

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

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida

4:00 p.m.
Monday
December 13, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula DeLaney, Chair
Thomas Hawkins, Vice Chair
Susan Baird
James Bennett/Alan Mosely
Mike Byerly
Scherwin Henry
Rodney Long
Craig Lowe
Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Warren Nielsen
Lee Pinkoson
Lauren Poe
Ed Poppell
Larry Travis
Randy Wells

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

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 4:00 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, recommended approval of the meeting agenda and consent agenda. He noted that there was a time certain agenda item for the Public Involvement Plan that was advertised in the newspaper for 5:00 p.m.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Henry moved to approve the Consent agenda and Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Hawkins seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS-
A. DEPOT AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW)
B. REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM (RTS) MAINTENANCE FACILITY

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is requesting two TIP amendments. He reported that the first TIP amendment was the reallocation of Federal Earmark Depot Avenue funds from construction to ROW purchase and the second TIP amendment was the awarding of a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Grant. He said that this Grant would be used by RTS to fund Phase 1 of the Maintenance Facility Expansion and the purchase of 42 farebox replacements.

MOTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to amend the TIP to add the Depot Avenue ROW Project [4263201] and the RTS Phase 1 Maintenance Facility and 42 Farebox Replacements Project [4299271]. Commissioner Hawkins seconded. Mr. Sanderson conducted a show-of-hands vote; motion passed unanimously.

III. STATE ROAD 226 (SE 16TH AVENUE) ALTERNATIVES- SCOPING REVIEW

Chair DeLaney welcomed Commissioner Susan Baird.

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested an opportunity to present the State Road 226 Project Scoping Alternatives. He said that FDOT staff would make its presentation and then MTPO staff would give the MTPO Advisory Committees and staff recommendations.

Mr. James Bennett, FDOT District 2 Urban Transportation Development Engineer, reviewed the project, development and environmental (PD&E) findings, discussed the State Road 226 project scoping alternatives and answered questions. He noted that federal funds could be used for the transportation system management (TSM) modifications alternative, but not for the two four-laning alternatives.

A member of the MTPO asked about the inclusion of bus bays within the corridor.

Mr. Bennett noted that bus bays could be included in the design, but were not part of the PD&E study.

A member of the MTPO suggested that one of the sidewalks be wide enough for a multi-use path.

Mr. Bennett noted that this study did not account for traffic impacts as a result of changes to Archer Road between SW 16th Avenue and SW 13th Street.

Mr. Ed Poppell, University of Florida (UF) Vice President for Business Affairs, discussed plans for a speed limit reduction on Archer Road between SW 16th Avenue and SW 13th Street.

Mr. Bennett stated that FDOT is processing a permit for changes to the SW 16th Avenue corridor, including the removal of on-street parking and the striping for bikelanes. He stated that FDOT would consider relocating SR 24 to S 16th Avenue if the MTPO approved the TSM alternative. He also stated that FDOT is not willing, at this time, to take the portion of SR 24, between State Road 226 and SW 13th Street, off of the State Highway System. He added that, with the City's Comprehensive Plan not allowing the six-laning of roadways, FDOT will maintain jurisdiction of Archer Road between SW 16th Avenue and SW 13th Street. He also noted that State Road 24 is not part of the truck route system.

Ms. Teresa Scott, City of Gainesville Public Works Director, discussed the land uses along the SE 16th Avenue corridor.

Chair DeLaney noted that it was time to review the Public Involvement Plan.

VIII. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN UPDATE (Note- Agenda Item Started at 5:00 p.m.)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO is required to review its Public Involvement Plan and revise it as needed. He discussed the MTPO evening meeting policy, revisions to the plan and answered questions.

MOTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to approve revisions to the Public Involvement Plan and to keep the 5:00 p.m. meeting time for the List of Priority Projects, Transportation Improvement Program and FDOT Tentative Work Program. Commissioner Hawkins seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)- VACANT POSITIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needs to fill eight vacant positions on its CAC. He said that five positions have a term of office through December 31, 2013 and three positions have a term of office through December 31, 2012. He noted that there were three candidates from outside the MTPO boundary. He suggested that the MTPO first vote for two of the three rural candidates with the low vote recipient becoming the rural CAC Designate Member. He also suggested that the MTPO then vote for the five candidates to serve a term of office through December 31, 2013.

Chair DeLaney asked if there were any rural area applicants present to speak concerning their candidacy.

Mr. Chris Towne spoke regarding his candidacy for the CAC.

Mr. Sanderson conducted a voice rollcall ballot for the rural area candidates. He reported the results of the CAC appointment vote.

MOTION: Commissioner Hawkins moved to reappoint Holly Blumenthal and appoint Chris Towne to the CAC as rural area representatives. Commissioner Henry seconded; motion passed unanimously.

It was a consensus of the MTPO to appoint Joy Glanzer as a rural area CAC Designate member for a term through December 31, 2011.

Chair DeLaney asked if there were any other CAC applicants present to speak regarding their candidacy.

Mr. John Richter, Mr. Ewen Thomson and Ms. Nelle Bullock spoke regarding their CAC candidacy.

Mr. Sanderson conducted a rollcall ballot for the CAC candidates' terms of office. He reported the results of the vote. He noted there was a tie for fifth place between Holly Blumenthal and Jan Frentzen.

MOTION: Commissioner Long moved to reappoint Nelle Bullock, Blake Fletcher, John Richter and Ewen Thomson to the CAC for a term through December 31, 2013. Commissioner Henry seconded; motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Commissioner Hawkins moved to reappoint Holly Blumenthal to the CAC for a term through December 31, 2013. Commissioner Wells seconded; motion passed unanimously.

It was a consensus of the MTPO to reappoint Jan Frentzen and appoint Holly Shema and Chris Towne to the CAC for a term through December 31, 2012.

X. BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD (B/PAB)- VACANT POSITIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needs to fill two vacancies on the B/PAB for a term ending in October 31, 2013. He asked if there were any B/PAB applicants present to speak regarding their candidacy.

Ms. Debra Stucki, Mr. Dave Kaufmann and Mr. Mike Lemesh spoke regarding their B/PAB candidacy.

Mr. Sanderson conducted a voice rollcall vote and reported the results.

MOTION: Commissioner Henry moved to appoint Mike Lemesh to the B/PAB for a term through October 31, 2013. Commissioner Long seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Chair DeLaney stated that the officer elections would be discussed next.

V. ELECTION OF MTPO OFFICERS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needed to elect a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary/Treasurer for the coming year. He identified the current officers and noted that the MTPO Chair traditionally alternates between the City Commission and County Commission.

MOTION: Mayor Lowe moved to elect Commissioner Hawkins as the MTPO Chair, Commissioner Byerly as the MTPO Vice Chair and Commissioner Poe as MTPO Secretary/Treasurer. Commissioner Long seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sanderson presented a plaque to Chair DeLaney for her service as the 2010 MTPO Chair.

VI. MTPO AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanderson requested that the MTPO appoint two members to an Audit Review Committee. He noted that the MTPO Secretary/Treasurer traditionally chairs this committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to appoint Commissioner Poe and Commissioner Baird to the MTPO Audit Review Committee and to have Commissioner Poe serve as Committee Chair. Commissioner Wells seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (MPOAC)-
REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Sanderson asked the MTPO to appoint voting and alternate representatives to the Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) for calendar year 2011.

MOTION: Commissioner Long moved to reappoint Commissioner DeLaney as the MPOAC voting representative and Commissioner Hawkins as the MPOAC alternate representative. Commissioner Henry seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TENTATIVE FIVE YEAR
WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested comments concerning its Tentative Five Year Work Program for Fiscal Years 2011/2012 to 2015/2016.

MOTION: Commissioner Henry moved to authorize the MTPO Chair to send a letter to the FDOT District 2 Secretary thanking him for the opportunity to review and comment on the Tentative Work Program. Commissioner Long seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. GAINESVILLE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA)-
SOUTH MAIN STREET PROJECT

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, Casseaux, Hewett & Wapole (CHW) Planning & GIS Services Director, stated that this agenda item could be deferred to a future meeting.

III. STATE ROAD 226 (SE 16TH AVENUE) ALTERNATIVES- SCOPING REVIEW (Continued)

Mr. Bennett continued his discussion concerning the State Road 226 project scoping alternatives and answered questions. He noted that the plan includes a 5-foot sidewalk along the south side of the corridor. He added that the turning radii would be reviewed in order to slow vehicle turning speeds.

Mr. Russ Blackburn, Gainesville City Manager, reported that the land use along the north side of the corridor is low-density multifamily with seven dwelling units to the acre.

A member of the MTPO discussed temporary driveway openings.

Mr. Bennett discussed the temporary driveway openings and offered to make a presentation at a future MTPO meeting.

Mr. Sanderson noted that there was new information regarding FDOT's willingness to reroute State Route 24 with the TSM alternative. He recommended the TSM alternative.

A member of the MTPO asked if the TSM alternative offers opportunities for bus bays.

Mr. Bennett said bus bays could be considered. He noted that this alternative does not preclude reviewing this corridor at a later date should traffic data warrant another evaluation to consider adding capacity.

MOTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to:

- 1. approve the Transportation System Management (TSM) Build Alternative;**
- 2. request that FDOT examine opportunities to enhance bicycle and pedestrian access at both of the major intersections; and**
- 3. ask that FDOT make the sidewalk as wide as possible whether as a designated combined-use facility or not.**

Commissioner Henry seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XII. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson stated that there was no business requiring the MTPO to meet in January. He said that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for February 7th at 3:00 p.m.

It was a consensus of the MTPO to meet on February 7th at 3:00 p.m.

XIII. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBERS

There were no MTPO member comments.

B. CITIZENS

There were no citizens comments.

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair DeLaney invited interested persons to attend the Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board meeting on Wednesday, December 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair DeLaney adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

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Date

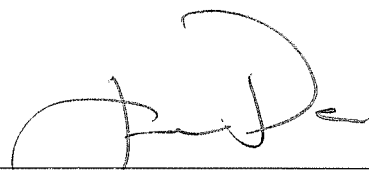

Lauren Poe, MTPO Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

<u>Interested Citizens</u>	<u>Alachua County</u>	<u>City of Gainesville</u>	<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>
Nelle Bullock	Dave Cerlanek	Russ Blackburn	Karen Taulbee
T. Cole	Jeff Hays	Paul Folkers	
Gerry Dedenbach	Randall Reid	Jesus Gomez	
Dave Kaufmann	David Schwartz	Debbie Leistner	
Mike Lemesh		Anthony Lyons	
John Richter		Doug Robinson	
Debra Stucki		Teresa Scott	
Ewen Thomson			
Chris Towne			

* By telephone

Spoke and provided written comments

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CONSENT AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Page #9 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- October 27, 2010 APPROVE MINUTES
This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review
- Page #41 CA. 2 Ala County Transportation Disadvantaged
Coordinating Board Membership Certification AUTHORIZE
CHAIR TO SIGN
Each year, the MTPO must certify that this Board represents a cross section of
the community
- Page #45 CA. 3 Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) APPROVE
Annual Performance Evaluation RECOMMENDATION
The Coordinating Board is recommending that MV Transportation continue
serving as the designated Coordinator for Alachua County
- Page #49 CA. 4 Transportation Disadvantaged Board NO ACTION REQUIRED
Status Report
The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program
- Page #59 CA. 5 FDOT Final Draft 2060 Florida NO ACTION REQUIRED
Transportation plan
The Alachua County Veterans Service Office nominated Mr. Kyle Morrison
to serve as the alternate representative on the Coordinating Board

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**Metropolitan Planning Organization
Advisory Council (MPOAC) Weekend Institute**

NO ACTION REQUIRED

If any MTPO member wants to attend this Institute, please contact MTPO staff