

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

NCFRPC Conference Room
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.
January 20, 2009

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Emery Swearingen, Chair Susan Bridges Niemann Jesus Gomez Ha Nguyen John Richter David Kvaltine Karen Taulbee Gary Weed	Linda Dixon Kathy Fanning Beth Jordan Meg Niederhofer Jonathan Paul	Julia Reiskind	Marlie Sanderson Michael Escalante Luis Lopez

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emery Swearingen, City of Gainesville Public Works Manager, called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Swearingen introduced himself and requested introductions.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Swearingen requested action on the meeting agenda.

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

III. SIXTH STREET RAIL TRAIL PROJECT- PHASE 1 60 PERCENT DESIGN PLANS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, that City of Gainesville staff has submitted 60 percent design plans for the W 6th Street Rail/Trail Project Phase I.

Mr. Swearingen discussed the W 6th Street Rail/Trail Project Phase I 60 Percent Design Plans and answered questions. He noted that the project was bifurcated into two phases, with Phase 1 from SE 4th Street to south of University Avenue and Phase 2 from south of University Avenue to NW 16th Avenue. He announced that these plans would be presented at a February City of Gainesville Commission meeting.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the W 6th Street Rail/ Trail Project Phase I 60 Percent Design Plans with the best alignment possible at the S Main Street and SW 4th Avenue intersections. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. ARCHER ROAD SAFETY PROJECT

Mr. Sanderson stated that Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) staff was present to discuss the Archer Road Safety Project.

Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the Archer Road Safety Project and answered questions. She noted that FDOT would have a public meeting regarding the project in February.

V. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 13th and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17th.

A member of the Design Team noted that she would not attend May and June Design Team meetings. She asked about City Planning's participation at those meeting dates.

Mr. Michael Escalante, MTPO Senior Planner, noted that Mr. Gene Francis also received meeting packets. He said that City staff should discuss having an alternate attend those meetings should it be necessary.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Escalante discussed projects for Design Team review. He noted that, should they desire, the City, County and FDOT could bring other projects for review by the Design Team in addition to those specified in *MTPO Design Policy Manual Policy 10.4*.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: John Richter moved to adjourn. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.