

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

NCFRPC Conference Room
Gainesville, Florida

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.
October 21, 2008

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>
Emery Swearingen, Chair Susan Bridges Niemann Ha Nguyen Meg Niederhofer John Richter Reid Rivers Karen Taulbee Gary Weed	Linda Dixon Kathy Fanning Beth Jordan Jonathan Paul Doug Robinson	Bob Alderman Brian Kanely	Marlie Sanderson

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Emery Swearingen, City of Gainesville Public Works Manager, called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Swearingen introduced himself and requested introductions.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Swearingen requested action on the meeting agenda.

ACTION: John Richter moved to approve the meeting agenda. Reid Rivers seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. SW 62ND BOULEVARD- INTERIM PROJECTS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, state that the Alachua County consultant has submitted the SW 62nd Boulevard Interim Projects scoping plans.

Mr. Terry Shaw, HNTB Project Manager, discussed the three SW 62nd Boulevard Interim Projects scoping plans and answered questions.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. approve the scoping plans for the three interim projects with the understanding that the mast arms will be painted black; and**
- 2. request that Alachua County execute a maintenance agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) if such an agreement is required by FDOT in order to have black mast arms.**

Reid Rivers seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. SW 20TH AVENUE- SCOPING PLANS

Chair Robinson stated that FDOT staff has submitted scoping plans for SW 20th Avenue from SW 43rd Street to SW 34th Street.

Mr. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, discussed the SW 20th Avenue scoping plans and answered questions.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see Exhibit 1), considering the following elements in design as this project progresses:

- 1. amend the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road);**
- 2. consider moving the sidewalk back to accommodate a planting strip where appropriate and applicable; and**
- 3. consider reducing the bus lane to 11-foot for the “Smart Bus Bay” typical section.**

Susan Nieman seconded.

Chair Swearingen request the motion be split regarding changes to the proposed plans.

SPLIT ACTION PART ONE:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section (see Exhibit 1), considering as this project progresses amending the typical section to show 11-foot travel lanes, 1-foot separation, and 5-foot bikelanes (similar to Millhopper Road). Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 7 to 1.

SPLIT ACTION PART TWO:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section, considering as this project progresses moving the sidewalk back to accommodate a planting strip where appropriate and applicable. Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 5 to 3.

SPLIT ACTION PART THREE:

John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the SW 20th Avenue Scoping Plans with the Alternative 1 Cross-Section, considering as this project progresses reducing the bus lane to 11-foot for the “Smart Bus Bay” typical section. Susan Nieman seconded; motion passed 7 to 1.

V. SIXTH STREET RAIL TRAIL PROJECT- SCOPING PLANS

Mr. Sanderson stated that City of Gainesville staff has submitted scoping plans for the W 6th Street Rail/Trail project.

Mr. Swearingen discussed the W 6th Street Rail/Trail project scoping plans and answered questions. He noted that the project was bifurcated into two phases, with Phase 1 from SE 4th Street to south of University Avenue and Phase 2 from south of University Avenue to NW 16th Avenue. He announced that the City would bring 60 percent plans to the Design Team for its January meeting.

ACTION: John Richter moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the W 6th Street Rail/Trail Project. Gary Weed seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 13th and the next Design Team meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18th.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.