

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
May 22, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
E. J. Bolduc
Thomas Bolduc
Nelle Bullock
Rajeeb Das
Mary Ann DeMatas
Melinda Koken
Chandler Otis
John Richter
James Samec
Holly Shema
Ewen Thomson

Ruth Steiner

Tony Falotico
Jesus Gomez
Doreen Joyner-Howard
Kamal Latham
Matthew Muller
Brian Singleton
Karen Taulbee

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Rob Brinkman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chair Brinkman introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, Director of Transportation Planning, asked that the agenda be approved.

MOTION: James Samec moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to delete item IV. SW 30th Avenue Interstate Overpass. E. J. Bolduc seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.

MOTION: James Samec moved to approve the February 20, 2013 CAC minutes. Nelle Bullock seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Transportation Improvement Program is the most important document that is approved annually by the MTPO. He said that the Transportation Improvement Program is a staged implementation program of transportation projects consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, with adopted comprehensive plans of Alachua County and the City of Gainesville. He added that, in order for Federal transportation funds to be spent in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, they must be approved by the MTPO and included in this report. He noted that this year's document authorizes about \$26 million in Federal funds for projects within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area over the next fiscal year.

Mr. Michael Escalante, MTPO Senior Planner, discussed the revisions recommended by the Technical Advisory Committee

MOTION: Melinda Koken moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2013-14 to 2017-18 Transportation Improvement Program with the Technical Advisory Committee revisions shown in Exhibit 1. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. SW 34TH STREET AT ARCHER ROAD INTERSECTION- SOUTHBOUND RIGHT-TURN MOVEMENT

Mr. Sanderson stated the FDOT has completed its analysis of the SW 34th Street at Archer Road Intersection. He discussed the recommendations for the

KT discussed the SW 34th Street at Archer Road Intersection and answered questions.

MOTION: Melinda Koken moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the FDOT SW 34th Street at Archer Road Intersection Conclusion recommendations (see Exhibit 2) and incorporate the changes into the List of Priority Projects. Nelle Bullock seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that, each year, priorities are developed 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 this year's draft List of Priority Projects includes projects from the Year 2035 Livable Community Reinvestment Plan and from local agency recommendations. In order to accommodate Regional Transit System (RTS) staff, he asked the CAC to address transit priorities.

Mr. Jesus Gomez, RTS Director, and Mr. Matthew Muller, RTS Planner, discussed transit priorities and answered questions. Mr. Muller announced the Enhanced Transit Open House.

Mr. Sanderson discussed the remaining draft tables and answered questions.

MOTION: Melinda Koken moved to recommend the MTPO approve the List of Priority Projects incorporating the changes to the Archer Road/SW 34th Street intersection. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. SW 8TH AVENUE MULTI-USE PATH

Mr. Sanderson stated that Alachua County Public Works Department requested an opportunity to present the SW 8th Avenue Multi-Use Path 60 Percent Design Plans.

Mr. Brian Singleton, Alachua County Transportation Engineering Manager, discussed the SW 8th Avenue Multi-Use Path 60 Percent Design Plans and answered questions.

MOTION: Rob Brinkman moved to recommend that the MTPO approve SW 8th Avenue Multi-Use Path 60 Percent Design Plans. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE- VACANT POSITIONS

Chair Frentzen noted that the MTPO's decision to vote to fill new vacancies as they occur has made this topic moot.

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

September 18, 2013
Date

Rob Brinkman vice-chair
Jan Frentzen, Chair *for*

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EXHIBIT 1

**Revisions to Draft Transportation Improvement Program
Presented at the May 22, 2013 Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting**

Illustration	Table	Page	Modification
III	6	33; 36	Include the University of Florida shared-use path from Illustration VIII and Table 12
V	-	39	Show construction in Fiscal Year 2013-14 for SW 13th Street at Archer Road and SW 16th Avenue intersections; remove construction from Archer Road at SW 16th Avenue intersection
VIII	-	55	Show construction of sidewalks in Fiscal Year 2012-13 on NW 34th Street Westside from NW 23rd Terrace to WalMart and NW 23rd Street from NW 34th Street to NW 62 Avenue
VIII	12	55	Move the University of Florida shared-use path to Illustration III and Table 6
X	-	61	Show <u>NW 8th Avenue</u> from NW 41st Street to NW 6th Street lane reduction/resurfacing project for construction in Fiscal Year 2012-13
XI	15	67; 69	Add <u>Hull Road</u> construction from SW 38th Terrace to SW 34th Street, with design in Fiscal Year 2012-13 and construction in Fiscal Year 2013-14 [developer funded project cost estimates not provided]
XI	15	67; 71	Add <u>SW 38th Terrace</u> construction from SW 20th Avenue to Hull Road, with design in Fiscal Year 2012-13 and construction in Fiscal Year 2013-14 [developer funded project cost estimates not provided]
XI	15	67; 68	Include termini for Celebration Point Boulevard from Archer Road to SW 47th Way in project location and modify Illustration XI for flyover terminus
-	15	71	Place SW 8th Avenue Extension from SW 143rd Street to SW 122nd Street Design and Construction in Fiscal Year 2014-15 with local and County Incentive Grant Program funding
-	15	74	Delete "includes flyover" from SW 30th Avenue project description
-	17	81	Include <u>Transit Maintenance Facility</u> State Infrastructure Bank Loan repayment with \$4 million in Fiscal Year 2015-16 and \$4.1 million in Fiscal Year 2016-17 using Surface Transportation Program funds

Note; Shaded rows are administrative revisions to the document that were provided at the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting.

EXHIBIT 2

CONCLUSION:

Based on the Synchro/Sim Traffic analyses and our site investigations, restriping the outside lane of the north approach of the SR 24/SR 121 intersection to form a right turn only lane would reduce delay to the right turn movement. However, the delay to the north approach would be increased since the number of through lanes would be reduced from three lanes to two. In addition, the through traffic on this approach is expected to queue beyond the Windmeadows Boulevard intersection.

This study also identified other improvements that could improve traffic operations at the intersection. Constructing a right turn lane on the east approach of SR 24 at the SR 121 intersection will greatly reduce delay and vehicle queues, especially during the afternoon peak when frequently traffic backs up more than a mile in length. In addition, lengthening one of the left turn lanes on the north approach of SR 121 at the same intersection will improve traffic operations by providing additional storage for the vehicles turning left.