#### **MINUTES**

# GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Michael Escalante

Scott Koons

North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

2009 NW 67th Place
2:00 p.m.

Gainesville, Florida

MEMBERS PRESENT MEMBERS ABSENT OTHERS PRESENT STAFF PRESENT

Dekova Batey Ron Fuller Mari Schwabacher

Jeffrey Hays, Chair Krys Ochia

Deborah Leistner James Speer

Erik Lewis

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Dean Mimms
Brian Singleton
Suzanne Schiemann
Karen Taulbee

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jeffrey Hays, Alachua County Transportation Planning Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

# I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Hays introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

#### II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Hays asked for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to approve the meeting agenda. Erik Lewis seconded; motion passed unanimously.

#### III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Hays stated that the April 4, 2018 minutes were ready for consideration of approval by the Technical Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Karen Taulbee moved to approve the April 4, 2018 Technical Advisory Committee minutes. Brian Singleton seconded; motion passed unanimously.

#### IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018-19 TO 2022-23

Michael Escalante, Senior Planner, stated that the Transportation Improvement Program is the most important document that is approved annually by the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization. He said that the Transportation Improvement Program is a staged implementation program of transportation projects to the maximum extent feasible consistent with adopted comprehensive plans of Alachua County and the City of Gainesville. He added that, in order for federal and state transportation funds to be spent in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, they must be approved by the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization and included in the Transportation Improvement Program.

Karen Taulbee, Florida Department of Transportation, Urban Planning Manager, discussed the State Road 26 (West Newberry Road) sidewalk project and answered questions. She also discussed the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector funding, including County Incentive Grant Program funding in the fourth year.

MOTION: Brian Singleton moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approve the Fiscal Years 2018-19 to 2022-23 Transportation Improvement Program. Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.

#### V. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS

Mr. Escalante stated that, each year, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization develops priorities for unfunded projects. He said that these priorities are used by the Florida Department of Transportation to develop its Tentative Work Program. He added that the draft List of Priority Projects includes projects from the recently adopted Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan and from local agency recommendations. He discussed the draft list of Priority Projects and answered questions.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approve the Fiscal Years 2019-20 to 2023-24 List of Priority Projects revised to show Table 1 Bicycle/Pedestrian Priorities Priority 4T Gainesville Regional Utilities Right-of-Way from Depot Park to Williston Road as the new Priority 2T. Brian Singleton seconded; motion passed 8 to 1.

VI. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN UPDATE (Citizens Advisory Committee Only)

### VII. STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM ROUNDABOUTS

Mr. Escalante stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization referred the development of a priority list of roundabouts, including double-lane roundabouts, on the State Highway System to its advisory committees. He discussed the City and County staff roundabout recommendations and answered questions.

By consensus, the Technical Advisory Committee discussion of potential State Highway System double-lane roundabouts was tabled to a future meeting.

## VIII. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - DISTRICT 2 BIKEPED GAP STUDY

Mr. Escalante stated that the Florida Department of Transportation recently completed the District 2 BikePed Gap Study report. He discussed excerpts from the report and answered questions.

# IX. YEAR 2045 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE - REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND SCOPE OF SERVICES STATUS REPORT

Mr. Escalante stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization received three letters of interest to provide assistance with the Year 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan update. He noted that since only three letters of interest were received, there was no need for the Technical Review Committee to meet to establish a short-list of three firms. He discussed the project timeline and answered questions.

# X. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of information items

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Date

Jeffrey Hays, Chair