

MINUTES
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

John R. "Jack" Durrance Auditorium and
Via Communications Media Technology
Gainesville, Florida

April 25, 2022
3:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

IN PERSON

Charles Chestnut IV, Chair
Mary Alford
David Arreola
Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Ken Cornell
Desmon Duncan-Walker
Adrian Hayes-Santos
Lauren Poe
Anna Prizzia
Harvey Ward
Marihelen Wheeler

MEMBERS ABSENT

Linda Dixon/Curtis Reynolds
Reina Saco

OTHERS PRESENT

VIA COMMUNICATIONS

MEDIA TECHNOLOGY

See Exhibit A

STAFF PRESENT

VIA COMMUNICATIONS

MEDIA TECHNOLOGY

Michael Escalante
Scott Koons

MEMBERS PRESENT

VIA COMMUNICATIONS

MEDIA TECHNOLOGY

Gloria James
Mari Schwabacher/Greg Evans

CALL TO ORDER - April 25, 2022

Chair Charles Chestnut IV called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Chestnut stated that a member requested that CA.6 Public Transportation Safety Targets be added to the meeting agenda. He also requested that presentation of the Kermit Sigmon Citizens Participation Award be added to the meeting agenda. He asked for approval of the meeting agenda and consent agenda.

MOTION: Commissioner Hayes-Santos moved to approve the:

- **Consent Agenda as amended to delete CA.6 Public Transportation Safety Targets; and**

- **Meeting Agenda as amended to add items:**

- **I.A Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award Presentation after item I. Approval of the Meeting Agenda And Consent Agenda; and**
- **CA.6 Public Transportation Safety Targets after item V. Audit Review Committee**

Commissioner Alford seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

I.A KERMIT SIGMON CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AWARD PRESENTATION

Chair Chestnut announced that Ms. Elisabeth Staten, Vice-President of Community Organizations, Florida Not One More, is the 2021 recipient of the Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award. He presented the award to Ms. Staten.

Ms. Staten thanked the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the award.

II. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS (FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 TO FISCAL YEAR 2025-26) - VARIOUS PROJECTS

Scott Koons, Executive Director, stated that the Florida Department of Transportation is requesting that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization amend its Transportation Improvement Program (Fiscal Years 2021-22 to 2025-26) for four projects for Fiscal Years 2021-22 and 2022-23. He also stated that the Regional Transit System has also requested a Transportation Improvement Program amendment for Fiscal Years 2021-22 for a Federal Transit Administration Section 5339(c) grant award. He discussed the Transportation Improvement Program amendment projects and answered questions.

MOTION: Commissioner Alford moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization amend its Fiscal Year 2021-22 to Fiscal Year 2025-26 Transportation Improvement Program for:

- **Archer Road (State Road 24) at SW 16th Street Traffic Signal Update [4343964] construction in Fiscal Year 2022-23;**
- **Archer Road (State Road 24) at SW 34th Street (State Road 121) Traffic Signal Update [4498441] preliminary engineering in Fiscal Year 2022-23;**
- **Interstate 75 (State Road 93) at NW 39th Avenue Intersection North Bound Off Ramp Modification [2129346] construction in Fiscal Year 2022-23;**
- **Newberry Road (State Road 26) from Tower Road (SW 75th Street) to SE 9th Street Streetlighting Upgrade [4398081] construction in Fiscal Year 2021-22; and**
- **Federal Transit Administration \$10,660,817 Bus Replacement and East Gainesville Transfer Center Construction grant award [D2022-BUSC-023].**

Commissioner Ward seconded the motion. Mr. Koons conducted a roll call vote.

City Member	Yes	No	County Member	Yes	No
			Mary ALFORD	X	
David ARREOLA	X				
Cynthia Moore CHESTNUT	X				
			Ken CORNELL	X	
Adrian HAYES-SANTOS	X				
Lauren POE	X				
Harvey WARD	X				
			Marihelen WHEELER	X	
			Charles CHESTNUT IV	X	
Totals	5	0		4	0

Motion passed unanimously.

III. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Koons stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needed to elect a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary/Treasurer for the coming year. He identified the current officers and noted that the Chair traditionally alternates between the City Commission and Board of County Commissioners. He stated that the Bylaws do not preclude officers from serving consecutive terms.

MOTION: Commissioner Cornell moved to elect Commissioner Adrian Hayes-Santos as Chair, Commissioner Mary Alford as Vice-Chair and Commissioner Cynthia Moore Chestnut as Secretary/Treasurer. Commissioner Wheeler seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

IV. FLORIDA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mr. Koons asked the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization to appoint a second alternate representative to replace former Commissioner Robert Hutchinson to the Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council for 2022. He noted that currently Commissioner Ward serves as the voting representative and Commissioner Wheeler serves as the first alternate representative.

MOTION: Commissioner Cornell moved to appoint the following commissioners to the Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council:

- **Commissioner Alford as representative;**
- **Commissioner Saco as the first alternate representative; and**
- **Commissioner Wheeler as the second alternate representative.**

Commissioner Cynthia Moore Chestnut seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

V. AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Koons asked that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization appoint two members to an Audit Review Committee. He noted that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Secretary/Treasurer traditionally chairs this committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Cornell moved to appoint Commissioner Cynthia Moore Chestnut and Commissioner Prizzia to the Audit Review Committee and to have Commissioner Chestnut serve as Committee Chair. Mayor Poe seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Duncan-Walker joined the meeting at this time.

CA. 6 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SAFETY TARGETS - 2022

Mr. Koons stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to annually set transit safety performance measures and targets consistent with those set by the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System.

Jesus Gomez, City of Gainesville Regional Transit System Director, discussed the updated transit performance measures and targets and answered questions.

MOTION: Commissioner Alford moved to set the transit performance targets as shown in Exhibit 1. Commissioner Hayes-Santos seconded; Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Prizzia joined the meeting at this time.

VI. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Mari Schwabacher, Florida Department of Transportation Liaison, discussed the status of the Unified Planning Work Program and Transportation Improvement Program.

A member asked about the status of the 2020 Census count for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area.

Ms. Schwabacher discussed the status of the 2020 Census count for the Gainesville Metropolitan Area.

Alan Yeatter, Alachua County Communications Technician, reported that Florida Department of Transportation Central Office staff would not be participating in the meeting.

Mr. Koons made a presentation concerning the recently enacted federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law noting the new discretionary grants and answered questions.

VII. NEXT METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION MEETING

Several members and staff discussed the next meeting date.

By consensus, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization agreed to schedule the next meeting for July 11, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

VII. COMMENTS

A. METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION MEMBERS

There were no member comments.

B. CITIZENS

There were no citizen comments.

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Koons virtually presented a plaque to Commissioner Charles Chestnut IV for his service as Chair.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

7/11/22
Date

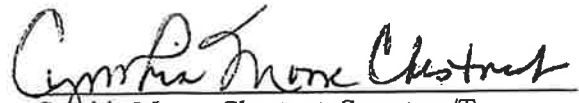

Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

Interested Citizens

Elisabeth Staten
Ruth Steiner*

Alachua County

Chris Dawson
Corbin Hanson*
Allan Yeatter

City of Gainesville

Cynthia Curry*
Jesus Gomez
Deborah Leistner*
Malisa McCreedy*

Florida Department of Transportation

Mari Schwabacher*

* Via communications media technology
Provided written comments

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

**John R. "Jack" Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville Florida and
Via Communications Media Technology**

**3:00 p.m.
April 25, 2022**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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| Page #9 | CA. 1 Minutes - October 25, 2021 | APPROVE MINUTES |
| | <u>This set of Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization minutes is ready for review.</u> | |
| Page #21 | CA. 2 Continuity of Operations Plan | APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION |
| | <u>This plan is reviewed each year and revisions are made as needed.</u> | |
| Page #23 | CA. 3 Certification - Metropolitan Transportation
Planning Process Certification Statement | AUTHORIZE CHAIR
SIGNATURE |
| | <u>Each year, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization and the Florida Department of Transportation are required by federal law and regulation to jointly certify the transportation planning process.</u> | |
| Page #47 | CA. 4 Unified Planning Work Program
Fiscal Year 2022-23 and Fiscal Year 2023-24 | APPROVE JOINT
RECOMMENDATION |
| | <u>The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to approve its Unified Planning Work Program for Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 in order to receive federal planning funds.</u> | |
| Page #65 | CA. 5 Consolidated Planning Grant Agreement
Fiscal Year 2022-23 and Fiscal Year 2023-24 | AUTHORIZE CHAIR
SIGNATURE |
| | <u>The Florida Department of Transportation has requested Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approval of the Consolidated Planning Grant Agreement for Fiscal Years 2022-23 and 2023-24 in order to receive federal planning funds.</u> | |
| Page #83 | CA. 6 Public Transportation Safety Targets - 2022 | APPROVE JOINT
RECOMMENDATION |
| | <u>The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to annually set transit safety performance measures and targets consistent with those set by the Regional Transit System.</u> | |

Page #87	CA. 7	Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board Funding Agreement with the City of Gainesville	APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION
<u>As part of the Joint Certification Process review, the Florida Department of Transportation has requested renewal of this agreement with the City of Gainesville.</u>			
Page #99	CA. 8	Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Collaborative Planning Agreement Update	APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION
<u>As part of the Joint Certification Process review, the Florida Department of Transportation has requested the review/update of the Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and Public Transportation Collaborative Planning Agreement consistent with the Florida Department of Transportation's most recent agreement template.</u>			
Page #113	CA. 9	Citizens Advisory Committee - Reappointment	REAPPOINT MS. STEINER
<u>Ruth Steiner has reapplied for appointment to the Citizens Advisory Committee.</u>			
Page #121	CA. 10	Title VI/Nondiscrimination Policy Statement	NO ACTION REQUIRED
<u>On April 2, 2012, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization authorized the Chief Staff Official to sign this policy statement each year.</u>			
Page #125	CA. 11	Florida Department of Transportation Tentative Five-Year Work Program - Florida Department of Transportation Response to Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Comments	NO ACTION REQUIRED
<u>The Florida Department of Transportation has provided a response to the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization comments on the draft Tentative Work Program.</u>			
Page #129	CA. 12	Draft Strategic Intermodal System Policy Plan - Florida Department of Transportation Response to Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Comment	NO ACTION REQUIRED
<u>The Florida Department of Transportation has provided a response to the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization comment on the draft Strategic Intermodal System Policy Plan.</u>			
Page #133	CA. 13	Florida Department of Transportation Fiscal Years 2022-23 to 2026-27 Adopted Work Program Amendment - Intelligent Transportation System Road Side Unit Equipment Purchase Project	NO ACTION REQUIRED
<u>The Florida Department of Transportation needs to purchase updated Intelligent Transportation Road Side Unit Equipment by July 2022.</u>			

Page #139 CA. 14 Federal Highway Administration NO ACTION REQUIRED
Build a Better America 12/16/21 Policy Memorandum

The Federal Highway Administration has released its Build a Better America Policy Memorandum as guidance for the implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

Page #171 CA. 15 Planning Emphasis Areas - 2021 - NO ACTION REQUIRED
Joint Federal Highway Administration-Federal Transit Administration and Florida Department of Transportation

Planning Emphasis Areas have been issued jointly by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration and also by the Florida Department of Transportation for application to the transportation planning process.

Page #181 CA. 16 Safe Routes to School Program Status Report NO ACTION REQUIRED
City of Gainesville Application Submission

The City of Gainesville has submitted an application for a NW 20th Street shared-use path extension from NW 7th Avenue to NW 8th Avenue.

Page #195 CA. 17 Transit Ridership Status Report NO ACTION REQUIRED

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization requested ridership reports to monitor ridership recovery amidst the Covid-19 pandemic.

Page #205 CA. 18 Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization NO ACTION REQUIRED
Advisory Council - 2022 Weekend Institute

The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council has announced meeting dates for its Weekend Institute and provided application forms.

Page #213 CA. 19 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - Fiscal Year 2022-23 APPROVE
Planning Grant Program Agreement Resolution RESOLUTION

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to annually adopt a resolution authorizing the Chair to sign the Transportation Disadvantaged Program Planning Grant Agreement.

Page #219 CA. 20 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - AUTHORIZE CHAIR
Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Board SIGNATURE
Coordinating Board Membership Certification

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization is required to annually certify the membership composition of the Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board.

Page #223 CA. 21 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - REAPPOINT MS. BARNARD
Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Board
Reappointment

Erica Barnard has reapplied for appointment as the voting Local Medical Community Representative.

Page #225 CA. 22 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - APPOINT MR. MORTON AND
Alachua County Transportation Disadvantaged Board MS. RUFF-LOONEY
Appointments

Spencer Morton has applied for appointment as the voting Persons with Disabilities Representative and Caroline Ruff-Looney has applied for appointment as the alternate Florida Association for Community Action Representative.

Page #227 CA. 23 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - APPROVE RESOLUTION
Resolution of Appreciation OF APPRECIATION

Charles Harris served as the Central Florida Community Action Agency representative since July 2016.

Page #231 CA. 24 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - NO ACTION REQUIRED
Status Report

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization has requested regular status reports concerning this program.

EXHIBIT 1

Public Transportation Safety Targets Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area 2022

Safety Performance Targets							
Targets below are consistent with the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System public transportation safety targets. The Regional Transit System updated its targets for 2022 after its review of the previous year of Regional Transit System safety performance. Analysis of the data is based off 100,000 vehicle revenue miles (VRM).							
Mode of Transit Service	Fatalities (total)	Fatalities (Per 100 Thousand VRM)	Injuries (total)	Injuries (Per 100 Thousand VRM)	Safety Events (total)	Safety Events (Per 100 Thousand VRM)	System Reliability (VRM / Failures)
Fixed Route Bus Actual 2021	0	0	5	0.1	17	0.4	6.5
Fixed Route Bus Targets for 2022	0	0	2	0.05	22	0.6	14