

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

NCFRPC Conference Room
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.
May 19, 2009

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

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emery Swearingen, City of Gainesville Public Works Manager, called the meeting to order at 1:40 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. Julia Reiskind seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. SW 62ND CONNECTOR INTERIM PROJECTS PERCENT DESIGN PLANS

- A. SW 40TH BOULEVARD AT ARCHER ROAD INTERSECTION MODIFICATIONS
- B. SW 43RD STREET AT SW 20TH AVENUE INTERSECTION MODIFICATIONS
- C. SMART BUS BAY ON SW 20TH AVENUE

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, that City of Gainesville staff has submitted 30 percent design plans for the SW 40th Boulevard at Archer Road Intersection Modifications, SW 43rd Street at SW 20th Avenue Intersection Modifications and the Smart Bus Bay on SW 20th Avenue.

Mr. Terry Shaw, HNTB Associate Vice President, discussed the 30 percent design plans for the SW 40th Boulevard at Archer Road Intersection Modifications, SW 43rd Street at SW 20th Avenue Intersection Modifications and the Smart Bus Bay on SW 20th Avenue and answered questions.

ACTION: Julia Reiskind move to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 40th Boulevard at Archer Road Intersection Modifications Project 30 Percent Design Plans, the SW 43rd Street at SW 20th Avenue Intersection Modifications 30 percent design plans and Smart Bus Bay on SW 20th Avenue 30 percent design plans, that includes a written explanation that discusses why the MTPO Design Policy Manual shade tree provisions cannot be followed. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed 6 to 2.

IV. AMERICAN RECOVERY & REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS- SCOPING PLANS

A. NW 34TH STREET [NW 39TH AVENUE TO US 441] SIDEWALK

Mr. Sanderson stated that Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) staff has provided some information regarding the NW 34th Street Sidewalk scoping plans.

Mr. Emery Swearingen, City of Gainesville Public Works Manager, discussed the scope of the NW 34th Street Sidewalk Project and answered questions. He noted that there would be a 6-foot Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-compliant sidewalk. He added that the project would be split into two phases, with Phase 1 from NW 39th Avenue to NW 53rd Avenue and Phase 2 from NW 53rd Avenue to US 441.

ACTION: Gary Weed moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the scope for the NW 34th Street Sidewalk Project to replace the existing asphalt path with a 6-foot ADA-compliant sidewalk. John Richter seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. SW 8TH AVENUE [TOWER ROAD TO SW 67TH TERRACE] SIDEWALK

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT staff has provided some information regarding the SW 8th Avenue Sidewalk Project.

Ms. Ha Nguyen, Alachua County Contract & Design Manager, discussed the scope of the SW 8th Avenue Sidewalk Project and answered questions.

ACTION: Gary Weed moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the scope for the SW 8th Avenue Sidewalk Project to construct an MTPO Design Policy Manual-compliant sidewalk on the north side of SW 8th Avenue that, as needed, will meander around utility poles and drainage structures. John Richter seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 8th and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16th.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, discussed his concerns regarding traffic signal timing.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.