MINUTES

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

Grace Knight Conference Room Alachua County Administration Building Gainesville, Florida 7:00 p.m. Wednesday February 27, 2002

MEMBERS PRESENT MEMBERS ABSENT OTHERS PRESENT STAFF PRESENT

Joe Wilson, Chair Anne Barkdoll Richard Fletcher James Foust Jan Frentzen Scherwin Henry James Higman Matthew Hurst Doug Hornbeck Roberta Lopez

Tony Porter John Skelly Cindy Smith Carol Higman Doreen Joyner-Howard Brian Kanely Karen Taulbee Suraya Teeple Marlie Sanderson Gerry Dedenbach

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Joe Wilson, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Vanessa Gordon

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Wilson introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, requested that the agenda be amended to move item V. A. lower awaiting the arrival of Mr. Brian Kanely, City of Gainesville Transportation Services Manager.

It was the consensus of the CAC to approve its agenda, amended to move item V. A. lower awaiting Mr. Kanely's arrival.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Tony Porter moved to approve the January 30, 2002 minutes. James Higman seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Dedenbach announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for March 14 at 1:30 p.m. He said that the next CAC meeting is scheduled for March 27.

V. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

A. CITY OF GAINESVILLE PARKING GARAGE

Mr. Dedenbach stated that, at its last meeting, the CAC approved a recommendation to request that the MTPO ask the City of Gainesville to reverse the travel directions on the SW 1st Street and SW 2nd Street one-way pair.

Mr. Brian Kanely, City of Gainesville Transportation Services Manager, discussed the SW 1st Street and SW 2nd Street one-way pair and answered questions.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to recommend that MTPO staff present, to the City Commission, the City of Gainesville Parking Garage issue and the CAC's concerns including crash data. Tony Porter seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Jan Frentzen moved to recommend that the City of Gainesville analyze traffic flow alternatives with special consideration to the unit block of SW 2nd Street with issues of safety and onstreet parking. James Higman seconded; motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Anne Barkdoll moved to recommend that the City Commission and their architect consider moving the trees and the greenspace to the edge of the sidewalk next to the curb to maximize tree canopy and shade. Cindy Smith seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Kanely stated that the City of Gainesville Public Works Department would take the CAC's concerns into consideration and provide a report back to the CAC at its next meeting.

B. US 441 BICYCLE SAFETY STUDY

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, discussed the US 441 Bicycle Safety Study February Report that was reviewed by the Design Team and various members of the MTPO Advisory Committees at meetings held February 19. He reported the Design Team recommendations.

Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Transportation Planner, discussed the US 441 Bicycle Safety Study and answered questions.

ACTION: John Skelly moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. request that FDOT construct the seven-foot option (five-foot bikelane with two-foot rumble strip) as soon as possible because it meets budget and safety eligibility; and
- 2. discuss the linear park issues (such as the four-lane to two-lane option, off road bike paths and others) as a possible long-term solution for the corridor.

James Higman seconded; motion passed 10 to 2.

ACTION: Doug Hornbeck moved to recommend that the MTPO request that the consultant consider an option with a multi-use paved path, adjacent to the northbound lanes, which will encourage parking adjacent to the southbound lanes. Cindy Smith seconded; motion passed 8 to 3.

C. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that, each year, the FDOT asks the MTPO to apply for enhancement-funded projects. He discussed the status of current enhancement-funded projects, reported the TAC recommendation and answered questions.

A member of the CAC requested County staff present the current projects at the next meeting.

ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to recommend that the MTPO not submit any new applications this year. James Foust seconded; motion passed unanimously.

D. GRAPHIC DEPICTIONS

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the CAC, at its last meeting, requested a discussion of the accuracy of graphic depictions for presentations. He noted that the CAC recommended that graphic depiction should have a margin or error not exceeding 10 percent of relative scale.

ACTION: Jan Frentzen moved to recommend that the MTPO amend its Urban Design Policy Manual to require, and the CAC will only accept, professional presentations that are depicted within 10 percent of relative scale. Cindy Smith seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. CITY AND COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANS AND MTPO PLAN CONSISTENCY ISSUES

Mr. Sanderson discussed the City and County comprehensive plans and MTPO long range transportation plan consistency issues and answered questions.

ACTION: Matthew Hurst moved to recommend that the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners retain the urban services line as most recently transmitted to the Florida Department of Community Affairs. Anne Barkdoll seconded; motion passed 8 to 1.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Date Joseph N. Wilson, Chair