

MINUTES

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

Conference Room
North Central Florida Regional Planning Council
Gainesville, Florida

7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
October 24, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Frentzen, Chair
Rob Brinkman, Vice Chair
John Carlson
Sheryl Conner
Thomas Hawkins
Chandler Otis
Tom Reilly
Robert Reller
Greg Sholar
Ewen Thomson
Gary Weed

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sharon Hawkey
Larry Vettel

OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Alderman
Dave Cerlanek
Martin Gold
Richard Hedrick
Rachel Humphrey
Mike McGhee
Samir Parab
Terry Shaw
Jennifer Spagnoli

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Mike Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jan Frentzen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were done at the request of Chair Frentzen.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Frentzen asked for approval of the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Bob Reller moved to approve the meeting agenda. John Carlson seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Bob Reller moved to approve the June 27, 2007 minutes. Sheryl Conner seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for December 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the CAC's next meeting is scheduled for November 28th.

V. AIRPORT ACCESS ROAD

Mr. Sanderson stated that Airport Access Road Conceptual Design Plans have been submitted to the Design Team for review and comment.

Ms. Rachel Humphrey, RW Armstrong Senior Engineer, discussed the Airport Access Road Conceptual Design Plans and answered questions

ACTION: Bob Reller moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Gainesville Regional Airport Entrance Road Conceptual Design Plan John Carlson seconded.

FRIENDLY

AMENDMENT: Ewen Thomson moved to add replacing the sidewalks with at least an 8-foot offroad bicycle/pedestrian trail on one side of the road.

ACTION AS AMENDED:

Bob Reller moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Gainesville Regional Airport Entrance Road Conceptual Design Plan replacing the sidewalks with at least an 8-foot offroad bicycle/pedestrian trail on one side of the road. John Carlson seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. MAIN STREET 60 PERCENT DESIGN PLAN- N 8TH AVENUE TO N 23RD AVENUE

Mr. Sanderson stated that Alachua County Public Works Department requested that the MTPO Advisory Committees review and comment on the Main Street 60 Percent Design Plans. He discussed the Design Team and MTPO staff recommendations and answered questions.

Ms. Jennifer Spagnoli, Alachua County Traffic Engineer, and Mr. Dave Cerlanek, Alachua County Assistant Public Works Director, discussed the Main Street 60 Percent Design Plans and answered questions.

ACTION: Bob Reller moved to recommend that the Alachua County Commission approve the Main Street 60 Percent Design Plans with the following additional comments to:

- 1. relocate the post office entrance to align with N 14th Avenue;**

2. **reaffirm desire for hardscape behind the sidewalk on the east side of Main Street between N 8th Avenue to the north Good Year lot line; and**
3. **explore the cost of incorporating tree wells (unit cost per tree well) within the proposed hardscaped area.**

Sheryl Conner seconded; motion passed 9 to 2.

VII. SW 62ND BOULEVARD CONNECTOR STUDY

Mr. Bob Reller, CAC member, declared a conflict of interest (see Exhibit 1).

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Alachua County consultant for the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector Study project has submitted 4-lane corridor alignments for review and comment.

Mr. Terri Shaw, HNTB Project Manager, discussed the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector Study alignment alternatives and evaluation criteria and answered questions.

ACTION: Rob Brinkman moved to recommend that the MTPO approve:

1. **for testing as two general purpose lanes, four general purpose lanes and two general purpose lanes plus two dedicated transit lanes;**
 - A. **the four 4-lane alignment alternatives;**
 - B. **a fifth alternative consisting of Alternative 3 with following additional two-lane facilities:**
 - i. **SW 62nd Boulevard extended south to SW 24th Avenue;**
 - ii **SW 24th Avenue extended west to the SW 62nd extension; and**
 - iii. **SW 40th Boulevard extended north to connect to SW 62nd Boulevard extension at the SW 24th Avenue extension;**
 - C. **a sixth alternative consisting of Alternative 1 including the substitution of SW 37th Boulevard connection to Archer Road for SW 40th Boulevard; and**
 - D. **a seventh alternative consisting of Alternative 2 including the substitution of SW 37th Boulevard connection to Archer Road for SW 40th Boulevard; and**
2. **that testing include the SW 40th Boulevard extension south of Archer Road.**

Gary Weed seconded; motion passed 10 to 0 with one abstention.

ACTION: Thomas Hawkins moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the evaluation criteria with the addition of transit load factors and historical/archeological data. Greg Sholar seconded; motion passed 10 to 0 with one abstention.

VIII. ARCHER BRAID BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN CORRIDOR DESIGN STUDY

Mr. Sanderson stated that Professor Martin Gold, Florida Community Design Center Executive Director, has completed the Archer Braid Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor Design Study.

Professor Gold discuss the Archer Braid Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor Design Study and answered questions.

ACTION: Bob Reller moved to recommend that the MTPO accept the Archer Braid Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor Design Study as a completed planning. Thomas Hawkins seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IX. INTERSTATE TRAVELER HYDROGEN SUPERHIGHWAY

Mr. Sanderson stated that the CAC need to decide whether to receive a presentation on this project. He reported that there were two possible meeting dates, November 5th and December 1st.

It was a consensus of the CAC to not receive a presentation.

XI. CAC ATTENDANCE POLICY

Mr. Sanderson stated that Chair Frentzen asked that the CAC discuss whether to ask the MTPO to appoint CAC Alternate Members.

Chair Frentzen discussed suggesting that the MTPO could appoint alternates that could fill vacancies during the year should they occur.

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Date

Jan Frentzen, Chair