

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Conference Room
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council
Gainesville, Florida

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
May 23, 2001

| MEMBERS PRESENT | MEMBERS PRESENT | OTHERS PRESENT | STAFF PRESENT |
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| Joe Wilson, Chair Anne Barkdoll Richard Fletcher Jan Frentzen Nancy Gildersleeve Scherwin Henry James Higman Matthew Hurst Doug Hornbeck | Tony Porter Cindy Smith Mike Wright MEMBERS ABSENT Jonathan Reiskind | Doreen Joyner-Howard John Sabatella Suraya Teeple | Gerry Dedenbach Andrea Vogler |

CALL TO ORDER

In the absence of Chair Joe Wilson, Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Dedenbach introduced himself and asked those present to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has requested an amendment to the MTPO's adopted Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He said that this amendment is to add left turn lanes at State Road 121 and State Road 24 beginning in Fiscal Year 2001/2002. He noted that approval of this amendment will allow the preliminary engineering for this project to begin this summer. He added that Item V.F., High Volume Pedestrian Areas has been removed from the meeting agenda. He requested that the CAC include approval of the amendment in their motion to approve the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to:

- 1. approve the meeting agenda with the deletion of Item V.F., High Volume Pedestrian Areas; and**
- 2. recommend that the MTPO approve the amendment to the MTPO's adopted TIP to add left turn lanes at State Road 121 and State Road 24 beginning in Fiscal Year 2001/2002.**

Doug Hornbeck seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to approve the April 25 CAC minutes. Mike Wright seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Dedenbach announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for June 7 at 7:00 p.m. He said that the next CAC meeting is scheduled for July 11 at 7:00 p.m. and the next Plan East Gainesville Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for May 30, 2001.

V. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

A. COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the countywide bicycle master plan. He noted that the Alachua Countywide Bicycle Master Plan Steering Committee has recommended approving the plan. Mr. Dedenbach further stated that the CAC needed to make a recommendation to the MTPO regarding the plan.

Mr. Bruce Landis and Mr. Jonathan Paul, Sprinkle Engineering president and project manager respectively, consultants for the preparation of the plan, presented the plan to the Committee.

The Committee discussed whether bicycle/pedestrian projects can be added to the plan.

Mr. Landis explained that the MTPO can amend the plan at any time. He recommended that the plan be amended each year and that new projects be added at that time.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Countywide Bicycle Master Plan as a completed planning document. Doug Hornbeck seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. US 441 BICYCLE SAFETY STUDY-DRAFT SCOPE OF WORK

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the US 441 Bicycle Safety Study draft scope of work. He said that the MTPO needs to review the scope of work at its June meeting.

ACTION: Doug Hornbeck moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the draft scope of work for the US 441 Bicycle Safety Study. Jan Frentzen seconded; motion passed unanimously.

C. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)-
FISCAL YEARS 2001/2002 THROUGH 2005/2006

1. TIP DOCUMENT

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the process concerning the development and adoption of the TIP. He discussed projects which were not in the current TIP but have been included in the 2001/2002 through 2005/2006 document.

2. DESIGN TEAM REFERRALS - DEVELOP MTPO
RECOMMENDATION

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the criteria for projects which the MTPO refers to the Design Team. He discussed the projects that staff recommends for referral from the 2001/2001 through 2005/2006 TIP.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the 2001/2002 through 2005/2006 TIP; and**
- 2. refer the projects listed on Page XVII of the TIP to its Design Team.**

Anne Barkdoll seconded; motion passed unanimously.

D. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS (LOPP) - MTPO AREA

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the CAC needs to develop recommendations for needed, but unfunded, transportation projects by its July 11 meeting. He suggested that the CAC review the Livable Community Reinvestment Plan as a starting point for their priority recommendations.

It was a consensus of the CAC to request that staff provide the color map of the LCRP at the next meeting.

E. STATE ROADS 26/26A SCOPE OF WORK

Mr. Dedenbach stated that, at its April meeting, the Design Team discussed the SR 26/26A scope of work. He said that, at this meeting, it was reported that the FDOT's involvement will be between the existing curbs and/or right-of-way. In addition, he noted that there is a shortfall of funding for this project for enhancements such as widened sidewalks, pedestrian scale lighting, street amenities (such as furniture or bus stops) and roundabouts. He added that the City of Gainesville will submit an application to FDOT for enhancement funding for this project. He noted that the Design Team will not have the opportunity to review the application because of the June 1 application deadline. He reported that FDOT staff suggested that the Design Team prioritize the enhancements because the City of Gainesville may not receive all requested enhancement funds. He reviewed the Design Team recommendation concerning this issue.

The CAC discussed prioritization of the enhancements.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. rank the proposed enhancements for the SR 26/26A project as follows:**
 - A. landscaping;**
 - B. pedestrian-scale lighting;**
 - C pavers and brick-hued pedestrian crosswalks;**
 - D. tree wells west of W 32nd Street;**
 - E. bulb-outs at the northeast and southwest corners of the intersections at SW 34th Street and SW 2nd Avenue and University Avenue, respectively;**
 - F. tree wells and wide sidewalks east of W 32nd Street; and**
 - G. street furniture; and**
- 2. request that FDOT amend their subcontractor's contract to develop design and cost estimates for the SR 26/26A enhancements.**

James Higman seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Date

Joseph N. Wilson, Chair

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