

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Multi-Purpose Meeting Room
Gainesville Regional Utilities
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.
Wednesday
January 30, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Dean Mimms, Chair Bill Lecher, Vice Chair Linda Dixon Greg DuBois Bob Elmore Dorren Joyner-Howard Brian Kanely Chuck Kiester Steve Lachnicht Jeff Logan Melissa Norman Steve Phelps	Barbara Hatchitt Mac McEachern	E.J. Bolduc Buford Davis Kim Holland Steve Kincaid Thuc Le Deborah Leistner Monique Markey Joe Montalto Shenley Neely Chris Simoneaux Kevin Tilbury Despina Veillieux Fred Wright	Marlie Sanderson Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Mimms introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that it was time to select a new committee chair and vice-chair.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to nominate Dean Mimms as TAC Chair and Bill Lecher or other Alachua County Public Works Department representative as TAC Vice-Chair. Bob Elmore seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Steve Lachnicht moved to close nominations. Bob Elmore seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Marlie Sanderson requested a vote on the slate. The TAC voted to appoint Dean Mimms as TAC Chair and Bill Lecher or other Alachua County Public Works Department representative as TAC Vice-Chair unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Sanderson requested that agenda item C. be moved to the last item for discussion.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to approve the meeting agenda, as amended to discuss agenda item VI.C. as the last item for discussion, Bob Elmore seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Doreen Joyner-Howard moved to approve the November 28, 2001 minutes. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Sanderson announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for February 14 at 1:30 p.m. He said that the next TAC meeting is scheduled for February 27.

VI. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

A. STATE ROAD (SR) 24 AT SW 63RD BOULEVARD

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Design Team has forwarded its recommendation for the SR 24 at SW 63rd Boulevard traffic signalization project design plans.

Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) noted that FDOT has incorporated the Opticon traffic signal preemption device into the project.

ACTION: Steve Lachnicht moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the proposed design plans provided that the intersection also include the Opticon traffic signal preemption device. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. WEST 13TH STREET TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Design Team has forwarded its recommendation for the West 13th Street, from SW 9th Avenue to NW 10th Avenue, traffic signal upgrade project design plans.

Ms. Joyner-Howard noted that FDOT has incorporated the Opticon traffic signal preemption device into the project.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the proposed design plans provided that the intersection also include the Opticon traffic signal preemption device. Steve Phelps seconded; motion passed unanimously.

C. LIVABLE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT PLAN CONSISTENCY WITH CITY AND COUNTY PLANS

Mr. Sanderson discussed that status of the plan consistency process.

D. TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY AND SYSTEM PRESERVATION (TCSP) PILOT PROGRAM GRANT

Mr. Sanderson stated that the final report for the TCSP Pilot Program Grant was complete.

Mr. Kevin Tilbury, Renaissance Planning Group Project Manager, discussed the TCSP final report and answered questions.

ACTION: Doreen Joyner-Howard moved to recommend that the MTPO approved the TCSP final report. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. SR 26/26A 30-PERCENT PLANS- STATUS REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Design Team has forwarded its recommendations for the SR 26 and SR 26A 30-percent design plans.

Mr. Fred Wright, FDOT District 2 Consultant Project Manager, and Mr. Joe Montalto, Lochrane Engineering Principal, discussed the SR 26/26A 30-percent design plans and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson discussed the MTPO Design Team and Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board recommendations and answered questions.

Mr. Chris Simoneaux, Comprehensive Engineering Services (CES) President, Ms. Despina Veillieux, Lochrane Engineering Project Engineer, and Ms. Kim Holland, Lochrane Engineering Project Manager, answered questions on the SR 26/26A 30-percent design plans.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the FDOT SR 26A 30-percent design plans;**
- 2. request that the FDOT present the City of Gainesville's design option for the confluences of SR 26 and SR 26A; and**
- 3. request that the FDOT present the results of a cost comparison of the City of Gainesville's Domus and Acorn lighting options.**

Greg DuBois seconded; motion passed 8 to 3.

ACTION: Jeff Logan moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the SR 26 30-percent design plans with the request that FDOT design the medians to be as lengthy as possible; and**
- 2. ask the FDOT to consider more shade-tolerant species, besides crepe myrtles, for the median landscaping; and**
- 3. incorporate, as much as possible, a redesign for driveway access to SR 26 west of West 34th Street.**

Bill Lecher seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Date

Dean Mimms, Chair

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