

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

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
March 3, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
Harvey Budd
Nelle Bullock
Tom Collett
George Blake Fletcher
Seth Lane
Chandler Otis
Valerie Rosenkrantz
James Samec
Ruth Steiner
Gary Weed

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Ann DeMatas
Sharon Hawkey
Ewen Thomson

OTHERS PRESENT

Holly Blumenthal
Jennifer Carver
Rod Gonzalez
Rob Gregg
Doreen Joyner-Howard
Jordan Long
Sean McLendon
Bill Morris
Lauri Newsom
Joel Rey
Doug Robinson
Karen Taulbee

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Mike Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:03 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 meeting agenda amended to delete item VII. Revenue Forecasts. He said that the revenue forecast should be discussed after the transportation network alternatives have been tested.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to approve the meeting agenda. Harvey Budd seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to approve the December 2, 2009 CAC minutes. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for March 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the CAC's next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for April 21st.

V. GAINESVILLE REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM (RTS) RAPID TRANSIT STUDY

Mr. Sanderson stated that RTS' consultant was prepared to discuss the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Feasibility Study.

Mr. Rob Gregg, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) Transit Management Program Director, Mr. Bill Morris, CUTR Senior Research Associate, and Mr. Doug Robinson, RTS Chief Transit Planner, discussed the BRT Study and answered questions.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Gainesville Regional Transit System Rapid Transit Study. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE (LRTP)

A. EXISTING PLUS COMMITTED (E+C) ASSIGNMENT RESULTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO's consultant was prepared to discuss the E+C highway and transit assignment results.

Ms. Jennifer Carver, Renaissance Planning Group (RPG) Project Manager, discuss the E+C highway and transit assignment results and answered questions.

B. WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Ms. Carver discussed the findings from the February 16th LRTP workshop and answered questions.

C. THREE RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE NETWORKS

Ms. Carver reviewed the three recommended alternative networks-findings from the workshop. She discussed the recommended Alternative 1- Transit Emphasis Network and answered questions. She and Mr. Sanderson noted the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)-recommended revisions.

ACTION: Valerie Rosenkrantz moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Alternative 1- Transit Emphasis Network with the following revisions:

- 1. modify the Butler Plaza area to show the latest proposal;**
- 2. add BRT on Tower Road;**
- 3. add NW 23rd Avenue as a 4-lane facility from NW 98th Street to NW 51st Street;**
- 4. add NW 34th Street turnlane project;**
- 5. add NW 83rd Street extension;**
- 6. delete the planned express bus routes on Newberry Road and Waldo Road that overlap BRT; and**
- 7. delete the NW 170th Street 2-lane project.**

James Samec seconded motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Carver discussed the recommended Alternative 2- Highway Emphasis Network and answered questions. She and Mr. Sanderson noted the TAC-recommended revisions.

ACTION: Harvey Budd moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Alternative 2- Highway Emphasis Network with the following revisions:

- 1. modify the Butler Plaza area to show the latest proposal;**
- 2. add the SW 47th Avenue extension to Williston Road;**
- 3. add the NW 34th Street 4-laning from NW 23rd Street to NW 67th Place;**
- 4. delete the Sheriff's Road;**
- 5. delete the SW 34th Street/Archer Road overpass;**
- 6. delete express bus service to Waldo and Hawthorne;**
- 7. add the SW 45th Street/SW 30th Avenue overpass;**

8. add Archer Road 4-laning from the City of Archer to Tower Road;
9. modify NW 23rd Avenue 4-laning to NW 57th Terrace; and
10. add the Tower Road roundabouts.

John Gifford seconded motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Carver discussed the recommended Alternative 3- Streetcar/BRT Emphasis Network and answered questions. She and Mr. Sanderson noted the TAC-recommended revisions.

ACTION: Valerie Rosenkrantz moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Alternative 3- Streetcar/BRT Emphasis Network with the following revisions:

1. add 15-minute frequency transit service to NW 39th Avenue from the SpringHills area to the airport;
2. modify the network to show the Urban Village/Butler Plaza proposal;
3. move the streetcar from SW 34th Street to SW 38th Terrace;
4. add express bus service on Hawthorne Road and Waldo Road to connect to BRT service; and
5. stop express bus service on Newberry Road at the BRT service terminus.

Ron Fuller seconded motion passed unanimously.

D. PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Ms. Carver discussed proposed LRTP performance measures and answered questions.

IX. COMMITTEE OFFICER ELECTIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that it was time to select committee officers. He said that Jan Frentzen is the CAC Chair and Rob Brinkman is the CAC Vice Chair.

ACTION: Harvey Budd moved to reappoint Jan Frentzen as CAC Chair and Rob Brinkman as CAC Vice Chair. James Samec seconded; motion passed 10 to 1.

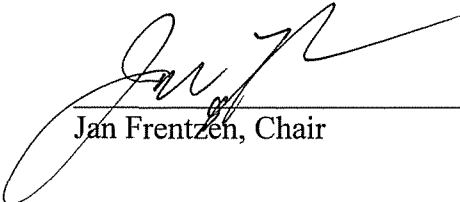
X. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

4/21/2010
Date



Jan Frentzen, Chair