July 13, 2011

TO: Citizens and Technical Advisory Committees (CAC & TAC)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Meeting Announcement and Agenda

On Wednesday, July 20th, the TAC will meet at 2:00 p.m. in the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) General Purpose Meeting Room, 301 SE 4th Avenue. Also on Wednesday, July 20th, the CAC will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Grace Knight Conference Room, Alachua County Administration Building 12 SE 1st Street. Times shown on this agenda are for the CAC meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

7:00 p.m.
I. Introductions (if needed)*

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda
APPROVE AGENDA

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7:10 p.m.
III. Approval of Committee Minutes
APPROVE MINUTES

IV. Upcoming Meetings
FOR INFORMATION ONLY

A. Next MTPO meeting- August 1st at 3:00 p.m.
B. Next set of Committee Meetings- August 17th (if needed)

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7:20 p.m.
V. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
APPROVE AMENDMENT

The MTPO is being asked to approve one amendment to its adopted TIP for a $425,000 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Grant

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7:30 p.m.
VI. State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Loan
APPROVE APPLICATION

The City of Gainesville is applying for this $8.1 million loan to construct a portion of the Regional Transit System Administration, Operations and Maintenance Facility

Dedicated to improving the quality of life of the Region’s citizens, by coordinating growth management, protecting regional resources, promoting economic development and providing technical services to local governments.
MTPO staff will discuss several alternatives with the TAC concerning whether to update/revise, streamline or “sunset” this Manual

MTPO staff will give a status report concerning this bill

The following materials are for your information only and are not scheduled to be discussed unless otherwise requested:

A. CAC and TAC Attendance Records
B. Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan- Summary Brochure
C. W. 6th Street Crosswalks (FYI- for TAC only)

*No handout included with the enclosed agenda material.
CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Ha Nguyen, Alachua County Public Works Contracts & Design Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

I.     INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Nguyen noted that only TAC members and MTPO staff were present and skipped introductions.

II.   APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Robinson asked for approval of the agenda.

ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to approve the meeting agenda. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III.    APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the March 2, 2011 minutes are ready for approval.

ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to approve the March 2, 2011 TAC minutes. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.
IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 2nd at 5:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the TAC’s next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for May 18th.

V. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AMENDMENT

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has requested that the MTPO amend its UPWP to include a task for the Section 5339 Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis study. He said that Regional Transit System (RTS) staff has prepared a task draft. He discussed the amendment and answered questions.

ACTION: Debbie Leistner moved to recommend that the MTPO amend its UPWP to include Task 3.9 Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis Project. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested amendments to the Fiscal Year 2010/2011 - 2014/2015 TIP. He said that the projects included in this amendment include:

1. moving the NE 19 Place Sidewalk Project’s design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012;
2. adding Archer Braid Trail design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012; and
3. revising the Archer Road Rail/Trail limits to be from the City of Archer to SW 91 Street.

Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the TIP amendments and answered questions.

ACTION: Doug Robinson moved to recommend that the MTPO amend its Fiscal Years 2010/2011-2014/2015 Transportation Improvement Program to include the following revisions:

1. moving the NE 19 Place Sidewalk Project’s design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012;
2. adding Archer Braid Trail design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012; and
3. revising the Archer Road Rail/Trail limits to be from the City of Archer to SW 91 Street.

Steve Dopp seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the TIP is the most important document that is approved annually by the MTPO. He said that the TIP is a staged implementation program of transportation projects consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, with adopted comprehensive plans of Alachua County and the City of Gainesville. He added that, in order for Federal transportation funds to be spent in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, they must be approved by the MTPO and included in this report. He noted that this
year’s document authorizes about $20.4 million in Federal funds for projects within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area over the next fiscal year.

ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Fiscal Years 2011/2012-2015/2016 Transportation Improvement Program with corrections provided by review agencies. John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. DEPOT AVENUE TRAIL AND WALDO ROAD TRAIL CONNECTION

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO referred the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail-Waldo Road Rail/Trail connection to its advisory committees. He discussed several intersection option exhibits and answered questions.

Ms. Debbie Leistner, City of Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, discussed the City staff’s review of the intersection. She noted that the City’s Public Works Committee and the joint Alachua County-Gainesville Traffic Operations Team are reviewing the intersection.

Ms. Taulbee noted that raised medians are not typically part of a resurfacing project. She added that studies would need to be done for raised median installation.

Mr. Dekova Batey, Bicycle/Pedestrian Program Coordinator, discussed the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board’s concerns.

Chair Nguyen discussed her concern regarding the general description of the projects.

ACTION: Jeff Hays moved to recommend the following modifications to the intersection

1. approve the safety modifications in Exhibit 2 that are jointly recommended by the both Alachua County Traffic Safety Team and MTPO staff, with #3 revised to be “add additional ladder striping to crosswalks”;

2. forward the recommendations in Exhibit 3 to the Florida Department of Transportation requesting review comments; and

3. forward other intersection alternatives to City staff for evaluation.

Dean Mimms seconded; motion withdrawn.

Ms. Taulbee noted that the projects needed more specific descriptions and that additional study was necessary. She said that specific striping may require a maintenance agreement and placement in the List of Priority Projects.

ACTION: Doug Robinson moved to recommend that the MTPO:

1. approve the safety modifications in Exhibit 2 that are jointly recommended by the both Alachua County Traffic Safety Team and MTPO staff, with #3 revised to be “add additional ladder striping to crosswalks”;

2. forward the recommendations in Exhibit 3 to the Florida Department of Transportation requesting review comments; and

3. forward other intersection alternatives to City staff for evaluation.

Dean Mimms seconded; motion withdrawn.
2. forward, for review comments from the Florida Department of Transportation, the recommendations in:

   a. Exhibit 3;
   b. City of Gainesville Case 1: Cross at E. 10 Street;
   c. City of Gainesville Case 2: Cross at SE 2 Avenue; and
   d. City of Gainesville Case 3: Cross at SE 2 Avenue to E 15 Street; and

3. prepare additional feasibility and cost analysis studies.

   John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Date                                               Ha Nguyen, Chair
MINUTES
GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Grace Knight Conference Room
12 SE 1st Street
Gainesville, Florida

MEMBERS PRESENT
Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
Holly Blumenthal
Nelle Bullock
Blake Fletcher
Roderick Gonzalez
Chandler Otis
John Richter
James Samec
Holly Shema
Ruth Steiner
Ewen Thomson
Chris Towne

7:00 p.m. Wednesday
April 20, 2011

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to approve the meeting agenda. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Frentzen introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the meeting agenda.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, recommended approval of the agenda.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.
MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to approve the December 1, 2010 CAC minutes. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 2nd at 5:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the CAC’s next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for May 18th. He noted that the CAC does not meet as often as in the past. He added that it is still important to have the CAC members’ participation. He discussed the CAC advisory status to the City Commission and the County Commission. He also discussed the NW 16 Avenue resurfacing project and said he would contact County staff on the project’s status.

V. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) AMENDMENT

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Mr. Doug Robinson, RTS Chief Transit Planner, discussed Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis study task and answered questions.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO amend its UPWP to include Task 3.9 Bus Rapid Transit Alternatives Analysis Project. Rob Brinkman seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested amendments to the Fiscal Year 2010/2011 - 2014/2015 TIP. He said that the projects included in this amendment include:

1. moving the NE 19 Place Sidewalk Project’s design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012;
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Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the amendments and answered questions.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO amend its Fiscal Years 2010/2011-2014/2015 Transportation Improvement Program to include the following revisions:

1. moving the NE 19 Place Sidewalk Project’s design funding to fiscal year 2011/2012;
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James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.
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Ms. Holly Blumenthal declared a conflict of interest.

Mr. Jesus Gomez, RTS Director, and Mr. Robinson discussed the status of the maintenance facility expansion and transit service.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Fiscal Years 2011/2012-2015/2016 Transportation Improvement Program with corrections provided by review agencies. Rob Brinkman seconded; motion passed 12 to 0 with one abstention.

VIII. UNFUNDED PROJECT PRIORITIES

Mr. Sanderson stated that, each year, the MTPO develops priorities for unfunded projects. He said that these priorities are used by the Florida Department of Transportation to develop its Tentative Work Program. He added that this year’s draft List of Priority Projects includes projects from the recently adopted Year 2035 Livable Community Reinvestment Plan and from local agency recommendations. In order to accommodate RTS staff, he asked the CAC to consider the public transportation priorities first.

Mr. Robinson discussed Table 6- Public Transportation Priorities and answered questions.

Ms. Blumenthal declared a conflict of interest.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Table 6 Public Transportation Priorities. Rob Brinkman seconded; motion passed 12 to 0 with one abstention.

Mr. Sanderson and Ms. Taulbee discussed and answered questions regarding:

- Table 1A- Bicycle/Pedestrian Priorities- Enhancement Funds;
- Table 1B- Bicycle/Pedestrian Priorities- Alachua County-Maintained Facilities; and
- Table 1C- Bicycle/Pedestrian Priorities- City of Gainesville-Maintained Facilities.
- Table 2A- Capacity/Multimodal Priorities- State Highway System;
- Table 2B- Capacity/Multimodal Priorities- Alachua County-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 2C- Capacity/Multimodal Priorities- City of Gainesville-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 3- Intelligent Transportation System Priorities; and
- Table 4- Landscaping Priorities.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to send Table 4 Landscaping Priorities to the City Beautification Board so the Board could consider nonstate-funded landscaping on the State Highway System. James Samec seconded; motion passed 11 to 1 with one abstention.
Mr. Sanderson and Ms. Taulbee continued discussion and answered questions regarding:

- Table 5A - Project, Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Priorities;
- Table 5B - PD&E Study Priorities - Alachua County-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 5C - PD&E Study Priorities - City of Gainesville-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 7A - Right-Of-Way (ROW) Priorities - State Highway System;
- Table 7B - ROW Priorities - Alachua County-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 7C - ROW Priorities - City of Gainesville-Maintained Facilities;
- Table 8 - Safe Routes to School Priorities;
- Table 9 - Safety Priorities;
- Table 10 - Strategic Intermodal System Priorities; and
- Table 11 - Surface Transportation Program (STP) Fund Priorities;
- Table 12A - Traffic Operations Priorities - State Highway System;
- Table 12B - Traffic Operations Priorities - Local Facilities; and
- Table 13 - Transit Corridor Development Priorities.

Mr. Sanderson continued his presentation regarding:

- Table 14 - Transportation Disadvantaged Priorities - Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund;
- Table 15 - Transportation Disadvantaged Priorities - Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Capital Funding/Equipment Program;
- Table 16 - Transportation Disadvantaged Priorities - Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Programs;
- Table 17 - Transportation Disadvantaged Priorities - Federal Transit Administration Section 5316 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program;
- Table 18 - Transportation Disadvantaged Priorities - Federal Transit Administration Section 5317 New Freedom Program; and
- Table 19 - Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) Priorities.

Mr. Blake Fletcher declared a conflict of interest. He noted that one of the right-of-way priorities included property that he owned.

**ACTION:** Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the List of Priority Projects, Except Table 9 - Safety Priorities. Rob Brinkman seconded; motion passed 10 to 1 with two abstentions.

**IX. DEPOT AVENUE TRAIL AND WALDO ROAD TRAIL CONNECTION**

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO referred the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail-Waldo Road Rail/Trail connection to its advisory committees.

Mr. Wesley Macleod and Mr. Brad Weitekamp, University of Florida graduate students discussed their study and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson presented the MTPO staff recommendations.

Mr. Ewen Thomson discussed his recommendation and answered questions.
ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO:

1. approve the jointly recommended bicycle/pedestrian safety modifications in Exhibit 2 and include them in the document entitled *List of Project Priorities as priority #2 in Table 9- Safety Priorities*;

2. forward the crossing concepts in Exhibit 3 and cases 1, 2 and 3 in Exhibit 5 to the Florida Department of Transportation requesting review comments.

Rob Brinkman seconded; motion passed unanimously.

X. COMMITTEE OFFICER ELECTIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that it was time to elect new CAC officers. He said that currently Jan Frentzen was the Chair and Rob Brinkman was the Vice Chair.

ACTION: Ewen Thomson moved to nominate Jan Frentzen as Chair. Ruth Steiner moved to close the nominations.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to elect Jan Frentzen as Chair. Blake Fletcher seconded; motion passed 12 to 1.

ACTION: Ewen Thomson moved to nominate Rob Brinkman as Vice Chair. Nelle Bullock moved to close the nominations.

ACTION: Ruth Steiner moved to elect Rob Brinkman as Vice Chair. Blake Fletcher seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

__________________________________________  __________________________
Date                                               Jan Frentzen, Chair
FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME  FIRST NAME  MIDDLE NAME
Blumenthal  Holly  Anne

MAILING ADDRESS
412 SW 8 4TH ST
Gainesville  Alachua

DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED
4/20/2011

NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE
CAC  UTPD

THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF:

□ CITY  □ COUNTY  □ OTHER LOCAL AGENCY

NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION:
MTPO

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ELECTED OFFICERS:

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PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN by publicly stating to the assembly the nature of your interest in the measure on which you are abstaining from voting; and

WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE VOTE OCCURS by completing and filing this form with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

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APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)

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DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST

Holly Blumenthal hereby disclose that on 4/20/2011:

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one)

- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, ___________________
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, _____________________________
- inured to the special gain or loss of Sunco Health Care, Newberry Village, PREIT, by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of ________________________________________ which is the parent organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting interest in the measure is as follows:

The measure was a vote on the list of priority projects. I work for C. David Coffey PA. who is retained as counsel for Santa Fe Health Care, the Reminiscence Real Estate Trust, and the owners of Newberry Village. There is arguably special gain for them at approval of the BET projects to receive funding, since they are most likely to develop plans that will rely on availability of development plans that the gain is too remote or speculative.

Date Filed 4/26/2011
Signature

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LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME
Blumenthal Holly Anne

MAILING ADDRESS
4127 SW 84th St

CITY
Covington

COUNTY
Kentucky

DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED
4/20/2011

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- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative,

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting Interest in the measure is as follows:

The measure was a vote on the Transportation Improvement Program. I work for C·David Coffey P.A., who is retained by the above named client, there is arguably a special gain for them by approval of the BRT project to receive funding for the facilities they are moving forward with development plans that will rely on availability of BRT.

4/20/2021
Date Filed

Signature

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APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)

- A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency.
- The form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

IF YOU MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION EXCEPT BY DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:

- You must disclose orally the nature of your conflict in the measure before participating.
- You must complete the form and file it within 15 days after the vote occurs with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who must incorporate the form in the minutes. A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency, and the form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER’S INTEREST

I, GW. Blake Fletcher, hereby disclose that on April 20, 2011:

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one)

- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, ________________;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, George & Gloria Fletcher, by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of ________________, which is the parent organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting interest in the measure is as follows:

I’m a minority owner, along with other family members, in a piece of property at SW 52nd & SW 20th Ave.

4/20/11
Date Filed

Signature

NOTICE: UNDER PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTES §112.317, A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED $10,000.
### SCHEDULED 2011 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.

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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 and corresponding Advisory Committee meeting may also be cancelled.
2. TAC meetings are conducted at the Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU) Administration general purpose meeting room.
3. CAC meetings are conducted in the Grace Knight conference room of the County Administration Building; and
4. MTPO meetings are conducted at the Jack Durrance Auditorium of the County Administration Building unless noted.

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July 13, 2011

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment- Bus Rapid Transit

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Amend Table 17 in the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 - 2014/2015 TIP to include the $425,000 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Alternatives Analysis project (FIN # 4285914) in fiscal year 2011/2012.

BACKGROUND

The Regional Transit System (RTS) has been awarded a $425,000 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Grant to conduct a BRT Alternatives Analysis study for the corridor from Santa Fe College area to the Gainesville Regional Airport (see Illustration 1). In order for RTS to receive these federal funds, the MTPO needs to amend its TIP as discussed in the above recommendation.
ILLUSTRATION 1

SANTA FE TO AIRPORT
BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)
ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

Source: Conceptual Rapid Bus Transit System Plan,
Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan

Legend

- Bus Rapid Transit
- Gainesville Metropolitan Area Boundary
July 7, 2011

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)
FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning
SUBJECT: State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) Loan

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the MTPO approve the enclosed application.

BACKGROUND

The City of Gainesville is applying for a $8.1 million State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan to construct a portion of the Regional Transit System Administration, Operations and Maintenance Facility (see Exhibit 1). The funding source to repay this loan is Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. The loan repayment is scheduled to begin October 1, 2014.

The MTPO adopted STP priorities in the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Cost Feasible Plan (see enclosed Exhibit 2). According to the enclosed Exhibit 3, MTPO priorities one and two are funded. We are currently working with Florida Department of Transportation District 2 staff to determine if priorities three and four are funded, and if so, in what fiscal year. This information will indicate if the proposed loan repayment schedule (starting in 2014) is possible.
I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date August 1, 2011

Project Sponsor/Borrower City of Gainesville

Prepared By City of Gainesville Regional Transit System

Located in FDOT District/Enterprise 2

Applicant Regional Transit System (RTS)

Contact Person Jesus Gomez, Transit Director/ Doug Robinson, Chief Transit Planner

Mailing Address:

Street Address 100 SE 10th Avenue
City Gainesville State FL Zip 32602

Phone (352) 393-7852 FAX (352) 334-2607

E-mail gomezjm@cityofgainesville.org

Borrower Fiscal Year Ends September

Project Sponsor/Borrower’s audited financial statements or opinions available? ☑ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Project Sponsor/Borrower’s Financial Stability

(See City of Gainesville Financial Report at:
http://www.cityofgainesville.org/GOVERNMENT/CityDepartmentsAM/BudgetFinance/
FinancialOperatingPlan/tabid/186/Default.aspx )

II. PROJECT CHARACTERISTICS

Name of Project RTS Administration, Operations and Maintenance Facility

Location (city, county, or termini) City of Gainesville, Alachua County

Is this project eligible to receive federal funds? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Is the project part of the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS)? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Is the project part of the Emerging Strategic Intermodal System (SIS)? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Is the project eligible for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP)? ☑ Yes ☐ No

Brief Narrative Description of Project (include milepost if applicable)

This project would be completed in four phases. Phase 1 includes construction of a new maintenance facility to maintain and store at least 100 buses. Phase II provides capacity for 50 additional buses. Phases III and VI would allow RTS to fulfill the goals and objectives of the MPO’s adopted Long Range Transportation Plan. In total, this project includes building 17 bus maintenance bays, three articulated bus maintenance bays, 31,000 gross square feet of maintenance support area, a body shop, three bus service lanes, bio-diesel storage tanks, an integrated operations facility, parking for 230 buses, and a new administration/operations building.

Maturity of Project

Project currently is on Design-Build selection process
Ownership of Project
The new facility project will be managed by a Construction Project Manager from the City of Gainesville General Services Administration with assistance from the RTS Maintenance Manager. The facility would be owned by the City of Gainesville.

Project Benefits
The new RTS Operations, Administration and Maintenance Facility will bring numerous benefits, including the creation of new jobs; ability to maintain articulated buses; centralized parts storage; and larger capacity to store more parts on site, allowing for quicker repairs and less downtime due to insufficient parts availability. The new Maintenance Facility will also include a body shop, allowing RTS to carry out any necessary bodywork on site and decrease vehicle repair time. Lastly, RTS will have the capacity to expand services for more than a decade.

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<th>Estimated Project Start Date</th>
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<td>Estimated Completion Date</td>
<td>September 2014</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Project Costs</td>
<td>$50,000,000 (All Phases)</td>
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Has project sponsor/borrower secured a loan from the SIB before? Yes ☑ No ☐
Are there any factors that may cause project not to be completed? Yes ☐ No ☑
If yes, please describe ____________________________________________________________

III. FUNDING SOURCES
(Note: These entries should sum to the estimated total project cost)

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<th>Requested SIB Loan Amount</th>
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<td>Estimated Total Project Cost</td>
<td>$21,815,319 (Phase I and part of Phase II)</td>
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IF BONDS (OR OTHER DEBT INSTRUMENT) WILL BE USED TO HELP FINANCE THIS PROJECT, PLEASE SPECIFY:

| Anticipated Date of Bond Sale | ________________ | X N/A |
| Type of Bond (G.O., Revenue)  | Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds |
| Tax-Exempt (yes, no)          | ☑ Yes ☐ No |
| Issuer                        | FDOT |
IV. LOAN CHARACTERISTICS

Requested SIB Loan Amount $8,100,000
Interest Rate 0 %
Term 11 years

Draw-down Schedule

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Estimated Loan Repayment Schedule:

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Projects with a higher present value of repayments, having the most secure sources of funding to repay loan, a higher level of financial feasibility and have financial safeguards as back-up sources to complete project and ensure loan will be repaid fare better during the financial and risk assessment analysis.

If local fees, taxes and/or general revenue dollars are pledged to repay loan, an adopted resolution executed by the board of county commissioners will need to be in place committing the revenues for repayment of loan if awarded.

Primary Repayment Source
Secondary Repayment Source or Alternative Backstop

Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funds
FTA Section 5309, FTA Section 5307

Purpose of Loan
The accelerate the construction of a new Transit Operations, Administration and Maintenance Facility.
Lien Position

Are there any factors that may cause loan not to be repaid?  

- Yes  

- No

If yes, please describe

Are there any traffic and revenue risks associated with this project?  

- Yes  

- No

If yes, please describe

V. REPAYMENT PLEDGE

If the repayment source pledged to repay the loan has been rated, please complete:

- N/A

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Issuer Minimum Coverage Ratio

Source of Revenue for Servicing Debt

Maturity(ies)

Other Information (e.g. insurance or other credit enhancement? Interaction with SIB loan?)

The City of Gainesville Regional Transit System received in 1999 a SIB loan for bus purchase. Project and payment were completed as scheduled.
Benefits of SIB Assistance
Select multiple items and response if appropriate.

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- Improved Accessibility of Other Debt Financing
- Improved Affordability of Other Debt Financing

Other Comments
# EXHIBIT 2

## TABLE 3

### YEAR 2035 TRANSIT COST FEASIBLE PLAN

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### Surface Transportation Program (Cost Feasible Plan Revenues = $36.1 million)

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) PROJECTS
IN THE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) PROJECTS
PRIORITIES IN THE YEAR 2035 COST FEASIBLE PLAN

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July 7, 2011

TO:       MTPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
FROM:     Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning
SUBJECT: MTPO Urban Design Policy Manual

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the MTPO discuss the issues and alternatives discussed below and give MTPO staff policy direction concerning the Urban Design Policy Manual.

BACKGROUND

Over the years, the MTPO has adopted urban design/planning policies for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area. The original purpose of these policies was to establish design standards that would be consistently applied in both the City of Gainesville and unincorporated portions of Alachua County. For example, one adopted policy is to require mast arm traffic signals that are painted black with horizontal signal heads. Since December 2000, these design/planning policies have been incorporated into the enclosed document entitled Urban Design Policy Manual.

A review of this Manual indicates that some of the policies are not consistent with current policies of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), City of Gainesville and/or Alachua County. For example, FDOT's current policy is to only install strain pole traffic signals, unless the City of Gainesville or Alachua County agree to provide the funds for the additional cost of mast arm installation (estimated to be about $250,000 per intersection). In addition, FDOT will only paint the mast arms black if the City or County execute a Paint Maintenance Agreement to maintain the painting should a paint failure occur.

Listed below are several alternatives for the MTPO to consider concerning how to proceed with this issue:

- **Alternative 1:** revise/update the current policies in the Manual as needed.
- **Alternative 2:** streamline the Manual to only include a limited number of the most important design issues.
- **Alternative 3:** “sunset” the Manual (which will abolish/repeal all of the policies contained in the Manual).
July 25, 2011

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO)
FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning
SUBJECT: Federal Transportation Authorization Bill

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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

BACKGROUND

It is anticipated that soon, Congress will release draft legislation for the next Federal Transportation Authorization Bill. One proposal currently being discussed would eliminate MPOs with populations that are less than 200,000 (the latest estimate of the population in the MTPO area is approximately 181,000).

A member of the MTPO has requested information concerning “the consequences of not having the MTPO.” Listed below are the consequences that have been identified by MTPO staff if the MTPO was eliminated for the Gainesville Urbanized Area.

Approval of Projects Using Federal and State Transportation Funds

The City of Gainesville Commission and Alachua County Commission will be removed from the decision-making process to approve federally-funded and state-funded transportation projects. As a result, federal and/or state funds could be used to construct a transportation project that is not supported by the City of Gainesville and/or Alachua County. For example, federal and/or state funds could be used to widen an intersection by adding a right-turn lane adjacent to an elementary school, even if the City or County is not in favor of widening this intersection.

Section 339.175 (4)(8) I., Florida Statutes states that “The transportation improvement program must, at a minimum ... include projects and project phases to be funded with state and federal funds within the time period of the transportation improvement program and which are recommended for advancement during the next fiscal year and 4 subsequent fiscal years.”
Project Selection

The City of Gainesville will not formally participate in the annual transportation project selection process with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). FDOT would only formally consult with the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners. However, the Board of County Commissioners would not have the authority to approve or disapprove federally-funded and state-funded transportation projects.

Section 339.135 (4) (c) 1., Florida Statutes states that “the board of county commissioners shall serve as the metropolitan planning organization for those counties that are not located in a metropolitan planning organization.

Formal Transportation Planning Process

There will not be a formal process to develop transportation plans and programs for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area [Section 339.175 (1), Florida Statutes].

The Gainesville Metropolitan Area will not have an updated long range transportation plan that is jointly prepared by Alachua County and the City of Gainesville, with input from the University of Florida, the MTPO Rural Advisory and MTPO Advisory Committees.

The Florida Department of Transportation will select projects for implementation without the benefit of an updated long range transportation plan for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area.

The Florida Department of Transportation will not receive a list of project priorities each year that has been jointly developed by the City of Gainesville Commission and Alachua County Board of County Commissioners.

Participation in the Planning Process

The University of Florida will not formally participate in the transportation planning process for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area.

Forum for Cooperative Decision-making

A federally-mandated forum for open discussion of transportation issues and cooperative decision-making across jurisdictional boundaries by local elected officials, state officials, public agencies, transportation operators and citizens will no longer exist.
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**LEGEND KEY - P = Present A = Absent * = New Member**

* City of Gainesville Level of Service (LOS) Subcommittee Member; ** LOS Subcommittee Alternate only.
^ Santa Fe College representative currently is a non-voting position.

Attendance Rule:
1. Each voting member of the TAC may name one (1) or more alternates who may vote only in the absence of that member on a one vote per member basis.
2. Each member of the TAC is expected to demonstrate his or her interest in the TAC's activities through attendance of the scheduled meetings, except for reasons of an unavoidable nature. In each instance of an unavoidable absence, the absent member should ensure that one of his or her alternates attends. No more than three (3) consecutive absences will be allowed by the member. The TAC shall deal with consistent absences and is empowered to recommend corrective action for MTPO consideration.
ATTENDANCE RULE

Any appointee of the MTPO to the CAC shall be automatically removed from the committee upon filing with the Chairman of the MTPO appropriate proof that such person has had three (3) or more consecutive unexcused absences, or that the overall attendance record of any such person (including excused and unexcused absences) is less than 66-2/3% for any six (6) month consecutive period or less than 66-2/3% for six (6) consecutive meetings if meetings are not held each month, whichever is longer. Excused absences are here defined to be those absences which occur from regular or special meetings after notification by such person to the Chairman prior to such absence explaining the reasons therefore. All other absences are here defined to be unexcused.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

1. On October 30, 1985, staff asked the CAC to clarify the procedures staff should use to record attendance at CAC meetings. The CAC instructed staff to use the following procedures:
   a. all CAC meetings will require mandatory attendance by all members; and
   b. attendance is recorded at all CAC meetings, even if a quorum is not present.

2. On April 28, 1999, the CAC decided to limit attendance by teleconferencing to medical emergencies only.

3. Members denoted in BOLD ITALICS are at risk for attendance rule violation if the next meeting is missed.
July 13, 2011

TO: Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)

FROM: Marlie Sanderson, AICP, Director of Transportation Planning

SUBJECT: Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update- Final Report

MTPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

We have received the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update- Final Report and seven Technical Reports from our consultant, Renaissance Planning Group. These documents have been placed on the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) Long Range Transportation Plan webpage, as shown in Exhibit 1 and at the following link.

http://ncfrpc.org/mtpo/LRTP.html

In addition, please find enclosed a copy of the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update brochure.

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Long Range Transportation Plan

Gainesville Year 2035 Long-Range Transportation Plan Update

Final Report
Summary Report
Summary Brochure

Year 2035 LRTP Technical Reports

1. Public Involvement
2. Data Collection, Mapping and Data Development
3. Final Data Development and Review
4. Model Update and Validation
5. 2035 Needs Plan - Development, Evaluation & Selection
6. Needs Plan - Preliminary & Constrained
7. Cost Feasible Plan

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Last Update: July 5, 2011
Marlie,

We had discussion recently at the TAC regarding providing high emphasis crosswalks. Please note the local agency program project below, which is in the design stage, City of Gainesville.

**Financial Project Id:** 211363-2-58-01  
**Financial Project Description:** W.6TH ST. RAIL CORR. FR: SW 2ND AVE. TO NW 10TH AVE

This project is in the design stage as a LAP project with the City of Gainesville. The comment for high emphasis crosswalks on the plan sheet is:

*The high emphasis crosswalks will be located at SR 20 (NW6th) and SR 26. They will be thermoplastic and will be meet the requirements of Index 17346.*

Thank you!

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