CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Byerly called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He welcomed County Commissioner Paula DeLaney to the MTPO.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, noted that there were some Consent Agenda items that the MTPO or the public may want to be discuss, including CA. 10 Annual Performance Review and CA. 14 Public Involvement Plan Update. He also recommended that the MTPO amend the agenda to include a discussion of the pedestrian scale lighting, under Item IV. Landscape Plans- State Road 26A.

Chair Byerly asked if there was anyone present who wanted to speak concerning CA. 10 Annual Performance Review and CA. 14 Public Involvement Plan Update.

Ms. Lenora McGowan complimented MV Transportation’s service.

Mr. Mark Page asked to have CA. 20 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments placed on the meeting agenda. He said he wanted the MTPO to discuss the Williston Road Resurfacing Project.
ACTION: Mayor Hanrahan moved to place CA. 20 Transportation Improvement Program amendments on the regular meeting agenda, approve the remaining consent agenda items, and approve the regular agenda with one additional change to include a discussion of pedestrian scale lighting in regular meeting agenda IV. Landscape Plans- State Road 26A. Commissioner Pinkoson seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Chair Byerly stated that CA 20 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments would be discussed after Item IV. Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board Vacancy.

II. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE VACANT POSITIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needs to fill ten vacant positions on its CAC. He said that five positions have a term of office through December, 2007, two positions have a term of office through December, 2006 and three positions have a term of office through December, 2005. He noted that five appointments are due to term expirations, three appointments are due to CAC attendance policy violation and two are due to CAC members’ resignation.

The following applicants spoke concerning why they wanted to be appointed to the CAC:

Gerald Bodoh  Rob Brinkman  Chandler Otis  John Skelly
Ewen Thomson  Sven Hanson  Bob Reller  Gary Weed

ACTION: Commissioner Nielsen moved to:

1. reappoint Sharon Hawkey and John Skelly and appoint Robert Reller, Ewen Thomson and Gary Weed to the CAC for a term through December, 2007;

2. appoint Sven Hanson and Chandler Otis to the CAC for a term through December, 2006; and

3. appoint Gerald Bodoh, Rob Brinkman and Thomas Collett to the CAC for a term through December, 2005.

Commissioner Chestnut IV seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY BOARD VACANT POSITION

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needs to fill two vacant positions on its B/PAB. He said that one position has a term of office through October, 2006 and the other position has a term of office through December, 2007.
The following persons spoke regarding their B/PAB applications:

Ryan Saylor           Bill Radunovich

Mr. Sanderson conducted a rollcall vote and reported the results.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Bryant moved to appoint Bill Radunovich for a term through December, 2007 and to appoint Ryan Saylor to the B/PAB for a term through October, 2006. Commissioner Pinkoson seconded; motion passed unanimously.

A member of the MTPO noted that there was a vacancy on the B/PAB for the City to appoint.

**CA. 20 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) AMENDMENTS**

Mr. Sanderson reminded the MTPO that a citizen requested a discussion of one of the TIP amendments.

Mr. Mark Page discussed his concern about the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)-recommended closing of the median opening on Williston Road at SW 19th Street. He noted that there were 30 to 40 residences on SW 19th Street that will be affected.

Mr. James Bennett, FDOT District 2 Urban Area Transportation Development Engineer, discussed the three median openings along Williston Road resurfacing project area and answered questions. He noted that one would be a fully open median and one would be a directional opening.

Mr. Michael Fay, Alachua County Public Works Department Assistant Director, noted that the residents in this area did not want their roads paved.

Chief Will May, Alachua County Fire Rescue, stated that he would like to keep all three median openings for emergency vehicle access.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Chestnut IV moved to amend the Fiscal Years 2004/2005 - 2008/2009 Transportation Improvement Program to:

1. add Main Street, at S. 16th Avenue intersection, traffic signal project [FIN#2077453], $110,000, in Fiscal Year 2004/2005;

2. add Main Street, from SW 16th Avenue to Depot Avenue, raised medians project [FIN#2077452], $110,000, in Fiscal Year 2004/2005;

3. advance Newberry Road, from NW 107th Terrace to NW 80th Boulevard, resurfacing project [FIN#2075493], $2,146,000, in Fiscal Year 2004/2005;

4. advance Williston Road, from SW 34th Street to SW 13th Street, resurfacing project [FIN#2077343], $2,883,000, in Fiscal Year 2004/2005; and
5. advance SW 13th Street, from Williston Road to Archer Road, resurfacing project [FIN#2078497], $2,376,685, in Fiscal Year 2004/2005.

Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. LANDSCAPE PLANS- STATE ROAD 26A

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Florida Department of Transportation has submitted landscaping design plans for the State Road 26A reconstruction project from SW 38th Street to NW 21st Street. He said that the enclosed plans include the proposed landscape design for the right-of-way, storm water retention ponds along the length of the project area, the Hog Town Creek bridge details and the gateway fountain plans. He noted that the plans address Gainesville Regional Utilities’ concerns regarding the planting of trees and conflicts with utility locations. He reported the Advisory Committee and staff recommendations.

Mr. Fred Wright, FDOT Project Consultant Manager, discussed the State Road 26A landscape design plans and answered questions.

Mr. Bennett noted that FDOT would take the MTPO’s recommendations under advisement.

ACTION: Commissioner Lowe moved to:

1. authorize the MTPO Chair to send a letter to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 2 Secretary thanking the District for funding the SR 26/26A gateway pond; and

2. approve FDOT’s State Road 26A Landscape Plans with the following requested changes:

   A. relocate the sidewalk shown in the enclosed Exhibit 1 from location number three to location number two;

   B. reorient the south end of the sidewalk adjacent to the University of Florida President’s residence to maintain a utility strip of at least three feet to a point past the south end of the traffic separator on State Road 26A; and

   C. make corresponding changes to the landscape plans to address the changes requested in numbers 2.A and 2.B above.

Mayor Hanrahan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sanderson noted that the agenda was amended to include discussion of pedestrian scale lighting. He said that the MTPO may want to reconsider it’s decision to install Domus lighting.
Mr. Wright discussed the pedestrian scale lighting fixtures for the West University Avenue project and answered questions. He noted that the Domus fixture was not consistent with the typical Gainesville streetlighting schemes and was more expensive than the Acorn fixture.

A member of the MTPO asked to see the locations of the pedestrian scale lighting along W. University Avenue.

Several MTPO members said they would like to see pedestrian scale lighting installed along SW 2nd Avenue.

Chair Byerly requested that the MTPO receive information on the locations of both existing and proposed pedestrian scale and roadway lighting along West University Avenue and SW 2nd Avenue. He stated that the pedestrian scale lighting issue would be deferred until the next MTPO meeting.

Mr. Bennett noted that FDOT would be funding the purchase of the lighting fixtures and Gainesville Regional Utilities would be installing the lighting fixtures.

V. ARCHER ROAD/S. 16TH AVENUE CHARRETTE

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO, at its July 15 meeting, discussed the Archer Road/S. 16th Avenue Charrette. He reviewed the MTPO recommendations, discussed the Advisory Committee and staff recommendations and answered questions.

Mr. Ed Poppell, University of Florida Vice President for Finance and Administration, discussed the University’s planning and economic development efforts for the Archer Road triangle.

Mr. Dekova Batey, B/PAB Program Assistant, discussed the B/PAB’s recommendation and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to:

1. approve Option D- Intersection Reconfiguration;

2. amend the MTPO’s traffic operations priorities as shown in Exhibit 3 to include the new priority numbers three and four projects;

3. approve the revised Exhibits 1 and 2, with the understanding that the Archer Road at SW 13th Street intersection study will include consideration of the following:

   A. eliminating the SW 13th Street slip lane onto Archer Road and the designation of this area for bicycle/pedestrian use; and

   B. reconstructing the SW 13th Street slip lane onto Archer Road from a rural design to an urban design in order to reduce traffic speed; and
4. ask the University of Florida to prepare a detailed master plan for the
Archer Road triangle area which is based upon future development
plans for the University and Shands.

Commissioner Bryant seconded.

Mr. Sanderson discussed the status of the designation of State Road 24A Bypass and answered
questions.

Chair Byerly asked about the necessity for barbed wire on the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail bridge.

Mr. Bennett discussed the status of the barbed wire on the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail bridge.

Chair Byerly asked Commissioner Pinkoson to consider making two amendments to the motion
to ask FDOT to consider an alternative to the barbed wire on the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail bridge
and to use Archer Road, from SW 16th Avenue to North-South Drive, as a bicycle/pedestrian
facility.

AMENDED ACTION:

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4. ask the University of Florida to prepare a detailed master plan for the
   Archer Road triangle area which is based upon future development plans
   for the University and Shands; and

5. request that FDOT consider:

   A. an alternative to the barbed wire on the Depot Avenue Rail/Trail
      bridge; and
B. use Archer Road, from SW 16th Avenue to North-South Drive, as a bicycle/pedestrian facility.

Commissioner Bryant seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, Causseaux & Ellington Director of GIS, discussed the Archer Road/S. 16th Avenue Charrette and answered questions.

VI. FDOT TENTATIVE FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested comments concerning the Tentative Five Year Work Program for Fiscal Years 2004/2005 to 2008/2009. He said that the MTPO needs to decide whether to request changes to existing or proposed projects or request that new projects be added to, or existing projects be deleted from, this document. He discussed projects funded in the Tentative Five Year Work Program and answered questions.

Mr. Jeff Logan, Regional Transit System (RTS) Director, discussed the status of the RTS bus fleet and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to request that FDOT:

1. move $1.25 million in fiscal year 2010 in Project FIN#4048331 to the Hull Road Extension Project FIN#2113352 to increase the $3.9 million for right-of-way to $5.165 million;
2. create a separate line item and FIN# for the purchase of paratransit vehicles so that we can monitor the implementation of the purchase of the vehicles; and
3. provide Work Programs that are sorted by categories and then sorted by FIN# within the specific categories.

Commissioner Bryant seconded. Chair Byerly asked for a rollcall vote:

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Motion failed due to a lack of a majority of the City Commission.
A member of the MTPO asked about funding for intermodal connectivity priorities.

Mr. Logan discussed the need to discuss Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding with the Gainesville Regional Airport Director and the FTA Regional Office.

**ACTION:** Mayor Hanrahan moved to request that FDOT:

1. create a separate line item and FIN* for the purchase of paratransit vehicles so that we can monitor the implementation of the purchase of the vehicles; and

2. provide Work Programs that are sorted by categories and then sorted by FIN* within the specific categories.

Commissioner Chestnut IV seconded; motion passed unanimously

VII. YEAR 2025 TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE-

A. STATUS REPORT

Mr. Joe Corradino, The Corradino Group Principal, discussed the status of the long range transportation plan.

B. VISIONING SESSIONS

Mr. Corradino discussed the visioning process, a preliminary vision statement and answered questions.

C. RANDOM TELEPHONE SURVEY OF HOUSEHOLDS

Mr. Corradino discussed the survey of households and answered questions.

Chair Byerly requested that MTPO members forward their comments concerning the proposed survey to Mr. Sanderson, who could then forward them on to the Corradino Group.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Nielsen moved to defer action on the Year 2025 Transportation Plan Update- Random Telephone Survey of Households so that MTPO members could provide their comments to the consultant. Mayor Hanrahan seconded; motion passed unanimously.
D. EVALUATION FACTORS

Mr. Corradino discussed the evaluation factors and answered questions.

Commissioner Pinkoson stated that he wanted consideration of traffic congestion included as one of the factors.

ACTION: Mayor Hanrahan moved to approve the Year 2025 Transportation Plan Update- Evaluation Factors. Commissioner Chestnut IV seconded. Chair Byerly asked for a rollcall vote:

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Motion failed due to a lack of a majority of the County Commission.

ACTION: Mayor Hanrahan moved to defer action on the Year 2025 Transportation Plan Update- Evaluation Factors until the next MTPO meeting. Commissioner Pinkoson seconded; motion passed 8 to 1.

VIII. ELECTION OF MTPO OFFICERS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO needed to elect a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary/Treasurer for the coming year. He identified the current officers and noted that the MTPO Chair traditionally alternates between the City Commission and County Commission.

ACTION: Commissioner Nielsen moved to elect Commissioner Chuck Chestnut IV as the MTPO Chair, Commissioner Rodney Long as the MTPO Vice-Chair and Commissioner Craig Lowe as the MTPO Secretary/Treasurer. Commissioner Bryant seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chair Chestnut presented Commissioner Byerly a plaque and thanked him for his service as MTPO Chair.
IX. MTPO AUDIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mr. Sanderson requested that the MTPO appoint two members to an Audit Review Committee. He noted that the MTPO Secretary/Treasurer traditionally chairs this committee.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Nielsen moved to appoint Commissioner Lowe and Commissioner Pinkoson to the MTPO Audit Review Committee and to have Commissioner Lowe serve as Committee Chair. Commissioner Bryant seconded; motion passed unanimously.

X. MPOAC REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Sanderson asked the MTPO to appoint voting and alternate representatives to the Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) for calendar year 2005.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Chestnut moved to appoint Commissioner DeLaney as the MPOAC voting representative and to appoint Mayor Hanrahan as the MPOAC alternate representative. Commissioner Bryant seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XI. GAINESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT MASTER PLAN

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Gainesville Regional Airport Master Plan is currently being updated and will be completed next spring. He said the Mr. Rick Crider, Gainesville Regional Airport Director, has offered to make a presentation to the MTPO concerning the update of the Airport Master Plan.

**ACTION:** Commissioner DeLaney moved to receive a presentation at the next meeting concerning the update of the Airport Master Plan. Mayor Hanrahan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

XII. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson stated that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for February 10th at 1:30 p.m.

A member of the MTPO discussed the start time for evening meetings.

**ACTION:** Commissioner Chestnut moved to have MTPO evening meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Pinkoson seconded; motion passed unanimously.
XIII. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBER COMMENTS

A member of the MTPO commented on the disparity of funding of projects between the Jacksonville area and the Gainesville area in FDOT’s Strategic Intermodal System Plan.

B. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

C. CHAIR’S REPORT

There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Byerly adjourned the meeting at 11:40 p.m.

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Craig Lowe, Secretary/Treasurer
## EXHIBIT A

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Page #11  CA. 1  MTP0 Minutes- July 15, 2004  APPROVE MINUTES
This set of MTP0 minutes is ready for review

Page #21  CA. 2  Proposed Budgets for FY 2003-2004 and
            FY 2004-2005  APPROVE BUDGETS
These budgets will allow staff to monitor MTP0 expenditures and make
appropriate adjustments as needed

Page #25  CA. 3  Fiscal Year 2003/04 MTP0  APPROVE RECOMMENDATION
            Audit- Letter of Engagement
The Regional Planning Council is recommending an Auditor to conduct the
MTP0 Audit

Page #31  CA. 4  University Area “No Turn On Red” Signs  APPROVE JOINT
            RECOMMENDATION
The MTP0 wanted to know why these signs were installed as part of the
traffic signal update projects adjacent to the University

Page #35  CA. 5  Coordinating Board Membership Certification  APPROVE STAFF
            RECOMMENDATION
Each year, we are required to certify that the membership of this Board
meets State requirements and represents a cross section of our community
Page #37  CA. 6  Resolution of Appreciation  
APPROVE RESOLUTION

This resolution recognizes Commissioner Chuck Chestnut’s service as Chair of the Coordinating Board

Page #43  CA. 7  “Door-through-Door” Service  
APPROVE COORDINATING BOARD RECOMMENDATION

At the last meeting, a citizen requested that disabled transportation riders receive this type of service

Page #47  CA. 8  Amendment to FY 03/04 Nonurbanized Area Formula Grant Purchase of Service Agreement  
APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This Agreement needs to be amended because there has been an increase in funding for this grant

Page #51  CA. 9  Purchase of Service Agreement- Year 2004  
APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION

This Agreement allows the MTPO to use Federal Section 5311 funds to provide transportation to the elderly, disabled and economically disadvantaged

Page #63  CA. 10  Annual Performance Evaluation  
NO ACTION REQUIRED

The Coordinating Board recommends that MV Transportation continue as the Community Transportation Coordinator for Alachua County

Page #87  CA. 11  Transportation Disadvantaged Program- Status Report  
NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

Page #91  CA. 12  Audible Pedestrian Crossing Devices  
APPROVE JOINT RECOMMENDATION

The President of the Council for the Blind wants to know if these devices can be installed in this area
The President of the Council for the Blind wants to know if these signs can be installed on speed limit signs in this area.

This time each year, the MTPO reviews this plan to see if changes are needed in order to improve the public involvement process.

This Resolution must be submitted to FDOT in order for the MTPO to receive additional transit planning funds.

A member of the MTPO has requested information concerning how this intersection operates today versus how it will operate as a roundabout.

The Florida Department of Transportation is moving forward with the implementation of the Draft Strategic Plan.

In our area, two projects on S. Main Street have been funded.

Enclosed are recent letters forwarding comments to FDOT concerning the Strategic Intermodal System.
A member of the TAC wants to know what can be done to keep people from traveling and parking in this wide bikelane.

The MTPO must adopt a regional ITS architecture and standards by April 2005.

The MTPO Attorney has researched providing agenda materials in alternative formats for accommodation of the visually impaired.