

MINUTES

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

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

April 3, 2019  
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Craig Brashier  
Alyssa Brown  
Nelle Bullock  
Mary Ann DeMatas  
Gilbert Levy  
Chandler Otis, Vice-Chair  
John Pickett  
James Samec  
Ruth Steiner, Chair  
Luke Tia  
Chris Towne

MEMBERS ABSENT

Thomas Bolduc  
Jan Frentzen  
Paul Thur de Koos  
Joshua Williams

OTHERS PRESENT

Mari Schwabacher

STAFF PRESENT

Michael Escalante  
Scott Koons

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ruth Steiner called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Steiner introduced herself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Steiner asked for approval of the agenda.

Michael Escalante, Senior Planner, asked for an amendment to the agenda to defer item V. Bylaws Amendment and add as item V2. Florida Department of Transportation Revenue Forecast.

**MOTION: Chris Towne moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to defer item V. Bylaws Amendment to a future Citizens Advisory Committee meeting and add as item V2. Florida Department of Transportation Revenue Forecast. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Steiner asked for approval of the February 6, 2019 Citizens Advisory Committee meeting minutes.

**MOTION: James Samec moved to approve the February 6, 2019 Citizens Advisory Committee minutes. Chris Towne seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENT -  
BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN SAFETY STUDY PROJECTS

Mr. Escalante stated that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization needs to amend its Transportation Improvement Program in order to receive the Federal Highway Administration grant funds for the bicycle/pedestrian safety study. He discussed the bicycle/pedestrian safety study and answered questions.

**ACTION: Alyssa Brown moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization amend its Transportation Improvement Program in order to receive the Federal Highway Administration grant funds for the bicycle/pedestrian safety study (Exhibit 1). Gil Levy seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

V. BYLAWS AMENDMENT [Deferred]

Item V. Bylaws Amendment was deferred to a future Citizens Advisory Committee meeting.

V2. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REVENUE FORECAST

Mr. Escalante stated that the Florida Department of Transportation requested an opportunity to present the revenue forecast process. He discussed the revenue forecast categories for the Year 2040 Long-Range Transportation Plan and the revenue forecast process for the Year 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan update and answered questions.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A member discussed safety concerns at the Rock Creek Subdivision entrance on State Road 121 (NW 34th Street).

**ACTION: Nelle Bullock moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization request that the Florida Department of Transportation reevaluate the intersection for safety warrants and, if warranted, install turnlanes at the State Road 121 (NW 34th Street) at NW 30th Place (Rock Creek Subdivision) intersection. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Escalante announced that the June 5, 2019 Citizens Advisory Committee meeting would be held at the City of Gainesville Traffic Management Center and would include a tour of the center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

6/5/19  
Date

  
Ruth Steiner, Chair

EXHIBIT 1



*Florida Department of Transportation*

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GOVERNOR

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KEVIN THIBAUT  
SECRETARY

March 18, 2019

Mr. Scott Koons, AICP  
Executive Director  
Gainesville MTPO  
2009 NW 67<sup>th</sup> Place  
Gainesville, FL 32653

Re: FDOT Request: Amendments to the Gainesville MTPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FY 2018/19 – 2022/23

Dear Mr. Koons:

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for FY 2018/19 – 2022/2023. Please add the following TIP Amendments request for action by the TPO Board at the April meeting.

**ALACHUA COUNTY**

**445061-1 City of Gainesville/UF Arterial Corridor  
Traffic Control Devices/System**

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>FY 2020</u>
TSM	Construction	100,000

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Traffic Control Devices/System**

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>FY 2020</u>
TSM	Construction	100,000

**445186-1 University of Florida/Gainesville Pedestrian Aid Grant**

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>FY 2020</u>
TSM	Construction	800,000

Approval of this TIP Amendment will not affect the funding or advancement of other projects in the FY 2018/19 – 2022/23 TIP.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information for these requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'MS', is written above the typed name.

Mari Schwabacher  
Gainesville MTPO Liaison  
FDOT District Two