

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
April 1, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
Sheryl Conner
Harvey Budd
Nelle Bullock
Mary Ann DeMatas
Sharon Hawkey
Seth Lane
James Samec
Greg Sholar
Ruth Steiner
Ewen Thomson
Gary Weed

MEMBERS ABSENT

George Blake Fletcher
Chandler Otis

OTHERS PRESENT

Whit Blanton
Paul Cherry
Amber Gartner
Jesus Gomez
Rob Gregg
Milton Locklear
Bill Morris
Doug Robinson
Karen Taulbee
Despina Veillieux

STAFF PRESENT

Mike Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:03 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: Sharon Hawkey moved to approve the meeting agenda. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the CAC meeting minutes.

ACTION: James Samec moved to approve the December 3, 2008 minutes and the February 25, 2009 minutes. Sharon Hawkey seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Michael Escalante, MTPO Senior Planner, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for April 20th at 6:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the CAC's next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for April 29th.

V. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the TIP is the most important document that is approved annually by the MTPO. He said that the TIP 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 \$14 million in Federal funds for projects within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area over the next fiscal year.

ACTION: Sharon Hawkey moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2009/2010 - 2013/2014 Transportation Improvement Program with any necessary administrative changes. Ruth Steiner seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. CITY OF GAINESVILLE BUS RAPID TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Doug Robinson, Regional Transit System (RTS) Chief Transit Planner, stated that consultants from the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) were present to provide a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Feasibility Study status report.

Mr. Bill Morris, CUTR Senior Research Associate, discussed the status of the BRT Study and answered questions.

VII. ARCHER ROAD/SW 16TH AVENUE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

Mr. Escalante stated that the City's consultant has submitted alternatives for the Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study.

Mr. Paul Cherry, Kimley-Horn Traffic Engineer, discussed the alternatives for the Archer Road/SW 16th Avenue PD&E Study and answered questions.

Mr. Robinson answered questions about RTS transit operations.

VIII. YEAR 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) UPDATE-
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

Mr. Escalante stated that the MTPO's consultant has prepared a draft Public Participation Plan for the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update.

Mr. Whit Blanton, Renaissance Planning Group (RPG) Vice President, discussed the draft Public Participation Plan for the Year 2035 LRTP Update and status of the LRTP update and answered questions.

ACTION: Sharon Hawkey moved to recommend that the MTPO approved the YEAR 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update- Public Participation Plan as a completed document. Sheryl Conner seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. YEAR 2035 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE-
APRIL 23RD COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

Mr. Escalante announced that April 23rd at 5:30 p.m. is the first workshop for the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update.

X. COMMITTEE OFFICER ELECTIONS

Mr. Escalante stated that it was time to select committee officers. He said that Jan Frentzen is the CAC Chair and Rob Brinkman is the CAC Vice Chair.

ACTION: Sheryl Conner moved to reappoint Jan Frentzen as CAC Chair and Rob Brinkman as CAC Vice Chair. Sharon Hawkey seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

5/27/09
Date


Jan Frentzen, Chair