

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Grace Knight Conference Room
12 SE 1st Street
Gainesville, Florida

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
November 20, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
E. J. Bolduc
Thomas Bolduc
Nelle Bullock
Luis Diaz
Melinda Koken
Chandler Otis
John Richter
Ruth Steiner
Ewen Thomson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rajeeb Das
Mary Ann DeMatas
James Samec
Holly Shema

OTHERS PRESENT

Jim Green
Karen Taulbee
Jason Agront

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Frentzen introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Frentzen asked that the agenda be approved.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, asked that item VI. Unmarked Pedestrian Crosswalks be deleted from the agenda.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to delete item VI. Unmarked Pedestrian Crosswalks. Luis Diaz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to approve the September 18, 2013 CAC minutes. Melinda Koken seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TENTATIVE FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that each year the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) submits its Tentative Five Year Work Program for review by the MTPO. He noted that a Multimodal Corridor Study was to be funded. He and Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the Tentative Five Year Work Program and answered questions.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO send a letter to request that the Florida Department of Transportation fund the number two priority in the long range transportation plan on the State Highway System- State Road 121 (NW 34th Street) turnlanes for location where they are needed, such as NW 23 Terrace, NW 25 Terrace and the entrance to Rock Creek subdivision. Melinda Koken seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Taulbee noted that the District would host a public workshop on December 5, 2013 and a public hearing on December 9, 2013.

V. TOP TEN NEEDED BUS PULLOUT LOCATIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO referred development of a top ten list of bus pullout locations. He discussed the new locations proposed by the Regional Transit System and answered questions.

MOTION: Melinda Koken moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the top ten bus pullout locations revised to reverse 1 and 7, delete 1 and 9 and add two stops on Main Street between University Avenue and N. 8th Avenue (see Exhibit 1). Ruth Steiner seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO reviews the Public Involvement Plan each year. He discussed revisions to the plan and answered questions.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Public Involvement Plan. Melinda Koken seconded; motion passed unanimously.

X. DR. KERMIT SIGMON CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AWARD

Mr. Sanderson stated that each year the CAC selects a recipient for the Dr. Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to nominate Thomas Hawkins to receive the Dr. Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award. Luis Diaz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to close nominations. Luis Diaz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to select Thomas Hawkins to receive the Dr. Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award. Luis Diaz seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. ALTERNATIVE MEETING LOCATIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the CAC discussed changing its meeting location at its September meeting. He discussed a list of alternative meeting locations. He noted that MTPO staff further investigate whether fees would be charged for the Thomas Center and the Thelma Bolton Center and the availability of SW Parking Garage vouchers for CAC members.

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

1-22-2014
Date

Rob Bankman vice-chair
Jan Frentzen, Chair

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