

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

May 17, 2017  
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

E. J. Bolduc  
Thomas Bolduc  
Mary Ann DeMatas  
Luis Diaz  
Jan Frentzen, Vice-Chair  
Delia Kradolfer  
Gilbert Levy  
Chandler Otis  
James Samec  
Ruth Steiner  
Paul Thur de Koos

Rob Brinkman, Chair  
Nelle Bullock  
John Pickett  
Ewen Thomson

Dekova Batey

Michael Escalante  
Scott Koons

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Vice-Chair Frentzen introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Vice-Chair Frentzen asked that the agenda be approved.

**MOTION: Thomas Bolduc moved to approve the meeting agenda. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Vice-Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the March 15, 2017 Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.

**MOTION: Thomas Bolduc moved to approve the March 15, 2017 Citizens Advisory Committee minutes. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously**

IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT -  
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-17 TO 2020-21  
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 CAPITAL GRANT

Michael Escalante, Senior Planner, stated that the Florida Department of Transportation has requested an amendment to the Fiscal Years 2016-17 to 2020-21 Transportation Improvement Program. He reported that the amendment is for the purchase of one vehicle and wheelchair tie-downs for existing vehicles funded by a Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Capital Grant.

**MOTION: E. J. Bolduc moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization amend the Fiscal Years 2016-17 to 2020-21 Transportation Improvement Program to add the purchase of one vehicle and wheelchair tie-downs for existing vehicles funded by a Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Capital Grant. Thomas Bolduc seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

V. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT -  
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017-18 TO 2021-22

Mr. Escalante 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 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. He discussed the project in the draft Transportation Improvement Program, including modifications by the Florida Department of Transportation in response to Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization comments, and answered questions.

**MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approve the Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2021-22 Transportation Improvement Program. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

VI. 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, reported the Technical Advisory Committee recommendation and answered questions.

Dekova Batey, Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator, discussed the Downtown Connector crossing and answered questions.

**MOTION: Thomas Bolduc moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approve the Fiscal Years 2018-19 to 2022-23 List of Priority Projects revisions shown in Exhibit 1. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

**MOTION: Ruth Steiner moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization refer the Glen Springs Braid project to its Technical Advisory Committee to identify segments for Safe Routes to School funding in the Fiscal Years 2019-20 to 2023-24 List of Priority Projects. Thomas Bolduc seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

VII. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN

Mr. Escalante stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization reviews the Public Involvement Plan each year. He discussed revisions to the plan and answered questions.

**MOTION: Thomas Bolduc moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization approve the revised Public Involvement Plan. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

VIII. COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Mr. Escalante stated that the Citizens Advisory Committee needs to elect a new Chair and Vice-Chair. He also stated that Rob Brinkman is the current Chair and Jan Frentzen is the current Vice-Chair.

**MOTION: Gilbert Levy moved to re-elect Rob Brinkman as the Citizens Advisory Committee Chair and Jan Frentzen as the Citizens Advisory Committee Vice-Chair. Chandler Otis seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

8/8/18  
Date

  
Ruth Steiner, Chair