

MEETING SUMMARY
GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
DESIGN TEAM

NCFRPC Conference Room
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.
January 18, 2005

MEMBERS PRESENT

Meg Niederhofer, Chair
Linda Dixon
Ron Barlow
E. J. Bolduc
Jesus Gomez
Bill Lecher
Robert Norton
Julia Reiskind
Reid Rivers
Fred Wright

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jennifer Auger
Chris Bird
Dave Cerlanek
Brian Kanely
Melissa Norman
Gwendolyn Pra
Cindy Smith

OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Thomas Hill
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Meg Niederhofer, City of Gainesville Arborist, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Niederhofer introduced herself and asked those present to introduce themselves.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Niederhofer requested action on the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Julia Reiskind moved to approve the meeting agenda. Jesus Gomez seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. STATE ROAD (SR) 26A LIGHTING PLANS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that the MTPO referred reconsideration of the selection of domus pedestrian scale lighting to its advisory boards. H discussed the lighting features along W. University Avenue and SW 2nd Avenue.

Mr. Reid Rivers, Gainesville Regional Utilities Energy Delivery Manager, and Mr. Fred Wright, Florida Department of Transportation District 2 Project Consultant Manager, discussed the State Road 26A Lighting Plans and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson noted that Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, FDOT District 2 Transportation Specialist, had indicated that an acorn fixture was less expensive than a domus fixture.

Mr. E.J. Bolduc declared a conflict of interest.

ACTION: Julia Reiskind moved to recommend that the MTPO request that the Florida Department of Transportation revise the State Road 26A Lighting Plans to replace the domus pedestrian scale lighting along State Road 26/26A corridor with acorn pedestrian scale lighting. Robert Norton seconded; motion passed 9 to 0, with one abstention.

IV. STATE ROAD (SR) 26 (NEWBERRY ROAD) RESURFACING

Mr. Thomas Hill, MTPO Senior Planner, stated that FDOT submitted 60 percent design plan for the SR 26 Resurfacing Project for review and recommendation. He discussed the plans and answered questions.

ACTION: Reid Rivers moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Florida Department of Transportation 60 percent resurfacing design plans for State Road 26 (Newberry Road) from NW 109th Drive to NW 80th Boulevard. E.J. Bolduc seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. BUFFER/BIKELANE COLOR

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO, at its December meeting approved a motion to:

“refer the coloration of painted line buffers and/or the bikelanes to the Design Team for recommendations for modifying the MTPO Urban Design Policy Manual.”

He discussed FDOT’s position regarding bikelane coloration.

ACTION: Bill Lecher moved to recommend that the MTPO not consider modifying the MTPO Urban Design Policy Manual for bikelane coloration at this time since the Federal Highway Administration has not accepted bikelane coloration. Fred Wright seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Chair Niederhofer announced that the MTPO meets on February 10 at 1:30 p.m. and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for February 15 at 1:00 p.m.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Dean Mimms moved to adjourn the meeting. Fred Wright seconded; motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.