

MEETING SUMMARY  
GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY  
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)  
**DESIGN TEAM**

NCFRPC Conference Room  
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.  
May 20, 2003

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Linda Dixon, Chair E. J. Bolduc Kathy Fanning Jesus Gomez Doreen Joyner-Howard Brian Kanely Bill Lecher Kristen Nowicki Dom Nozzi Chandler Otis/Julia Reiskind Reid Rivers Cindy Smith	Meg Niederhofer Vice Chair Jennifer Auger Gwendolyn Pra	Richard Miles	Marlie Sanderson Thomas Hill Mike Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Linda Dixon, University of Florida Facilities Planning and Construction Planning Office Manager, called the meeting to order at 1:10.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Dixon requested that the Design Team approve the meeting agenda.

A member of the Design Team requested discussion of the Main Street Reconstruction Project.

**ACTION: Cindy Smith moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to include discussion of the Main Street Reconstruction Project. Jesus Gomez seconded; motion passed 11 to 1.**

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Dixon introduced herself and asked those present to introduce themselves.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, noted that there was a Technical Advisory Subcommittee meeting scheduled for 3:00 p.m.

### III. US 441 BICYCLE SAFETY PROJECT

Mr. Thomas Hill, MTPO Senior Planner stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) staff has submitted US 441 Bicycle Safety Project design plans. He discussed some photos of the project area.

Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, FDOT District 2 Transportation Planner, discussed the US 441 Bicycle Safety Project design plans and answered questions.

**ACTION: Reid Rivers moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the US 441 Bicycle Safety Project design plans and to request that FDOT reduce the number of signs. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed 9to 3.**

### IV. DESIGN PLAN REVIEW PERCENTAGE REVIEWS

Mr. Thomas Hill, MTPO Senior Planner, stated that FDOT staff has requested discussion of the design plan review process. He recommended that the Design Team begin to develop design plan review procedures.

Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed FDOT's concern regarding the design plan review process and answered questions.

Mr Sanderson discussed MTPO staff's recommendation.

**It was a consensus of the Design Team to recommend that the MTPO amend its Urban Design Policy Manual project review procedures to be a two stage process:**

**Stage One- Each fall, the Design Team reviews the FDOT Tentative Work Program and selects projects to review at the scoping stage.**

**Stage Two- Review 30 percent and 60 percent design plans.**

### IV<sub>B</sub>. MAIN STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

A member of the Design Team discussed her concerns regarding landscaping for the Main Street resurfacing project.

Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed the Main Street landscaping and answered questions. She said that FDOT staff would work with Gainesville Regional Utilities staff regarding these landscaping issues.

**It was a consensus to have FDOT present 60 percent design plans on the Main Street Reconstruction Project as an information item at the next Design Team meeting.**

## V. CONTEXT SENSITIVE CORRIDORS

Mr. Sanderson stated that a Design Team member of the requested a status report on context sensitive corridors. He discussed the status of context sensitive corridors and answered questions.

## VI. HOGTOWN CREEK LANDSCAPING STATUS REPORT

Mr. Hill and Ms. Joyner-Howard discussed the status of the Hogtown Creek landscaping project and answered questions.

A member of the Design Team requested an update from FDOT on the legislative bill 626.

## VII. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Chair Dixon announced that the next MTPO meeting is June 19 and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for June 17.

## VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of information items.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.