming projects would be impacted by the new policy.

A member of the MTPO requested information on which projects are affected by the new FDOT Mast Arm Policy at the next MTPO meeting.

Mr. Bennett stated that he would provide the MTPO with the information as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Henry adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.	
Date	William Thomas Hawkins, Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

Interested Citizens	Alachua County	City of Gainesville	Florida Department of Transportation
Danielle Judd	Dave Cerlanek	Paul Folker	Barney Bennette
Terry Shaw	Ha Nguyen	Jesus Gomez	Jordan Green
The second secon	Jonathan Paul	Teresa Scott	Sean Kelly
			Karen Taulbee

^{*} By telephone * Provided written comments

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Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida

Monday, 6:00 p.m. June 8, 2009

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page #7 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes-April 20, 2009 APPROVE MINUTES This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review **CA. 3** American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) APPROVE JOINT **Enhancement Projects-Scoping Plans** RECOMMENDATIONS NW 34th Street [NW 39th Avenue to US 441] Sidewalk Page #139 A. SW 8th Avenue [Tower Road to SW 67th Terrace] Sidewalk Page #145 В. FDOT has provided draft scopes for these sidewalk projects Page #151 CA. 4 Transportation Enhancement Applications APPROVE APPLICATIONS The MTPO needs to approve the submittal of these applications to FDOT Page #189 CA. 5 University of Florida Research Agreement APPROVE AGREEMENT The University is requesting that the MTPO sponsor this Co-op position Page #197 CA. 6 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)-APPROVE REVISIONS Revisions Enclosed with this agenda item are revised UPWP pages for Fiscal Year 2009/10

because of an increase in transit planning funds

Page *207 CA. 7 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)- APPROVE RESOLUTION
Transit Planning Resolution

The MTPO needs to approve the enclosed resolution because of an increase in transit planning funds

Page *211 CA. 8 Transportation Disadvantaged Program-2009-2010 Planning Grant Application APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This application is for state funds to support this Program, including providing staff services to the Coordinating Board

Page *217 CA. 9 Transportation Disadvantaged Program- NO ACTION REQUIRED Status Report

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

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August 3, 2009

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09

Budget for Fiscal Year 2009-10

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the amended budget for Fiscal Year 2008-09 and the budget for Fiscal Year 2009-10 as recommended by staff.

BACKGROUND:

As you know, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization adopts the Unified Planning Work Program which outlines the anticipated transportation planning expenditures each year for the period beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30. However, since the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization is a governmental entity under Florida state law, it is necessary that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization fiscal year begin on October 1. Consequently, a fiscal year budget needs to be adopted that can be monitored and adjusted appropriately during the year as decisions are made with respect to program activities.

The attached amended budget and budget satisfy this budgetary process requirement. One is an amended FY 2008-09 budget which reflects the activities of the current year based upon an up-to-date assessment of what has happened during the past three quarters and an estimate of the revenues and expenditures expected during the July-September 2009 quarter. The Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget is based upon the Unified Planning Work Program that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization adopted in the spring of 2008 with an estimate being made of the expenditures which will be included in the July-September 2010 quarter. In the July-September 2010 quarter, staff will present to you an amended budget to take into account any alterations made by the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization in the work program during the year, and also to better reflect the expenditures anticipated in the 2010-11 Unified Planning Work Program.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to call me. Staff will be available at the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization meeting to answer any questions concerning the budgets.

Attachments

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA BUDGET

Fiscal Year October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009 Amended August 10, 2009

REVENUES	ADOPTED	PROPOSED
Florida Department of Transportation	\$ 740,500	\$ 717,700
Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Commission	22,100	22,100
Alachua County	9,600	9,600
City of Gainesville	14,400	14,400
Charrette Funding - Local Alachua County City of Gainesville	0 0	0 0
In-Kind Contributions (Florida Department of Transportation)	111,000	115,600
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 897,600	\$ 879,400
EXPENDITURES		
Staff Services - North Central Florida Regional Planning Council	\$ 610,900	\$ 54,300
Contractual Services	163,900	695,800
Audit	5,800	5,800
Legal Advertisements	5,000	5,000
Travel	0	1,500
Memberships	500	700
Office Supplies	500	500
Meeting Expense	0	200
In-Kind Services (Florida Department of Transportation)	111,000	115,600
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 897,600	\$ 879,400

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METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA BUDGET

Fiscal Year October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010

REVENUES	PR	OPOSED
Florida Department of Transportation	\$	879,800
Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Commission		22,100
Alachua County		9,600
City of Gainesville		14,400
Charrette Funding - Local Alachua County City of Gainesville		0 0
In-Kind Contributions (Florida Department of Transportation)		123,200
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 1	,049,100
EXPENDITURES		
Contractual Services		907,700
Legal Advertisements		10,000
Audit		6,000
Travel		1,000
Memberships		500
Office Supplies		500
Meeting Expense		200
In-Kind Services (Florida Department of Transportation)		123,200
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 1	,049,100



RESOLUTION 09-6

A RESOLUTION OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA AMENDING RESOLUTION 09-5 AUTHORIZING A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT TRANSPORTATION AND THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2009/2010 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5303 PUBLIC TRANSIT OFFICE (PTO) PLANNING FUNDS IN ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area has decided to seek Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 Public Transit Office (PTO) planning funds in Alachua County in order to examine transportation system management (TSM) and transportation demand management (TDM) techniques which are designed to improve the transportation system through low-cost measures to reduce traffic congestion and obtain greater capacity out of the existing highway system.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation requires that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area execute a Reimbursement Agreement in order to be able to expend Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Federal Transit Administration Section 5303 Public Transit Office (PTO) planning funds in Alachua County.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area has the authority to enter into said Agreement and to undertake the project hereinafter described, as authorized under Section 339.175(9)(b), *Florida Statutes*;

WHEREAS, the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council will provide the funds to prepare these studies and then seek reimbursement from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT);

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area (MTPO) adopted Resolution No. 09-3 on April 20, 2009 and authorizing the chairperson of the MTPO to execute an Agreement with the FDOT for Public Transit Office planning activities in Alachua County pursuant to FDOT Financial Project Identification #41176231401 for an amount not to exceed \$112,371;

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area (MTPO) adopted Resolution No. 09-5 on June 8, 2009 authorizing the chairperson of the MTPO to execute an Agreement with the FDOT for Public Transit Office planning activities in Alachua County pursuant to FDOT Financial Project Identification #41176231401 for an amount not to exceed \$127,138;

WHEREAS, the FDOT Financial Project Identification #411762 3 14 01 for reimbursement has been revised to add a second year of funding for an amount not to exceed \$277,867 (this figure includes two years of federal funds and two years of state cash match).

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA:

- 1. That the MTPO has the authority to enter in the Agreement.
- 2. That the MTPO authorizes its Chairperson to execute the Agreement on behalf of the MTPO with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for planning to facilitate Public Transit Office planning activities in Alachua County, Florida, FDOT Financial Project Identification #411762 3 14 01, for reimbursement in an amount not to exceed \$277,867.
- 3. That the MTPO authorizes its Chairperson to sign any and all agreements or contracts that are required in connection with the Agreement.
- 4. That the MTPO authorizes its Chief Staff Official to sign any and all agreements, assurances, reimbursement invoices, warranties, certification, and any other documents that may be required in connection with the Agreement or subsequent agreements.
- 5. That Resolution No. 09-5 and all other resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby amended to the extent of such conflict.
- 6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

	DULY ADOPTED in regular session, this	3	_ day of	A.D., 2009.
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			GAINESVILL	E URBANIZED AREA
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William T	homas Hawkins, Secretary/Treasurer	APPR	OVED AS TO	FORM
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August 3, 2009

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Transportation Disadvantaged Program-Status Report

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

No action required. This agenda item is for information only.

BACKGROUND

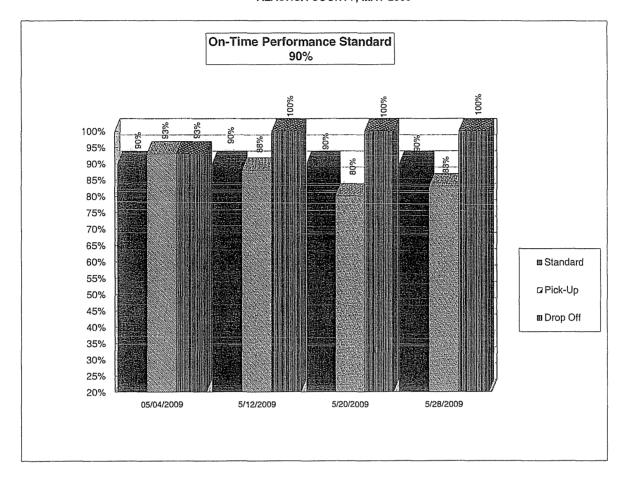
Enclosed are the following reports:

- 1. TDSP Standards Report that shows:
 - MV did not meet the pick-up on-time performance standard on May 12, May 28, June 7, June 12 and June 17.;
 - MV met the standard of no more than 3 complaints per 1,000 trips in April, May and June 2009;
 - MV met the call hold time standard in April, May and June 2009;
 - MV did not meet the accident standard of no more than 1.4 accidents per 100,000 miles in May or June, 2009. MV met the accident standard in April 2009; and
 - MV met the roadcall standard in April, May and June 2009.
- 2. MV Transportation Operations Report July 2008 June 2009.

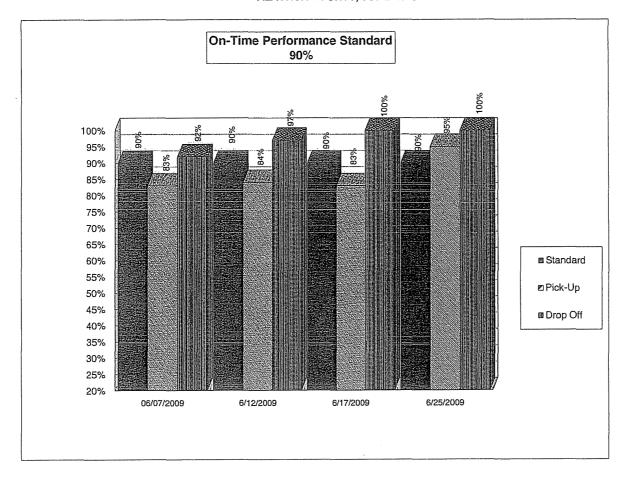
If you have any questions concerning the enclosed materials, please contact Ms. Lynn Godfrey, Senior Planner, at extension 110.

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TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS ALACHUA COUNTY, MAY 2009



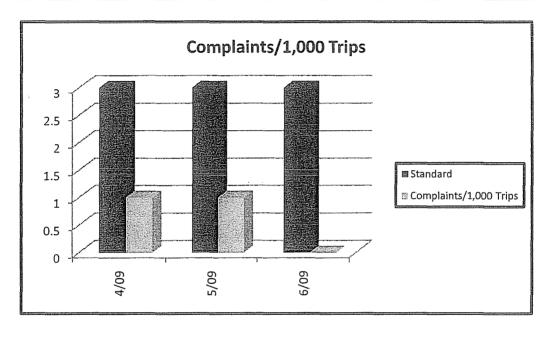
TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS ALACHUA COUNTY, JUNE 2009



TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS

ALACHUA COUNTY, APRIL 2009 - JUNE 2009

MONTH	STANDARD	COMPLAINTS/1,000 TRIPS
4/09	3	1
5/09	3	1
6/09	3	0



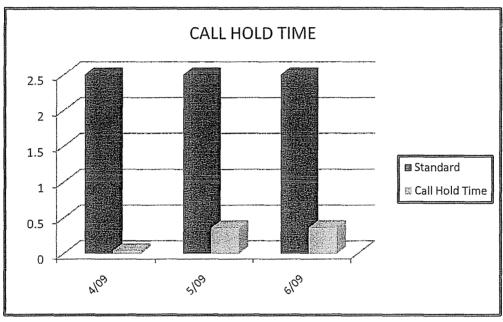
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MV TRANSPORTATION SUMMARY OF SERVICE ISSUES

TYPE OF COMPLAINT	7/08	8/08	9/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	1/09	2/09	3/09	4/09	5/09	6/09
Late Drop-Off	6	1	7	3	0	0	0	4	3	3	3	0
Pick-Up before Window Opens	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Late Return Pick-Up	0	0	2	2	2	0	2	3	2	1	1	0
Excessive Ride Time	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	ō	0
Can't Get Through by Telephone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	O	0
On Hold for Excessive Periods of Time	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	o	0
Phone System Problems	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sunday Reservations	0	0	0	0	0	O	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trip Denial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driver Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driver Behavior	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0
No Passenger Assistance Provided	0	0	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
No Driver ID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dispatcher Behavior	0	0	0	ol	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Reservationist Behavior	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsafe Driving	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	0
No Show by Driver	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
Reservations/Scheduling	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Reservations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	_0	0
Air Conditioning not Working	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wheelchair/Scooter Securement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Passenger Behavior	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Show by Passenger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Customer Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Safety	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Trip Cancelled, Ride Came Anyway	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wheelchair Lift Not Working Properly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	0	0
Charged Wrong Passenger Fare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Vehicle Condition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	1	0
MV Staff Availability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Dropped Off at Wrong Location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0
Improper Passenger Assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	1	0
TOTAL	6	4	19	8	3	0	4	11		10	9	0
TRIPS	9,669	9,193	9,967	10,787	8,621	9,110	9,162	9,187	10,095	9,522	8,853	8,747
COMPLAINTS/1,000 TRIPS	1	0.4	2	1	0.3	0	0.44	1	1	1	1	0
Number of Individuals Submitting Complaints	2	3	9	7	3	0	4	7		8	5	0
RTS	1	3	8	5	2	0	4	10		4	3	0
CIL	1	0	11	2	0	0	0	1		3	0	0
Foster Grandparents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
NCFRPC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	3	0
COMMENDATIONS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS ALACHUA COUNTY, APRIL 2009 - JUNE 2009

MONTH	STANDARD	CALL HOLD TIME
4/09	2.5	0.04
5/09	2.5	0.36
6/09	2.5	0.36

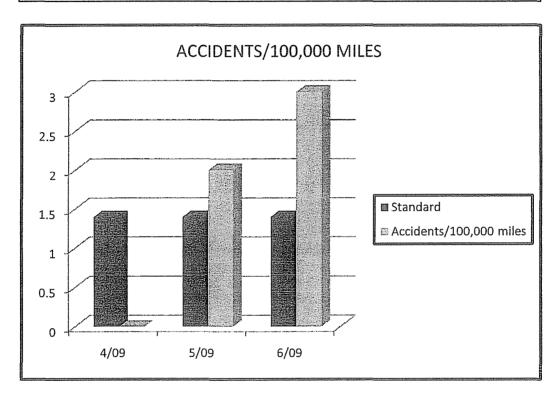


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TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS

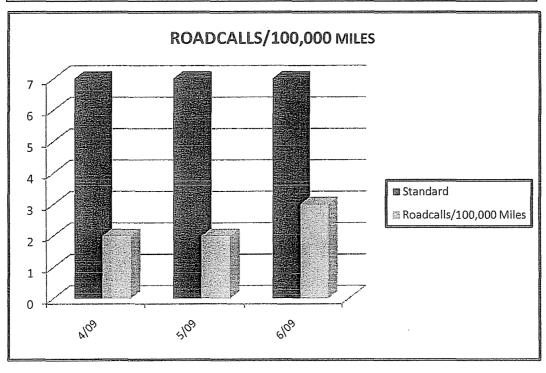
ALACHUA COUNTY APRIL 2009 - JUNE 2009

MONTH	STANDARD	ACCIDENTS/100,000 MILES
4/09	1.4	0
5/09	1.4	2
6/09	1.4	3



TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED SERVICE PLAN (TDSP) STANDARDS ALACHUA COUNTY, APRIL 2009 - JUNE 2009

MONTH	STANDARD	ROADCALLS/100,000 MILES
4/09	7	2
5/09	7	2
6/09	7	3



2008-2009 OPERATING DATA	Jul-0	3 Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09	May-09	Jun-09
Total No Trips Invoiced	9,66	9,193	9,967	10,787	8,621	9,110	9,162	9,187	10,095	9,522	8,853	8,747
Medicaid Alachua	4,06	3,592	3,629	4,401	3,648	4,006	4,010	3726	4,123	3,888	3,570	3,582
TD Trust Fund Alachua	1,50	1,420	1,661	1,520	1,133	1,183	1,127	1414	1,788	1,709	1,327	1,488
ADA	3,66	3,529	3,696	3,869	3,089	3,199	3,250	3381	3,436	3,162	3,225	3,198
County of Alachua - 5311			0	0	. 0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	0
County of Alachua, FGPA, RSVP	24		784	797	531	497	593	479	565	571	549	276
Elder Care	11		109	106	126	126	88	93	89	97	87	104
Bus Passes TD			84	90	90	94	91	91	92	91	89	91
Bus Passes Medicaid	1		4	4	4	5	3	3	2	4	6	8
Purchased Transportation	\$ 293,139.46	\$ 229,543.97	\$ 248,239.51	\$ 341,310.33	\$ 254,095.96	\$ 260,569.33	\$ 255,916.72	\$ 264,390.19	\$ 283,117.50	\$ 274,586.94	\$ 184,529.43	\$ 257,721.76
Medicaid Alachua	\$177,760.0		\$117,760.00	\$177,760.00	\$117,760.00	\$117,760.00	\$112,108.00	\$112,108.00	\$112,108.00	\$112,108.00	\$112,108.00	\$112,105.00
TD Trust Fund Alachua	\$ 33,241.18	\$ 29,601,58	\$ 39,117.29	\$ 35,882.10	\$ 36,767.88	\$ 38,065.28	\$35,758.36	\$43,604.64	\$57,362.64	\$55,485.02	\$40,145.14	\$46,408.94
TD Trust Fund Local Match	\$ 3,693.46	\$ 3,289.64	\$ 3,911.73	\$ 3,588.21	\$ 3,676.79	\$ 3,806.53	\$3,575.84	\$4,360.46	\$5,736.26	\$5,548.50	\$4,014.51	\$4,640.89
ADA	\$ 69,629.88	\$ 66,147.71	\$ 68,254.84	\$ 96,638.54	\$ 75,190.25	\$ 81,262.77	\$83,260.32	\$86,185.49	\$87,460.60	\$80,523.38	\$8,212.28	\$81,772.03
County of Alachua - 5311	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
County of Alachua, FGPA, RSVP	\$ 4,682.56	\$ 8,689.80	\$ 14,898.24	\$ 23,194.97	\$ 15,514.08	\$ 14,946.02	\$ 16,841.20	\$13,603.60	\$16,046.00	\$16,252.54	\$15,690.00	\$7,838.40
Elder Care	\$ 2,782.38	\$ 2,705.24	\$ 2,722.41	\$ 2,601.51	\$ 3,174.46	\$ 2,978.73	\$ 2,728.00	\$2,883.00	\$2,759.00	\$3,007.00	\$2,697.00	\$3,224.00
Bus Passes Total MED and TD	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,575.00	\$ 1,645.00	\$ 2,012.50	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,645.00	\$1,645.00	\$1,645.00	\$1,662.50	\$1,662.50	\$1,732.50
Total Dollars Invoiced	\$ 216,069.88	\$ 204,053.76	\$ 230,544.07	\$ 266,373.25	\$ 222,076.87	\$ 250,738.15	\$279,785.90	\$270,565.82	\$299,375.22	\$282,309.03	\$252,743.14	\$251,348.37
Total Expenses	\$ 286,164.00	\$ 346,892.00	\$ 263,225.00	\$ 273,787.00	\$ 255,254.00	\$ 251,960.00		\$ 244,878.00	\$ 256,077.00	\$244,809.00	\$241,230.00	\$268,772.00
Average Cost Per Trip	\$ 29.60			\$ 25.38	\$ 29.61	\$ 27.66	\$ 27.71	\$ 26.65	\$ 25.37	\$ 25,71	\$ 27.25	\$ 30.73
Total Vehicle Miles	126,20	120,874	122,537	124,406	97,103	105,512	106,076	102,322	108,510	104,203	103,889	105,421
Total Vehicle Hours	7,88	7,634	7,650	7,638	6,027	6,488	6,623	6,414	6,683	6,462	6,424	6,326
Avg Miles per Trip	1		12	12	11	12	12	11	11	11	12	12
Avg Cost Per Mile	\$2.2		\$2.15	\$2,20	\$2.63	\$2.39	\$2.39	\$2.39	\$2.36	\$2.35	\$2.32	\$2.55
Avg Cost Per Hour	\$36.3		\$34.41	\$35.85	\$42.35	\$38.83	\$38.33		\$38.32		\$37.55	\$42.49
Number of No Shows	40	538	467	475	475	532	463	692	724	729	613	542
Number Trips Denied		0	Ö	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Accidents		0 4	1	0	2	0	3	3	3	0	2	3
No RoadCalls		0 3	3	3	4	0	4	1	3	2	2	3
Telephone Calls Rec'd	19,56		19,750	20,937	16,941	18,266			12,114	11,804	12,584	10,661
Avg. Telephone On-Hold Time	0,	4 0.49	0.53	0.51	0.51	0.45	0.56	0.4	0.04	0,35	0,36	0.36



Marlie Sanderson

From: Taulbee, Karen [Karen.Taulbee@dot.state.fl.us]

Sent: Friday, July 10, 2009 11:18 AM

To: Marlie Sanderson

Cc: Bennett, James; Pitman, Jimmy; Thomas, Kathy; Widmer, Myrna

Subject: FDOT Mast Arm Policy - Potential Project Impacts

Marlie:

As a follow up to the MTPO meeting of June 8, 2009, regarding FDOT District mast arm policy changes, please find information below that discusses potential projects in Alachua County/MTPO Boundary that would be impacted by the reiteration of the Department's mast arm policy.

During the June 8, MTPO meeting, James Bennett said that FDOT would provide MTPO members with a list of which forthcoming FDOT projects would be impacted by this policy. Please provide this information for the MTPO's August 10th Consent Agenda for information only.

There are no FDOT projects currently in design phase in the Gainesville/MTPO boundary that this policy would have a negative impact on.

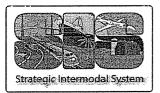
The projects reviewed were resurfacing, new construction or reconstruction. Only the Main Street resurfacing project, 207785-1, expected to be under construction by Fall 2009, addresses replacing signals with mast arms. These signals will be black mast arm design.

As stated in the Department's letter of May 5, 2009, any new projects initiated by the Department, local governments or private development will follow the adopted policy.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

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REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

Hosted by The Florida Department of Transportation

What is happening: Regional workshops are being held around the state to obtain public and partner input on the Strategic Intermodal System Strategic Plan update.

Why workshops are being held: The Florida Department of Transportation wants your comments and feedback on draft proposals for updating the Strategic Intermodal System Strategic Plan.

More information can be found online at: www.sisupdate.org or by contacting the person listed for each workshop location.

Tallahassee - Thursday, August 27
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Tallahassee FDOT Headquarters
Burns Building Auditorium
605 Suwannee Street
Contact: Huiwei Shen
850-414-4800
huiwei.shen@dot.state.fl.us

Tampa - Tuesday, September 1 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. FDOT District 7 Auditorium 11201 N. McKinley Drive Contact: Lori Snively 813-975-6405 lori.snively@dot.state.fl.us

Orlando - Wednesday, September 2 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Metroplan Orlando Board Room 315 East Robinson Street, Suite 355 Contact: John Zielinski 407-482-7868 john.zielinski@dot.state.fl.us

Fort Myers - Thursday, September 3
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Harborside Event Center
1375 Monroe Street
Contact: Trinity Caudill-Scott
239-461-4300
trinity.caudill-scott@dot.state.fl.us

Sebring - Friday, September 4
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Bert J. Harris Jr. Agricultural Center
4509 George Boulevard
Contact: Trinity Caudill-Scott
239-461-4300
trinity.caudill-scott@dot.state.fl.us

Palm City - Tuesday, September 8 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Cummings Library 2551 S.W. Matheson Avenue Contact: Terry Henley 954-717-2253 terry.henley@dot.state.fl.us Ft. Lauderdale - Wednesday, September 9
4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
FDOT District 4 Auditorium
3400 West Commercial Blvd.
Contact: Terry Henley
954-717-2253
terry.henley@dot.state.fl.us

Miami - Thursday, September 10 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. FDOT District 6 Auditorium 1000 N.W. 111 Avenue Contact: Kenneth Jeffries 305-470-6736 ken.jeffries@dot.state.fl.us

Milton - Monday, September 14 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. CDT Santa Rosa County Auditorium 4530 Old Bagdad Highway Contact: Jason Alderman 850-415-9566 jason.alderman@dot.state.fl.us

Marianna - Tuesday, September 15
4:00 - 7:00 p.m. CDT
Jackson County Agricultural Conference Center
2741 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 3
Contact: Jason Alderman
850-415-9566
jason.alderman@dot.state.fl.us

Gainesville - Thursday, September 17 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. State Materials Office 5007 N.E. 39th Avenue Contact: Dennis Lord Toll Free 800-749-2967, ext. 7520 Direct 386-961-7520 dennis.lord@dot.state.fl.us

Jacksonville - Tuesday, September 22 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. FDOT Urban Office Training Facility 2198 Edison Avenue Contact: Dennis Lord Toll Free 800-749-2967, ext. 7520 Direct 386-961-7520 dennis.lord@dot.state.fl.us

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the contact person listed at least seven days prior to the meeting.

2009 N.W. 67 PLACE, SUITE A, GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA 32653-1603 (352) 955-2200 SUNCOM 625-2200 FAX (352) 955-2209 July 31, 2009

TO:

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM:

Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT:

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)-

MTPO Project Priorities

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

No action required. This agenda item is for information only.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on February 17, 2009, the MTPO approved project priorities for projects to be funded using the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). These priorities are shown in Exhibits 1 and 2.

According to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the construction bids for these projects are coming in less that anticipated. Therefore, FDOT expects there to be additional project priorities that can be funded from Exhibits 1 and 2.

The purpose of this memorandum is to let the MTPO know that, if there are additional American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funds, MTPO staff has asked FDOT to continue to follow the MTPO adopted priorities in Exhibits 1 and 2. With respect to Exhibit 1, the next project to be funded is to continue to purchase transit vehicles in priority RTS1. This is because only \$3,461,000 of the \$20,000,000 in priority RTS1 has been funded (see Exhibit 1).

With respect to Exhibit 2, all of priorities 1 through 4 have been funded and \$692,296 of the \$5,000,000 in priority 5 is funded. Therefore, the next project to be funded in Exhibit 2 is the remaining \$4,307,704 in priority 5 (the purchase of transit vehicles).

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EXHIBIT 1

RTS Economic Stimulus Projects

Priority Number	Project Title	Requested Amount	Funded Amount
RTS1	Transit Vehicle Purchase	\$ 20,000,000	\$ 3,461,000
RTS2	Facility Expansion	\$ 30,000,000	
RTS3	Alternative Fuel Vehicle (Buses and Support Vehicles)	\$ 20,000,000	
RTS4	Intelligent Transportation System (ITS): Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) and Automated Passenger Counter (APC)	\$ 2,000,000	
RTS5	Shelter & Passenger Amenities	\$ 2,500,000	
RTS6	Scheduling Software	\$ 1,500,000	
RTS7	Transfer Stations	\$ 10,000,000	
RTS8	Multimodal Building	\$ 5,000,000	
RTS9	Bus Rapid Transit	\$ 30,000,000	31) har man
RTS10	Support Vehicles	\$ 2,000,000	
RTS11	Revenue Collection System	\$ 2,000,000	
	TOTAL	\$ 125,000,000	\$ 3,461,000

EXHIBIT 2

Proposed American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Projects MTPO Area Transportation Priorities (Includes Transit)

Priority	Project and Location	Description	Requested Amount	Funded Amount
1	W. 6 th Street Rail Trail From: Downtown Connector To: NW 16 Avenue (City Project)	Rail Trail construction.	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
2	N. Main Street From: NW 8 th Avenue To: NW 23 rd Avenue (County Project)	Mill and Resurface only.	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
3	NE 8 th Avenue From: Main Street To: East Boulevard (City Project)	Mill/Resurface and bring up to ADA standards.	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
4	NW 34 th Street From: NW 39 th Avenue To: US 441 (City Project)	Construct ADA- compliant concrete sidewalk on east side.	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
5	Transit Vehicles Purchase	Purchase Transit Vehicles.	\$5,000,000	\$ 692,296
6	Fort Clark Boulevard From: Newberry Road To: NW 23 rd Avenue	Mill and Resurface only.	\$2,000,000	
100	TOTAL		\$10,400,000	\$4,092,296



PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

Access Management Classification Changes

SR 26A (SW 2nd Avenue) from SR 26 split to SR 121 (SW 34th Street);

SR 26 (W. Newberry Road) from I-75 to NW 8th Avenue Alachua County, Florida

The Florida Department of Transportation will conduct a public hearing to discuss a change to the Access Management Classifications for the above referenced projects. This hearing will be held **September 14**, 2009, at the Hilton University of Florida Conference Center, 1714 SW 34th Street, Gainesville, Florida.

This public hearing to change the Access Management Classifications is an administrative action and does not include any new construction. The Access Management Classification is used to determine signal spacing, driveway spacing and median openings. This hearing is being conducted to inform the public of the classification change and afford the public the opportunity to provide comments.

Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. to allow you time to review and discuss the exhibits and have your questions answered by one of our staff. The formal portion of the public hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a brief presentation followed by an opportunity for public comment. It is the policy of the Florida Department of Transportation District Two to prohibit materials and/or exhibits in our public workshops, meetings and hearings that are not the property of the Department. Therefore, no outside party will be allowed to display or hand out materials in any of these events.

Those who wish to submit written statements may do so at the hearing or mail them to the address below no later than October 14, 2009. All comments received by this date will become part of the public hearing record.

All residents, property owners and interested persons or groups are invited to come and participate. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Mr. Barney Bennette at the number below at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing.

For more information please visit the Access Management website at http://www.dot.state.fl.us/planning/systems/sm/accman/ or contact:

Mr. Barney Bennette, P.E.

Florida Department of Transportation

1-800-749-2967

1109 S. Marion Avenue, MS 2014

or (386) 961-7878

Lake City, FL 32025-5874

barney.bennette@dot.state.fl.us



The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Aurison, Schooling

Mayor Richard J. Kaplan Chairman

Date:

June 15, 2009

To:

MPOAC Staff Directors

From:

Howard Glassman, Executive Director

Subject:

MPOAC Federal Authorization Principles

Enclosed for your use are 25 copies of the MPOAC's federal authorization principles which were adopted by the MPOAC Governing Board at its April 2, 2009 meeting. Also enclosed is a copy of the transmittal letter, which along with a copy of our principles, is being sent by Mayor Kaplan to all of Florida's U.S. Congressional Representatives, Senator Mel Martinez, Senator Bill Nelson, Governor Charlie Crist, President of the Senate Jeff Atwater, Speaker of the House Larry Cretul, and FDOT Secretary Stephanie Kopelousos. Under a separate letter we are also transmitting our authorization principles to AMPO and NARC.

Please feel free to modify and use the letter as you wish to distribute copies of the MPOAC's authorization principles. Thank you for participating in the development of these principles and your continued involvement in what could be a lengthy authorization process.

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Dear:

On behalf of Florida's twenty-six Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), I am pleased to send you the attached principles for the upcoming federal surface transportation authorization bill. These principles were adopted by the Florida MPO Advisory Council (MPOAC) at its April 2, 2009 meeting. As you consider the next transportation authorization bill, please keep the principles of the MPOAC in mind.

As the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) draws to a close we have reached a critical juncture in transportation policy. Congress can maintain the current top-down approach, which spreads too little money across too many policy goals, or Congress can choose to grant more authority and flexible resources directly to metropolitan areas, where transportation areas are responsible for 90% of America's Gross Domestic Product, but workers and trucks are frozen in gridlock. In 2006, Americans lost 38 hours to traffic congestion-nearly a full workweek of productivity. The MPOAC believes that the United states should focus more of our scarce transportation resources easing urban congestion and driving economic growth.

MPOs are working hard to plan and program transportation investment in our population and economic centers. Congress' support is needed to give MPOs the tools and resources they need to perform these important tasks effectively. MPOs are in an excellent position to guide transportation investments that will unclog our metropolitan areas and spur on the economy. The attached principles explain the position of Florida's MPOs as they relate to a national vision, MPO responsibilities, and transportation finance.

If you, or your staff have any questions, or if we can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact Howard Glassman, the MPOAC Executive Director at (850) 414-4062 or howard.glassman@mpoac.org.

Sincerely,

Mayor Richard J. Kaplan Chairman

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Federal Surface Transportation Authorization Principles

The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) represents the twenty-six MPOs in the State of Florida. The principles are intended to serve as policy guidance to members of Congress, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the MPOAC's partner organizations.

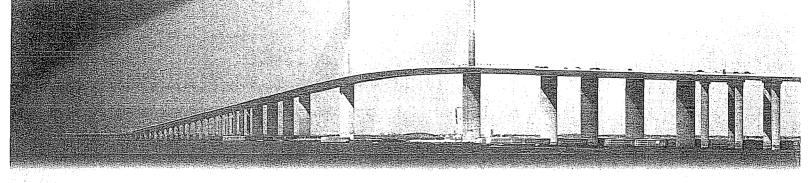
MPO Administration and Funding

- The MPOAC supports the designation of Metropolitan Mobility Authorities (MMA) to address issues unique to large urban areas including traffic congestion, public transit, and multimodal freight movement. MMAs would administer all appropriate federal program funds in metropolitan statistical areas larger than 500,000 people. The administrative structure of MMAs should be determined by the existing MPOs or group of MPOs that comprise the MMA area.
- The MPOAC supports raising the MPO designation threshold to 100,000 people and encourages newly designated urbanized areas to join with nearby MPOs.
- Federal planning and transit planning funds should be continued at levels that are no less than the pool derived under the system of takedowns and set-asides established under SAFETEA-LU.
- The MPOAC supports legislative language that shields federal Metropolitan Planning (PL) funds (or any successor program) from rescission budget reductions.

Roles, Responsibilities and Programs

- The MPOAC supports a continued strong Federal role in transportation policy and funding, with an emphasis on system preservation, safety, and metropolitan congestion. States should maintain their historic lead role in planning and programming for inter-regional movement of people and goods, while MPOs continue their traditional role as the primary planning and programming agency in metropolitan areas. Federal program funds should be allocated in a manner that advances the ability of states and MPOs to meet their responsibilities under these traditional roles.
- The '3-C metropolitan transportation planning process,' or any successor, should include a planning factor relating to energy conservation, emissions, and climate change.

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- The MPOAC supports the designation of a multi-modal National Freight Network. The network should be funded, in part, by a dedicated stream of fees and taxes on freight shipments and freight vehicles.
- The MPOAC believes that MPOs should be given advice and consent authority over toll projects and public/private partnerships in their metropolitan area.
- The MPOAC supports legislative language that mandates new rulemaking for metropolitan and statewide transportation planning within 18 months of the passage of new federal transportation authorization legislation.

Taxation and Finance

- The MPOAC endorses the consolidation of funding streams across FHWA/FTA from the current 108 programs to no more than 10. The resulting programs should increase funding flexibility within a multi-modal metropolitan transportation planning system.
- In an effort to insulate decision-making on transportation revenue increases from political pressure, the MPOAC endorses the creation of an Independent Transportation Revenue Adjustment Commission that is empowered to recommend transportation tax and fee rates to Congress.
- The MPOAC supports efforts to increase and index federal transportation revenue streams to, at a minimum, keep pace with inflation. The MPOAC also supports efforts

- to address future transportation funding needs through new and innovative mechanisms which could include a vehicle miles traveled based approach.
- The MPOAC supports legislative language that requires revenue generated from new tolls instituted on existing federal-aid facilities be directed toward congestion relief within that metropolitan area.
- The MPOAC supports innovative financing of infrastructure through public/private partnerships. In particular, the MPOAC endorses programs that enable public agencies to access private equity markets, such as State Infrastructure Banks, Private Activity Bonds, and Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act funds.
- The MPOAC supports additional movement towards minimizing donor state inequities.

For more information, please contact:

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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Transportation Improvement Program Amendment-

Commuter Transportation Assistance Grant and

Section 5317 New Freedom Grant

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Amend the Fiscal Years 2008/2009 - 2012/2013 Transportation Improvement Program in Fiscal Year 2008/2009 to add two Regional Transit System project grants:

1. Commuter Transportation Assistance [FIN #4247521]; and

2. Section 5317 New Freedom Small Urban Operating/Administrative Assistance [FIN #4252901].

BACKGROUND

The Regional Transit System has been awarded two grants. The Commuter Transportation Assistance project has been funded for \$149,000 using State funds. The Small Urban Operating/Administrative Assistance project has been funded for \$50,000 using Section 5317 New Freedom funds. Exhibit 1 is the draft Transportation Improvement Program cover page and amendment log. Since these projects are in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, they need to be included in the MTPO's Transportation Improvement Program in order to receive funds.

Project Timeline								
2008/2009	2012/2013							
Commuter Transportation Assistance								
\$100,000 DPTO								
Section 5317 New Freedom								
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FISCAL YEARS 2008/2009 - 2012/2013

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Approved by the

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) for the Gainesville Urbanized Area 2009 NW 67th Place, Suite A Gainesville, Florida 32653

Scherwi	n L.	Henry,	Chair

The preparation of this report has been financed in part through grants from the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, under the State Planning and Research Program, Section 505 [or Metropolitan Planning Program, Section 104(f)] of Title 23, U.S. Code. The contents of this report do not necessarily reflect the official views or policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

May 29, 2008
Amended July 17, 2008
Amended December 11, 2008
Amended February 17, 2009
Amended April 20, 2009
Amended June 8, 2009
Amended August 10, 2009

EXHIBIT III

TIP AMENDMENT LOG

TIP AMENDMENT			PROJECT DESCRIPTION						
NUMBER	APPROVAL DATE	PURPOSE	TIP TABLE	PROJECT LOCATION (FMN NUMBER)	TYPE WORK	PROJECT YEAR	PROJECT FUNDING [thousands]	FUND CODE TABLE 3	
08-1	07/17/08	Rollover	5	4068473	Transportation Hub Transit Improvement- Section 5309	08/09	\$298	FTA	
08-2	12/11/08	Delete	15	2113655	SW 62 nd Connector right-of-way [ROW] acquisition	08/09	\$952 \$4,888	S117 HPP	
		Add	8	2113655	SW 62 nd Connector Interim Projects construction	08/09	\$288 \$5,470	S117 HPP	
08-3	02/17/09	Advance	6	4262061	Construct W 6 th Street Rail/Trail using ARRA funds	08/09	\$9 \$1,000	SL FSSL	
		Add	14	4262071	Resurface NE 8 th Avenue using ARRA funds	08/09	\$3 \$300	SL FSSL	
		Add	12	4262081	Reconstruct NW 34 th Street Sidewalk using ARRA funds	08/09	\$9 \$1,000	DIH FSSL	
		Advance	14	4262281	Resurface N Main Street using ARRA funds	08/09	\$10 \$1,100	SL FSSL	
		Add	17	4263201	ARRA STP Flex Funding FTA 5307 Purchase Transit Vehicles	08/09	\$693	FTAT	
		Add	17	4263891	ARRA 5307 Purchase Transit Vehicles	08/09	\$3,461	FTA	
08-4	04/20/09	Add	12	4264051	Construct SW 8th Avenue Sidewalk using ARRA funds	08/09	\$110 \$1	FSSE SE	
08-5	06/08/09	Add	17	4267571	RTS purchase of transit vehicles with HR 1105 High Priority Project funding	08/09	\$475 \$119	FTA LF	
08-6	04/20/09	Add	17	4247521	RTS Commuter Transportation Assistance	08/09	\$100 \$49 \$149	DPTO DS LF	
		Add	17	4252901	Section 5317 New Freedom RTS Small Urban Operating/Administrative Assistance	08/09	\$50 \$50	DU LF	

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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments-Roll

Forward Projects

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Amend the Fiscal Years 2009/2010 - 2013/2014 Transportation Improvement Program to include the projects shown in Exhibit 1 in Fiscal Year 2009/2010.

BACKGROUND

The MTPO needs to approve a Transportation Improvement Program amendment for the projects listed in Exhibit 1. These projects include several American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funded projects and Regional Transit System (RTS) grant projects.

These projects were not obligated in Fiscal Year 2008/2009 as expected. Therefore, these project are being moved to Fiscal Year 2009/2010.

EXHIBIT 1

TIP AMENDMENT LOG

TIP AMENDMENT			PROJECT DESCRIPTION							
NUMBER	APPROVAL DATE	PURPOSE	TIP TABLE	PROJECT LOCATION (FMN NUMBER)	TYPE WORK	PROJECT YEAR	PROJECT FUNDING [thousands]	FUND CODE TABLE 3		
09-1	08/10/09	Rollover	9	2129498	I-75 interchange modification [@Newberry Road (SR 26)]	09/10	\$10 \$24	DIH NHAC		
			6	4262061	ARRA W 6 th Street Bike/Ped Trail [SE 2 nd Avenue to NW 16 th Avenue]	09/10	\$1,000 \$9	FSSL SL		
			14	4262071	ARRA NE 8 th Avenue Resurfacing [Main Street to NE Boulevard]	09/10	\$300 \$3	FSSL SL		
			12	4262081	ARRA NW 34 th Street (SR 121) Sidewalk [NW 39 th Avenue (SR 222) to US 441]	09/10	\$1,000 \$9	FSSL SL		
			14	4262281	ARRA Main Street Resurfacing [N 8th Avenue to N 16th Avenue]	09/10	\$1,100 \$10	FSSL SL		
			12	4264051	ARRA SW 8th Avenue Sidewalk [Tower Road to end/I-75]	09/10	\$110 \$1	FSSE SE		
			5	4068473	Section 5309 Transportation Hub [@Gainesville Regional Airport]	09/10	\$298	FTA		
			18	4242921	Section 5311 Rural Transit Funding- operating/administration assistance	09/10	\$208 \$208	DU LF		
			17	4243901	Section 5307 Small Transit Incentive Cities Allocation- fixed route capital	09/10	\$752 \$188	FTA LF		
			17	4263891	ARRA 5307 purchase of transit vehicles	09/10	\$3,201	FTA		
			17	4267571	RTS purchase of transit vehicles with HR 1105 High Priority Project funding	09/10	\$475 \$119	FTA LF		

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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project Development and

Environmental Study

JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and MTPO staff all recommend that the MTPO approve the proposed typical sections for Archer Road and SW 16th Avenue.

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board (B/PAB) recommends that the MTPO approve the typical section for SW 16th Avenue.

Note- the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board (BPAB) did not review the typical section for Archer Road.

BACKGROUND

Enclosed is a letter from the City of Gainesville consultant (Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.) for the Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project Development and Environmental Study. This letter states that the City is requesting MTPO Committee endorsement for the proposed typical sections.

Archer R	Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project Programmed Funds Timeline								
2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014					
\$7,000,000	-	-	-	-					



July 8, 2009

Mr. Mike Escalante Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) 2009 NW 67th Place, Suite A Gainesville, FL 32653

4431 Embarcadero Drive West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

SUBJECT: Archer Road (SR 24)/ SW 16th Avenue (SR 226)
Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study
City of Gainesville, Alachua County, Florida

Financial Project ID Number: 423608-1-22-01

Dear Mr. Escalante:

Transmitted herewith, please find the proposed typical sections for SW 16th Avenue from Archer Road to SW 13th Street and Archer Road from SW 16th Avenue to SW 13th Street. The City has asked us to make a presentation to the MTPO Committees to obtain their endorsement for these proposed typical sections.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Walter Grimsley at 561-494-0408 or email walter.grimsley@kimley-horn.com.

Sincerely,

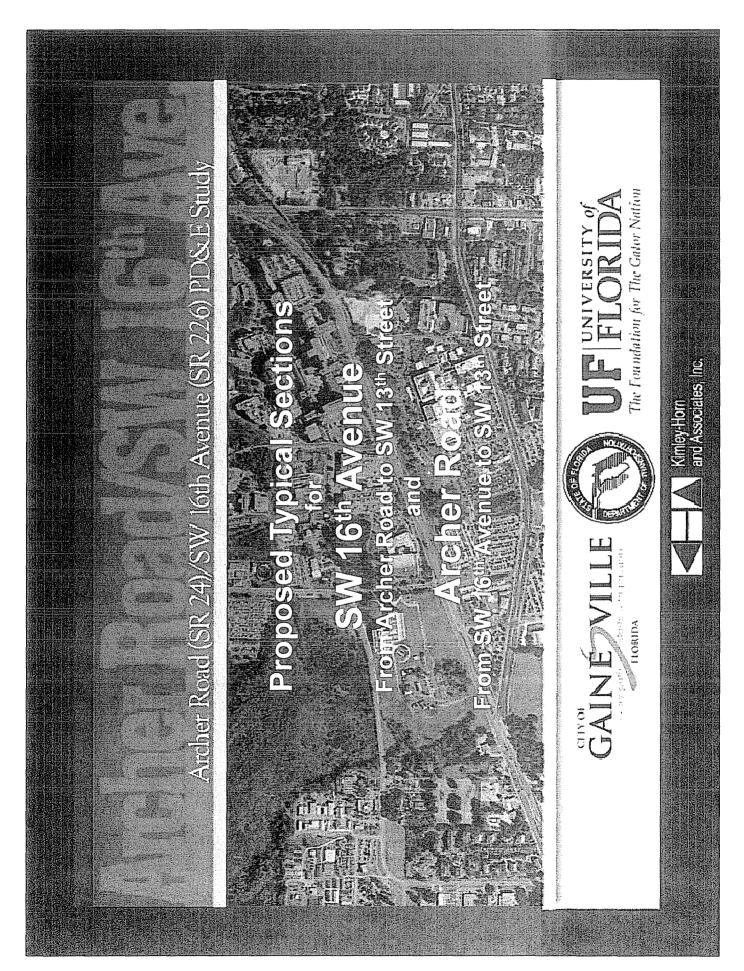
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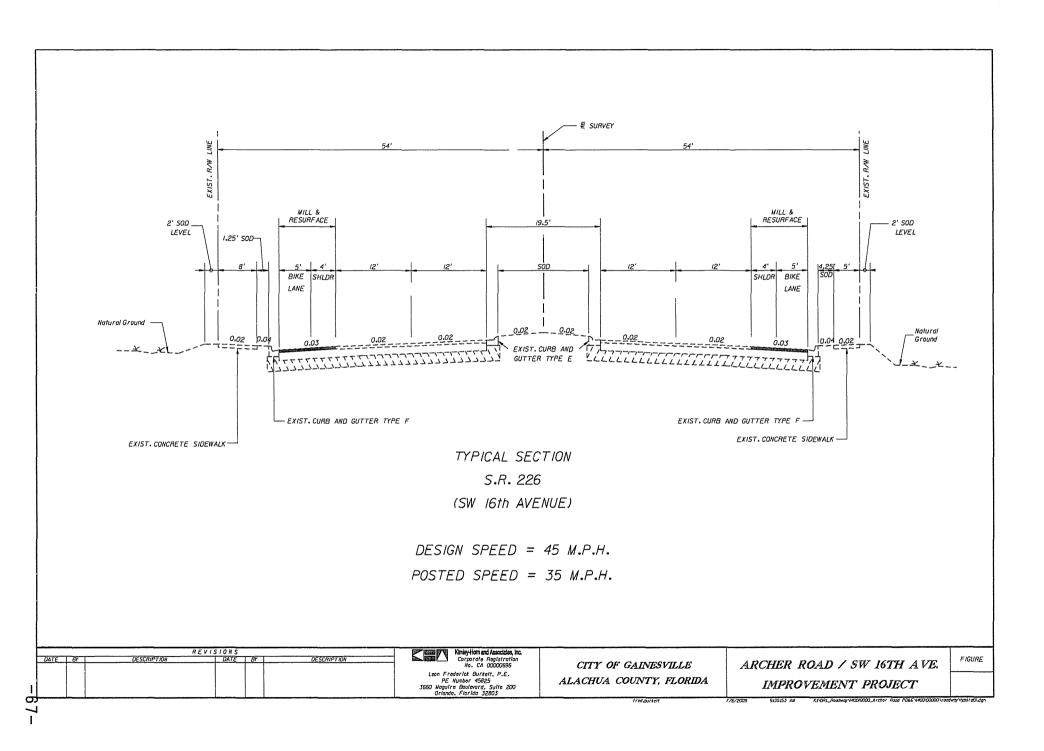
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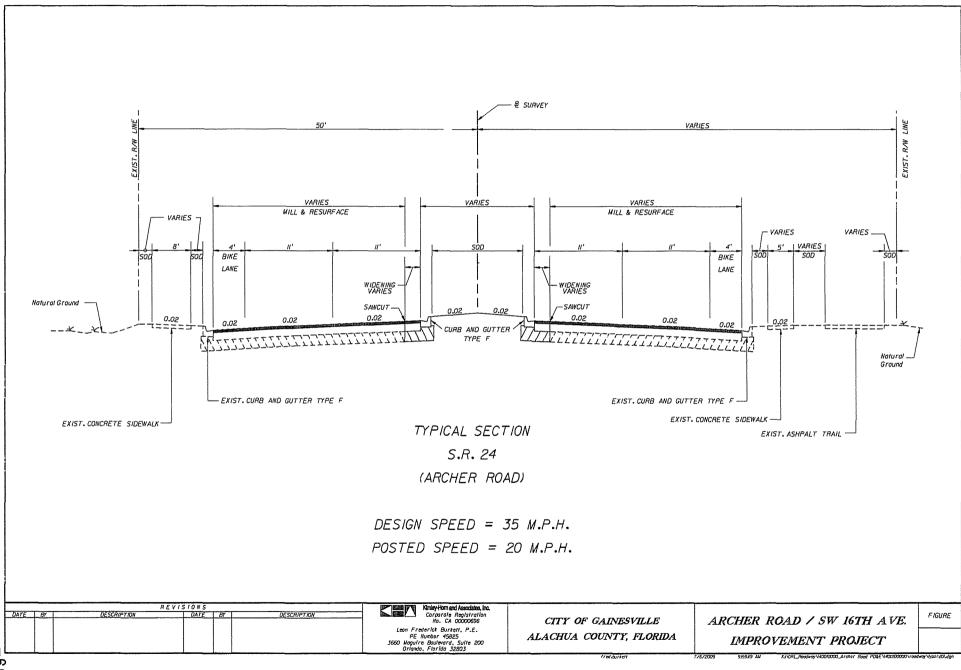
Project Manager

cc: Despina Veilleux (City of Gainesville)

Lisa Stewart (KHA)







August 10, 2009



Secretary Raymond H. LaHood U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20590

Subject: ARRA - TIGER Grant Application- SW 62nd Blvd Connector

Dear Secretary LaHood,

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) for the Gainesville Urbanized Area supports the City of Gainesville's SW 62nd Blvd Connector application for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant.

This project is consistent with the MTPO's Year 2025 Long Range Transportation Plan for the Gainesville, Florida Urbanized Area and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) objectives in that it will:

- 1. support the economic vitality and quality of life in the metropolitan area by improving accessibility and transportation mode choice;
- 2. expand the opportunity for job creation through enhanced access to developable lands; and
- 3. contribute to the preservation of the existing transportation network alleviating congestion and increasing safety on regional transportation routes.

Furthermore, this project is regionally significant and is included in the MTPO Transportation Improvement Plan, FY09. Portions of the project are federally funded through the SAFETEA-LU High Priority Project program.

For these reasons, the MTPO fully supports this project and respectfully requests your favorable consideration for the TIGER grant funding of the SW 62nd Blvd Connector.

Sincerely,

Scherwin L. Henry, Chair Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area



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..Title

Authorize an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Grant Application for Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) funding (NB)

This item is a request for the City Commission to authorize the submittal of a grant application for the Southwest 62nd Boulevard Connector for a Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) funding.

.. Explanation

On May 18, 2009, the U.S Department of Transportation published a notice of funding availability for TIGER Discretionary Grants. The ARRA of 2009 appropriated \$1.5 billion for capital investment in surface transportation infrastructure of which Florida can be awarded up to \$300 million.

The applications for funding will use grant selection criteria that focus on three major areas; long term outcomes, job creation and economic stimulus, and innovation. For long-term outcomes: priority will be given to projects that have a significant impact on desirable long-term outcomes for the Nation, a metropolitan area, or a region. The following types of long-term outcomes will be given priority:

- (i) State of Good Repair: Improving the condition of existing transportation facilities and systems, with particular emphasis on projects that minimize life-cycle costs.
- (ii) Economic Competitiveness: Contributing to the economic competitiveness of the United States over the medium- to long-term.
- (iii) Livability: Improving the quality of living and working environments and the experience for people in communities across the United States.
- (iv) Sustainability: Improving energy efficiency, reducing dependence on oil, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and benefitting the environment.
- (v) Safety: Improving the safety of U.S. transportation facilities and systems.

For Job Creation & Economic Stimulus: The project should demonstrate consistency with the purposes of the Recovery Act, the Department will give priority to projects that are expected to quickly create and preserve jobs and stimulate rapid increases in economic activity, particularly jobs and activity that benefit economically distressed areas. For Innovation: Priority will be given to projects that use innovative strategies to pursue the long-term outcomes outlined above.

Staff considered two pending transportation projects; Depot Avenue and SW 62 Boulevard for potential eligibility and determined that the Southwest 62nd Boulevard Connector (SW62) has the highest potential to be a competitive application and was the only project that met the minimum project cost threshold of \$20 million. SW 62 is a major project for the metropolitan

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area as well as the region in that it will connect two regional commercial retail destinations - the Oaks Mall and Butler Plaza. SW 62 will also serve as a local alternative route to several major regional transportation corridors - I-75, SR 121 and SR 24.

..Fiscal Note

Funding for the work effort required to complete the grant application is available in the Public Works FY 2009 budget.

..Recommended Motion

The City Commission: 1) authorize the submittal of the Southwest 62nd Boulevard Connector grant application; and 2) and should a grant offer be awarded, authorize the City Manager to execute all associated documents, subject to approval as to form and legality by the City Attorney.



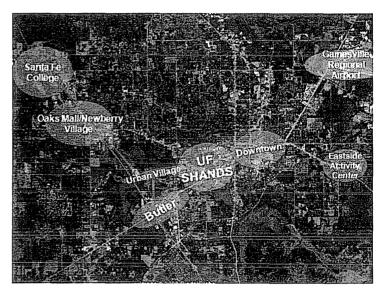
Rapid Transit for The Gainesville Urban Area

Alachua County is home to the City of Gainesville, the University of Florida and Santa Fe College. As the University and Santa Fe College have grown, so too have Gainesville and its surrounding suburban areas. Much of the historical development pattern of the area is typical of Florida communities and may safely be characterized as auto-oriented suburban sprawl. However, the State of Florida, Alachua County and Gainesville are working to change that direction.

Recent changes in Florida's growth management laws establish strong incentives for curtailing suburban sprawl by encouraging development within established urban service areas. Alachua County is in the process of establishing its own strong growth management policies that will facilitate urban mixed-use transit-oriented development within the area surrounding Gainesville. The City and County Commissions, sitting together as the area's Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) have for many years blocked the creation of any additional six lane or larger roadways and instead favored greater reliance upon public transportation and more appropriately scaled roadways. Today, the City of Gainesville is studying how best to implement a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system with its highly successful Regional Transit System

The critical link between land use patterns and transportation has now become so vital to the wellbeing of the community that major entities within the community have joined in an unprecedented way to promote increased reliance upon public transportation. Major for profit and not-for profit businesses and property owners have joined with Alachua County, the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System, University of Florida, Santa Fe College, in exploring how best to create the ideal rapid transit system; one that will connect ridership from the Eastside Activity Center and Gainesville Regional Airport to the University of Florida, Shands and the Santa Fe College main campus. Such a system would serve nearly all of the major employment centers in the Gainesville Urban area, providing superior access for education and employment for all residents of the area.

The time is right for creation of a rapid transit system that will forever alter development patterns within the region reducing dependency on the automobile and foreign oil and dramatically reducing the carbon footprint of our area's transportation system. Support of the MTPO is sought for a request for federal transportation funding in the amount of one hundred fifty million dollars to fund creation of an electric street car system that connects east and west Gainesville. An





opportunity to present this request to the MTPO on August 10th is requested.

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July 31, 2009

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Gainesville Regional Transit System- 2010-2019 Transit

Development Plan

JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and MTPO staff all recommend approval of the Gainesville Regional Transit System-2010-2019 Transit Development Plan.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Citizens Advisory Committee approved a motion to forward a comment to the MTPO that expansion of transit service should be a priority and that funding sources should be found.

BACKGROUND

The City of Gainesville is preparing a transit development plan for the Regional Transit System. Enclosed with this meeting packet are two documents- the *latest draft of the Gainesville Regional Transit System- 2010-2019 Transit Development Plan* and a Powerpoint presentation concerning this agenda item. In addition, the draft plan and presentation may be viewed on the MTPO website at:

http://ncfrpc.org/mtpo/FullPackets/MTPO/RTS_Draft_TDP_%20MTPO_Draft.pdf

and

http://ncfrpc.org/mtpo/FullPackets/MTPO/TDPshow4MTPO081009.pdf

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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: SW 20th Avenue-Scoping Plans

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Alternative 3 Cross-Section with one revision to include a substantial form of rumble strip separating the travel and bicycle lanes.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Alternative 3 Cross-Section with one revision to include the bike lane striping safety features recently installed on Millhopper Road west of NW 43rd street.

BACKGROUND

Enclosed is a report prepared by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) entitled <u>Draft Multimodal Corridor Report SW 20th Avenue from 43rd Street to 34th Street. This report contains Alternatives 1 and 2 (on pages 3-2 and 3-3) that were reviewed by the MTPO Advisory Committees last year. The Committees' recommendations after reviewing alternatives 1 and 2 in October 2008 are shown in Exhibit 1. Based upon those Committee recommendations, FDOT subsequently developed and added Alternative 3 (see page 3-4) to this report. These alternatives have been presented to the Committees for reconsideration. In addition, the draft plan and presentation may be viewed on the MTPO website at:</u>

http://ncfrpc.org/mtpo/FullPackets/SW20AveCorFDOTrpt nov08.pdf

November MTPO Meeting

In November, FDOT made a presentation to the MTPO concerning the SW 20th Avenue Corridor Planning Study. At this meeting, the MTPO made a motion to approve Alternative 3. Unfortunately, the MTPO did not have a quorum when it came time to vote. Since the November meeting, the MTPO has not had enough County Commissioners present at any MTPO meeting to be able to vote on this issue.

April MTPO meeting

In April, the MTPO requested that FDOT have appropriate staff present at the June 8, 2009 meeting to answer MTPO questions about the enclosed recommended Alternative 3 typical section. In particular, the MTPO wanted answers to the following two questions:

- 1. Was consideration given to moving the sidewalk to the outside of the right-of-way in order to increase the separation between pedestrians and the flow of traffic and to allow for additional landscaping? Yes, Alternative Two on page 3-3 locates the sidewalk on the outside portion of the right-of-way.
- 2. If so, what are the reasons why the sidewalk was not located on the outside? As shown on page 3-3, Alternative Two may require the construction of a large concrete drainage ditch in some locations. Alternative Three was developed based upon input from the City Commission, Alachua County Commission, MTPO Advisory Committees, and stakeholders, such as the Regional Transit System. Alternative Three improves upon the design in Alternative One by having a five foot planted strip between the curb and the sidewalk and this design does not contain the large concrete drainage ditch.

June MTPO meeting

In May, the MTPO received copies of the <u>Draft Multimodal Corridor Report SW 20th Avenue</u> from 43rd Street to 34th Street to include in the MTPO June 8, 2009 meeting packet. At its June meeting, the MTPO did not have enough Alachua County Commissioners present to vote on this agenda item. Therefore, this agenda item has been deferred to the next MTPO meeting.

August MTPO meeting

In June and July, the MTPO Advisory Committees reviewed the Scoping Plans to consider the new Alternative 3.

Funding

Unfortunately, funds are not currently programmed for this project by either the Florida Department of Transportation, local government (Alachua County or City of Gainesville) or the private sector. However, this project has a high priority (priority number three) in the MTPO's adopted long range transportation plan.

SW 20 th Avenue- Programmed Funds Timeline (NO FUNDS ARE PROGRAMMED)							
2008/2009	2009/2010	2010/2011	2011/2012	2012/2013			
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EXHIBIT 1

MTPO ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS- OCTOBER 2008

DESIGN TEAM RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see page 3-2 in the enclosed FDOT report entitled <u>Draft Multimodal Corridor Report</u>), considering the following elements in design as this project progresses:

- 1. amend the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road);
- 2. consider moving the sidewalk back to accommodate a planting strip where appropriate and applicable; and
- 3. consider reducing the "Smart Bus Bay" lanes to 11-foot.

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD COMMENDATIONS

Approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 2 Cross-Section (see page 3-3 in the enclosed FDOT report entitled <u>Draft Multimodal Corridor Report</u>), considering the following elements in design as this project progresses:

- 1. amend the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelane (similar to Millhopper Road); and
- 2. consider reducing the "Smart Bus Bay" lanes to 11-foot.

JOINT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see page 3-2 in the enclosed FDOT report entitled *Draft Multimodal Corridor Report*) with modifications to:

- 1. provide a wider sidewalk that can accommodate tree plantings;
- 2. consider accommodating stormwater in median swales; and
- 3. a typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road);

Note- the CAC and TAC do not recommend Alternative 2 because of the concrete drainage "trenches" with the double fencing.



Florida Department of Transportation

CHARLIE CRIST GOVERNOR 1109 South Marion Avenue Lake City, Florida 32025-5874 STEPHANIE C. KOPELOUSOS SECRETARY

June 29, 2009

Ms. Ha T. Ngyuen, P.E. Contract & Design Manager Alachua County Public Works P.O. Box 1188 Gainesville, FL 32602-1188

RE:

SW 20th Avenue Multi Modal Corridor Study FDOT Financial Project #211335-3-21-01

Final Report

Dear Ms. Ngyuen:

The Department is pleased to submit two (2) copies of the final SW 20th Avenue Multi Modal Corridor Study. This report was produced in coordination with Alachua County's Southwest 62nd Boulevard Connector alternatives study, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) adopted *Urban Village: Southwest 20th Avenue Transportation Design Proposal* and the *Urban Village Action Plan*, the *Year 2025 Livable Community Reinvestment Plan*, the current RTS Rapid Transit Study, the MTPO *Urban Design Policy Manual*, and the *AASHTO Policy on Geometric Design of Highways and Streets*.

Close coordination with the MTPO advisory committees and RTS were maintained throughout the study. Based on input from Alachua County, City of Gainesville, the MTPO advisory committees, Alachua County Emergency Services, and RTS staff three (3) conceptual alternatives are provided in the study. While details of the three (3) conceptual alternatives are outlined in graphic and text, a final recommended or preferred alternative is not included at this time. Further discussion of this study by Alachua County and the MTPO and committees may be needed to arrive at a preferred alternative that Alachua County can implement.

It has been a pleasure working with you and Alachua County on this project. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions, (386) 961-7873 or bill.henderson@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

William R. Henderson

District Two Planning and Environmental Manager

cc:

Stephen Browning, FDOT Project Manager Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist Rick Hedrick, Alachua County Public Works Director Dave Cerlanek, Assistant Alachua County Public Works Director Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

SCHEDULED 2009 MTPO AND COMMITTEE MEETING DATES AND TIMES

PLEASE NOTE: All of the dates and times shown in this table are subject to being changed during the year

MTPO MEETING MONTH	DESIGN TEAM [At 1:30 p.m.]	B/PAB [At 7:00 p.m.]	TAC [At 2:00 p.m.] CAC [At 7:00 p.m.]	MTPO MEETING
JANUARY	-	January 6	CANCELLED	CANCELLED
FEBRUARY	January 20	January 20	CANCELLED	February 17 at 6:00 p.m.
MARCH	CANCELLED	February 24	February 25	March 2 at 2:00 p.m.
APRIL	CANCELLED	March 31	CAC Orientation @ 6:30 pm April 1	April 20 at 6:00 p.m.
MAY	CANCELLED	April 28	TAC Only April 29	CANCELLED
JUNE	May 19	May 26	TAC @ NCFRPC May 27	June 8 at 6:00 p.m.
JULY	CANCELLED	June 30	CAC Only July 1	CANCELLED
AUGUST	CANCELLED	July 28	TAC @ NCFRPC July 29	August 10 at 3:00 p.m.
SEPTEMBER	August 18	September 1	September 2	September 14 at 3:00 p.m.
OCTOBER	September 15	September 29	September 30	October 12 at 3:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER	October 20	October 27	October 28	November 9 at 3:00 p.m.
DECEMBER	November 17	December 1	December 2	December 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Note, unless otherwise scheduled:

- 1. Shaded boxes indicate the months that we may be able to cancel MTPO meetings if agenda items do not require a meeting. Corresponding Advisory Committee meeting may also be cancelled;
- 2. Design Team meetings are conducted at the NCFRPC Charles F. Justice conference room;
- 3. TAC meetings are conducted at the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Administration general purpose meeting room;
- 4. CAC meetings are conducted in the Grace Knight conference room of the County Administration Building; and
- 5. MTPO meetings are conducted at the Jack Durrance Auditorium of the County Administration Building unless noted.

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