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October 17, 2022

TO: Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area

FROM: Adrian Hayes-Santos, Chair

SUBJECT: Meeting Announcement

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, on **October 24, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.**, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area will conduct a hybrid public meeting. The meeting will be conducted via communications media technology and in the **John R. “Jack” Durrance Auditorium, Alachua County Administration Building**, Gainesville, Florida.

Attached are copies of the meeting agenda.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Scott Koons, AICP, Executive Director, at 352.955.2200, extension 101.

Attachments

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**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.
October 24, 2022**

Declaration of Extraordinary Circumstance

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

**DECLARE EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCE
DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

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**I. Approval of Meeting Agenda
and Consent Agenda Items**

APPROVE BOTH AGENDAS

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to approve the meeting agenda and the consent agenda items.

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**II. Transportation Improvement Program Amendment -
American Rescue Planning Act of 2021 Federal Transit
Administration Route Restoration Plan Grant Award**

**APPROVE JOINT
RECOMMENDATION**

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to approve the Transportation Improvement Program Amendment to enable the City of Gainesville Regional Transit System to receive the funds associated with this discretionary grant award.

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III. Passenger Rail

RECEIVE PRESENTATION

The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization will receive a passenger rail presentation from the Florida Department of Transportation.

IV. Next Meeting

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

The next Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

V. Comments

A. Florida Department of Transportation Report*

B. Public Comment*

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the public to address the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization for the Gainesville Urbanized Area on any matter not included on the agenda. The comment period is limited to three minutes for each individual.

C. Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Members*

D. Chair's Report*

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*No backup material included with the attached agenda material.



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**CONSENT AGENDA
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Gainesville Florida**

**3:00 p.m.
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Page #7 CA. 1 Minutes - August 22, 2022 APPROVE MINUTES**
- This set of Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization minutes is ready for review.
- Page #21 CA. 2 Transportation Alternatives Program/
Safe Routes to School/
Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Applications APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**
- The Florida Department of Transportation will be notifying agencies concerning the Transportation Alternatives Program/Safe Routes to School/Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail grant application cycles.
- Page #27 CA. 3 2023 Meeting Schedule APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**
- The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization 2022 Meeting Schedule needs to be approved.
- Page #31 CA. 4 Selection of Auditor for Fiscal Year 2021-22,
Fiscal Year 2022-23 and Fiscal Year 2023-24 APPROVE AUDIT COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION**
- The recommended auditor for the next three years is Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants.
- Page #33 CA. 5 Engagement Letter for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Audit APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**
- The audit this year will be prepared by Powell and Jones, Certified Public Accountants.

- Page #41 CA. 6 Proposed Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22 APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**
- This amended budget will allow staff to monitor Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization expenditures and make appropriate adjustments as needed.
- Page #45 CA. 7 Florida Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General Audit Report FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- The Florida Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General has completed an audit of Metropolitan Transportation invoices and has issued its audit report.
- Page #63 CA. 8 Transit Ridership Status Report FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization has been monitoring ridership recovery from the Covid-19 Pandemic.
- Page #75 CA. 9 Florida Department of Transportation Safety Newsletter - Traffic Safety Talk FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- The Florida Department of Transportation District 2 Safety Office has provided a newsletter concerning several transportation safety issues.
- Page #85 CA. 10 Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Program - Transportation Disadvantaged Community Transportation Coordinator Designation APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**
- This agenda item concerns the use of a competitive request for proposals process for the selection of the Alachua County Community Transportation Coordinator.
- Page #87 CA. 11 Transportation Disadvantaged Program - Status Report FOR INFORMATION ONLY**
- The Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization has requested regular status reports concerning this program.