

MINUTES

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

NCFRPC Charles F. Justice Conference Room
2009 NW 67th Place
Gainesville, Florida

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
April 21, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
Nelle Bullock
Mary Ann DeMatas
George Blake Fletcher
Sharon Hawkey
Valerie Rosenkrantz
James Samec
Ewen Thomson
Gary Weed

MEMBERS ABSENT

Harvey Budd
Tom Collett
Seth Lane
Chandler Otis
Ruth Steiner

OTHERS PRESENT

Oriya Cunningham
Doreen Joyner-Howard
Phil Mann
Doug Robinson
Karen Taulbee
Matt Weisman

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Mike 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 for approval of the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to approve the meeting agenda. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to approve the March 3, 2010 CAC minutes. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 10th at 3:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the CAC's next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for June 2nd.

It was a consensus of the CAC to reschedule the August 11th meeting to August 4th.

V. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS)- STATUS REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that City of Gainesville Public Works staff was present to provide a TMS status report. He noted that the CAC Chair requested this presentation to the CAC.

Mr. Matt Weismann, City of Gainesville ITS Operations Engineer, and Mr. Phil Mann, City of Gainesville Traffic Operations Manager, discussed the TMS and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson suggested discussing Unfunded Project Priorities next in order to accommodate Regional Transit System (RTS) staff.

It was a consensus of the CAC to discuss agenda item VII. Unfunded project priorities.

VII. UNFUNDED PROJECT PRIORITIES

Mr. Sanderson stated that, each year, the MTPO develops recommended transportation priorities for projects that are needed but not currently funded. He said that this information is used by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) each fall to develop its Tentative Five Year Work Program. He added that, by Florida Statute, the MTPO's "List of Priority Projects" must be submitted to FDOT by October 1, 2010. He noted that FDOT staff has asked for the MTPO's Fiscal Years 2011/2012 - 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects as soon as possible so that it may begin development of its Tentative Five Year Work Program. He asked the CAC to discuss Table 5- Public Transportation Priorities.

Mr. Doug Robinson, RTS Chief Transit Planner, discussed Table 5- Public Transportation Priorities and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson noted that the Technical Advisory Committee developed a new Table 1- Enhancement Priorities. He, Mr. Michael Escalante, MTPO Senior Planner, and Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the remaining tables in the draft Fiscal Years 2011/2012 - 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects and answered questions.

ACTION: Ewen Thomson moved to revise Table 1- Enhancement Priorities to change Priority #9 to add bicycle connectivity in the description and extend the project limit to E 15 Street. Sharon Hawkey seconded motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Ewen Thompson moved to revise Table 1- Enhancement Priorities to move Priority #9 E University Avenue Refuge Islands Project to Priority #2. Valerie Rosenkrantz seconded motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sanderson continued discussion of the draft Fiscal Years 2011/2012 - 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects and answered questions.

ACTION: Ewen Thompson moved recommend that the MTPO approve Table 2-Intelligent Transportation System Priorities and to revise Table 3- Landscape Priorities to move Priority #3 W 6 Street Rail/Trail Landscaping Project to Priority #1. Valerie Rosenkrantz seconded motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sanderson continued discussion of the draft Fiscal Years 2011/2012 - 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects and answered questions.

Chair Frentzen discussed his concerns about the Interstate 75 at NW 39 Avenue intersection.

Mr. Sanderson stated that he would have Mr. Escalante report these concerns to the Alachua County Traffic Safety Team.

Mr. Sanderson and Mr. Escalante continued discussion of the draft Fiscal Years 2011/2012 - 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects and answered questions.

ACTION: Sharon Hawkey moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2011/2012 – 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects amended to substitute Table 1-CAC for Table 1 (Exhibit 1) and Table 3-CAC for Table 3 (Exhibit 2). Rob Brinkman seconded motion passed unanimously.

VI. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO's consultant was prepared to discuss the E+C highway and transit assignment results.

ACTION: Sharon Hawkey moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Fiscal Years 2010/2011-2014/2015 Transportation Improvement Program. James Samec seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT APPLICATIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested two new Enhancement Project Applications

ACTION: Valerie Rosenkrantz moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. request that appropriate staff prepare enhancement applications for the SW 8 Avenue Sidewalk Project and E University Avenue Pedestrian Refuge Islands Project and submit them to MTPO staff by Wednesday May, 19, 2010;and**
- 2. approve the submission of these two enhancement applications.**

Blake Fletcher seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the staff services agreement between the MTPO and the Regional planning Council (RPC) requires submission of the budget to support the transportation planning staff. He said that MTPO staff is forwarding for its consideration the UPWP. He added that the UPWP outlines and describes planning efforts to be undertaken by participating agencies to maintain a comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation planning program in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area for a two-year period. He discussed the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 - 2012/2013 UPWP and answered questions.

ACTION: Valerie Rosenkrantz moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 – 2012/2013 UPWP with the understanding that additional administrative revisions requested by state and federal review agencies will be made as necessary by MTPO staff. Sharon Hawkey seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Chair Frentzen noted that he had received a letter of resignation from Ms. Sharon Hawkey. He read the letter to the CAC.

Mr. Sanderson noted that Ms. Hawkey received the Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award.

Chair Frentzen discussed whether there was interest from CAC members to become advisory group to the City of Gainesville.

Mr. Sanderson suggested that the CAC Chair develop a draft letter for the CAC to consider.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

6/2/2010
Date

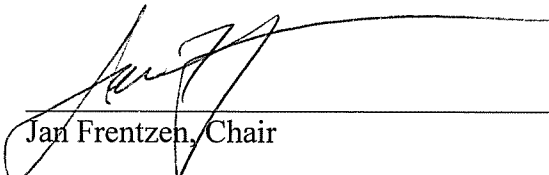

Jan Frentzen, Chair

EXHIBIT 1

TABLE 1-CAC

**FISCAL YEARS 2011/2012 - 2015/2016
ENHANCEMENT PRIORITIES
(within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area)**

(Note: Projects in italic text are partially funded, as identified in the Transportation Improvement Program.)

NUMBER	PROJECT	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
1 <i>Partially Funded</i>	SW 8 Avenue	FM: Parker Road TO: SW 91 Street	Construct ADA-compliant concrete sidewalk
2	E University Avenue [SR 26]	FM: E 9 Street TO: E 15 Street	Pedestrian refuge islands/ bicycle connectivity
3	UF Cross Campus Trail [part of the Archer Braid*]	FM: SW 34 Street TO: Archer Road	Construct bicycle/pedestrian trail
4	Hull Road Extension Trail North [part of the Archer Braid*]	FM: SW 20 Avenue TO: SW 34 Street [SR 121]	Construct bicycle/pedestrian trail
5	SW 23 Road Trail [part of the Bivens Braid*]	FM: SW 23 Terrace TO: Archer Road [SR 24]	Construct bicycle/pedestrian trail
6	Downtown East Central Trail	FM: Depot Avenue TO: NE 39 Avenue [SR 222]	Construct bicycle/pedestrian trail
7	Hull Road Extension Trail North [part of the Archer Braid*]	AT: SW 34 Street [SR 121]	Construct bicycle/pedestrian grade-separated crossing
8	SW 43 Street	FM: SW 40 Boulevard TO: SW 20 Avenue	Construct ADA-compliant sidewalk
9	NW 3 Street	FM: W University Avenue TO: NW 8 Avenue	Construct ADA-compliant sidewalk
10	Bus Stop Upgrades for ADA compliance	AT: RTS Systemwide	Construct ADA-compliant bus stops and sidewalk connections

*2004 Alachua Countywide Bicycle Master Plan Addendum

ADA- Americans with Disabilities Act
RTS- Regional Transit System
UF- University of Florida

Initial Enhancement Priorities were developed by the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board.

EXHIBIT 2

TABLE 3-CAC

**FISCAL YEARS 2011/2012 - 2015/2016
LANDSCAPING PRIORITIES-
STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM (SHS) ONLY*
(within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area)**

(Note: Projects in italic text are partially funded, as identified in the Transportation Improvement Program.)

NUMBER	PROJECT	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION
1	West 6 Street Rail/Trail	FM: Depot Avenue TO: NW 16 Avenue	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
2	SW 34 Street [SR 121]	FM: Williston Road [SR331] TO: Archer Road [SR 24]	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
3	Williston Road [SR331]	FM: SW 34 Street [SR 121] TO: SW 23 Terrace	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
4	NW 13 Street [US 441]	FM: NW 39 Avenue [SR 222] TO: NW 6 Street [SR 20]	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
5	NW 39 Avenue [SR 222]	FM: NW 43 Street TO: NW 34 Street [SR 121]	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
6	Hawthorne Road [SR 20]	FM: SE 27 Street TO: SE 55 Boulevard	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
7	Archer Road [SR 24]	FM: SW 91 Street TO: Interstate 75	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible
8	Newberry Road [SR 26]	FM: NW 98 Street TO: Interstate 75	provide shade tree landscaping for pedestrian facilities where possible and landscaping to grassed medians where it is not possible

* Projects must be constructible within the available State Road right-of-way.

Initial Landscaping Priorities were developed by Alachua County and City of Gainesville Public Works Department staff.