

MINUTES  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)  
FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium  
Alachua County Administration Building  
Gainesville, Florida

5:00 p.m.  
Monday  
August 23, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula DeLaney, Chair  
Thomas Hawkins, Vice Chair  
Mike Byerly  
Schervin Henry  
Rodney Long  
Craig Lowe  
Jeanna Mastrodicasa  
Alan Mosely  
Lauren Poe  
Randy Wells

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cynthia Moore Chestnut  
Jack Donovan  
Lee Pinkoson  
Ed Poppell  
Larry Travis

OTHERS PRESENT

See Exhibit A

STAFF PRESENT

Scott Koons  
Marlie Sanderson  
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Paula DeLaney called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, introduced Mr. Alan Mosely, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 2 Secretary.

Chair DeLaney welcomed Secretary Mosely.

Secretary Mosely stated that he looked forward to working with the MTPO.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Sanderson suggested that agenda items V. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Request-City of Gainesville Advisory Committee and VI. Depot Avenue Status Report could be deferred to the next MTPO meeting.

Chair DeLaney asked if there were any public comments on the consent agenda and amended meeting agenda. There was no public comment.

**ACTION: Commissioner Lowe moved to approve the Consent agenda and Meeting Agenda amended to defer agenda items V. Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Request- City of Gainesville Advisory Committee and VI. Depot Avenue Status Report to the next MTPO meeting. Commissioner Poe seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

## II. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the FDOT has requested amendments to the TIP to add the E. University Avenue Landscaping Project, provide redistributed monies for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)-funded Transit Vehicle Purchase Project and to roll forward funding for several projects from Fiscal Year 2009/2010 to Fiscal Year 2010/2011 as described in Exhibits 1 and 2.

Several MTPO members discussed their concerns regarding the installation of non-native vegetation for the landscaping project.

Mr. James Bennett, FDOT Urban Transportation Development Engineer, discussed the E. University Avenue landscaping Project. He noted that the District Landscape Architect could look into using native vegetation in the project. He also reported the status on the Williston Road landscaping project mitigation.

Chair DeLaney asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

**ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to:**

- 1. amend the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 – 2014/2015 Transportation Improvement Program for the projects shown in Exhibits 1 and 2; and**
- 2. refer to staff to work with FDOT to use native trees instead of Chinese Elms for the E. University Avenue landscaping project.**

**Commissioner Poe seconded; motion passed unanimously by a hand counted vote- 9-0.**

## III. YEAR 2035 NEEDS PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO is required to update its long range transportation plan every five years.

### A. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Chair DeLaney opened the public hearing and welcomed everyone.

## B. TESTING AND EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVE 4

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO's consultant has completed the Alternative 4 testing for the LRTP update. He introduced Mr. Whit Blanton, Renaissance Planning Group (RPG) Vice President.

Mr. Blanton discussed the Alternative 4 evaluation and answered questions.

## C. ALTERNATIVE 5- 30 PERCENT TRANSIT MODE SHARE

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO requested an Alternative 5 test for 30 percent transit mode share.

**Chair DeLaney requested that this agenda item be placed on a future MTPO agenda.**

## D. DRAFT NEEDS PLAN

Mr. Sanderson stated that RPG has completed the draft Needs Plan and that it was presented to the MTPO Advisory Committees.

Mr. Blanton discussed the draft Roadway Needs Plan and Transit Needs Plan projects and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson discussed the draft Bicycle/Pedestrian Needs Plan projects and answered questions.

A member of the MTPO asked about the status of the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail-Waldo Road Greenway connection.

Mr. Sanderson reported that Depot Avenue Rail/Trail-Waldo Road Greenway connection issues have been discussed with the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board and Alachua County Traffic Safety Team.

Mr. Martin Gold, Florida Community Design Center Director, discussed the Waldo Road Multiway Project and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson discussed the Archer Road 4-laning project and answered questions

Mr. Jeff Hays, Alachua County Senior Planner, discussed the NE 39th Avenue 4-laning project and answered questions

A member of the MTPO noted that the funding for the Airport Entrance Road requires a 50 percent local match.

Mr. Bennett discussed the status of the Airport Entrance Road and answered questions.

Ms. Teresa Scott, City of Gainesville Public Works Director, discussed the status of the SE 4th Street project and answered questions.

A member of the MTPO suggested placing a roundabout at the SE 15th Street and SE 4th Avenue intersection.

#### E. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

There were no comments from the public on the Year 2035 Needs Plan:

#### F. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Chair DeLaney closed the public hearing.

#### IV. ADOPTION OF YEAR 2035 NEEDS PLAN

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needs to adopt the Year 2035 Needs Plan. He reported the MTPO Advisory Committees and Staff recommendations.

**ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Year 2035 Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects Needs Plan, Year 2035 Transit Projects Needs Plan and Year 2035 Roadway Projects Needs Plan revised to delete the Archer Road 4-laning Project. Commissioner Lowe seconded.**

A member of the MTPO suggested that the E. 27th Street Connector Project be added to the Needs Plan.

Mr. Blanton discussed the merits of including the E. 27th Street Connector Project in the Needs Plan.

#### **FRIENDLY AMENDMENT:**

**Commissioner Long asked to amend the Year 2035 Roadway Projects Needs Plan to include the E. 27th Street Connector Project. Commissioner Byerly did not accept the amendment.**

**AMENDMENT: Commissioner Long moved to amend the Year 2035 Roadway Project Needs Plan to add the E. 27th Street Connector Project. Commissioner Henry seconded. Commissioner Long requested a roll call vote.**

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Commissioner Henry	Yes	
Commissioner Long		Yes
Commissioner Lowe	No	
Commissioner Mastrodicasa	No	
Commissioner Poe	No	
Commissioner Wells	No	
Commissioner Byerly		No
Chair DeLaney		No

**Amendment failed.**

A member of the MTPO requested that the motion be divided.

Mr. Brian Harrington discussed his support for the Archer Road 4-laning Project.

**SPLIT ACTION PART ONE:**

**Commissioner Byerly moved to delete the Archer Road 4-laning Project from the Year 2035 Roadway Projects Needs Plan. Commissioner Lowe seconded. Commissioner Long requested a roll call vote.**

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Commissioner Henry	No	
Commissioner Long		No
Commissioner Lowe	Yes	
Commissioner Mastrodicasa	No	
Commissioner Poe	No	
Commissioner Wells	Yes	
Commissioner Byerly		Yes
Chair DeLaney		No

**Motion failed.**

A member of the MTPO requested that the original motion be divided.

**SPLIT ORIGINAL ACTION PART ONE:**

**Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Year 2035 Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects Needs Plan, Year 2035 Transit Projects Needs Plan Year 2035 and Year 2035 Roadway Projects Needs Plan excluding the Archer Road 4-laning Project. Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed by a hand counted vote of 8 to 0.**

**SPLIT ORIGINAL ACTION PART TWO RESTATED:**

**Chair DeLaney restated the motion as being to include the Archer Road 4-laning Project as part of the Year 2035 Roadway Projects Needs Plan. She requested a show-of-hands vote. Motion passed by a hand counted vote of 5 to 3.**

Chair DeLaney noted that the result of the MTPO's action was to approve the joint MTPO Technical Advisory Committee and Staff recommendations.

IV. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson stated that there was no business requiring the MTPO to meet in September. He said that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for October 4th at 5:00 p.m.

**It was a consensus of the MTPO to meet on October 4th beginning at 5:00 p.m.**

V. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBERS

A member of the MTPO encouraged people to get out and vote.

B. CITIZENS

There were no citizens comments

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no Chair's Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair DeLaney adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

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Date 10/13/10

  
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Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Secretary/Treasurer

**EXHIBIT A**

<b><u>Interested Citizens</u></b>	<b><u>Alachua County</u></b>	<b><u>City of Gainesville</u></b>	<b><u>Florida Department of Transportation</u></b>
Whit Blanton	Mike Fay	Russ Blackburn	James Bennett
Jeff Cheek	Jeff Hays	Jesus Gomez	Karen Taulbee
Martin Gold	Sean McLendon	Debbie Leistner	
Brian Harrington	David Schwartz	Doug Robinson	
Helen Perez		Teresa Scott	
Jayson Spence		John Veilleux	

\* By telephone

# Provided written comments





## EXHIBIT 1

### Fiscal Years (FY) 2010/-2011 – 2014/2015 TIP Amendment #10-2 Additional Projects

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (FINANCE NUMBER)	MAP #	MILE	TYPE WORK	FY 10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FUND CODE Table 3	FED FUNDS
TABLE 10- LANDSCAPING PROJECTS										
University Avenue/ SR 26 FM: SE 15 <sup>th</sup> Street TO: County Road 329B (2075893)	1	2.7	Landscaping	5 PE 16 CST 72 CST					DIH DIH DDR	NO
TABLE 17- TRANSIT- REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM PROJECTS										
FIXED ROUTE CAPITAL ARRA Section 5307 (4263201)	-	-	Purchase Transit vehicles with ARRA funding	562 CAP 335 CAP 680 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA FTA FTA	YES

**EXHIBIT 2**

**Fiscal Years (FY) 2010/2011 – 2014/2015 TIP Amendment #10-2 Roll-Forward Projects**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (FINANCE NUMBER)	MAP #	MILE	TYPE WORK	FY 10-11	FY 11-12	FY 12-13	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	FUND CODE Table 3	FED FUNDS
<b>TABLE 5- AIRPORT PROJECTS</b>										
Airport Transit Improvement Section 5309 Earmark (4068473)	-	-	Expand passenger terminal parking lot	298 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA	YES
<b>TABLE 9- INTERSTATE / INTERCHANGE PROJECTS</b>										
Interstate 75 AT: Newberry Road/SR 26 (4230712)	1		Operational improvement	1 PE	-	-	-	-	DIH	NO
Interstate 75 AT: Newberry Road/SR 26 (4244732)	1		Operational improvement @ NW quadrant	10 ROW 592 ROW	-	-	-	-	DIH NHAC	YES
<b>TABLE 17- TRANSIT- REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM PROJECTS</b>										
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5307 (4040261)	-	-	Capital and Operating Grant	1,250 CAP 313 CAP	650 CAP 163 CAP	650 CAP 163 CAP	650 CAP 163 CAP	712 CAP 178 CAP	FTA	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5307 (4044111)	-	-	AVL equipment hardware/software, radio system upgrade, furniture/office equipment, automatic passenger counters, computer equipment	600 CAP 150 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	200 CAP 50 CAP	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5307 (4117581)	-	-	Shelters & passenger amenities, benches, shelters, signs & logos, shop equipment, signal preemption, preventative and associated capital maintenance	3,020 CAP 755 CAP	1,485 CAP 371 CAP	1,535 CAP 384 CAP	1,535 CAP 384 CAP	1,535 CAP 384 CAP	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5309 (4068471)	-	-	Discretionary grants- purchase transit coaches neighborhood transfer center	4,165 CAP 1,041 CAP	4,500 CAP 1,125 CAP	4,773 CAP 1,193 CAP	5,059 CAP 1,265 CAP	-	FTA LF	YES
PTO Studies 5309 High Priority Project #213 (4068475)	-	-	RTS Rapid Transit Study	431 CAP 108 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5307 (4117581)	-	-	Employee training, GFI/fare boxes, passenger information system	600 CAP 150 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	215 CAP 54 CAP	200 CAP 50 CAP	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5309 (4117581)	-	-	Discretionary grants- purchase transit coaches neighborhood transfer center	2,928 CAP 732 CAP	1,260 CAP 315 CAP	1,323 CAP 331 CAP	1,639 CAP 410 CAP	2,000 CAP 500 CAP	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital Section 5307 (4243901)	-	-	Small Transit Incentives Cities Allocation	752 CAP 188 CAP	752 CAP 188 CAP	752 CAP 188 CAP	752 CAP 188 CAP	752 CAP 188 CAP	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital ARRA 5307 (4263891)	-	-	Purchase transit vehicles with ARRA funding	3,201 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA	YES
Fixed Route System Capital HR1105 5309 (4267571)	-	-	RTS purchase transit vehicles with HR 1105 High Priority Project funding	475 CAP 119 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA LF	YES
Fixed Route System Capital E2010-BUSP-057 Earmark 5309 (4286431)	-	-	RTS purchase buses with E2010-BUSP-057 Earmark 5309 funding	750 CAP 188 CAP	-	-	-	-	FTA LF	YES

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MTPO MINUTES  
AUGUST 23, 2010



## CONSENT AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium  
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Monday, 5:00 p.m.  
August 23, 2010

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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|----------|-------|---|---------------------------------|
| Page #9  | CA. 1 | MTPO Minutes- June 14, 2010   | APPROVE MINUTES                 |
|          |       | <u>This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review</u>   |                                 |
| Page #17 | CA. 2 | Proposed Amended Budget for FY 2009-2010<br>and Proposed Budgets for FY 2010-2011   | APPROVE BUDGETS                 |
|          |       | <u>These budgets will allow staff to monitor MTPO expenditures and make appropriate adjustments as needed</u>                                     |                                 |
| Page #23 | CA. 3 | Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)<br>Administrative Amendments Resolution  | APPROVE<br>RESOLUTION NO. 10-8  |
|          |       | <u>This resolution authorizes the Executive Director to process administrative amendments to the TIP</u>  |                                 |
| Page #29 | CA. 4 | Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)-<br>Supplemental Agreement  | APPROVE<br>RESOLUTION NO. 10-9  |
|          |       | <u>This resolution authorizes the MTPO Chair to execute Supplement Agreement No. 2 to the LRTP Agreement</u>                                      |                                 |
| Page #39 | CA. 5 | Transportation Disadvantaged Program<br>Resolution of Appreciation  | APPROVE STAFF<br>RECOMMENDATION |
|          |       | <u>This Resolution of Appreciation is for Mr. Charles Robert Kridner for his service as the Veterans Representative on the Coordinating Board</u> |                                 |

**Page #45**      **CA. 6**      **Transportation Disadvantaged Program Status Report**      **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

**Page #57**      **CA. 7**      **East University Avenue Median Trees**      **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

The Florida Department of Transportation will be planting trees in the East University Avenue median