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MINUTES
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida

6:00 p.m.
Thursday
August 10, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rodney Long, Chair
Craig Lowe, Vice Chair
James Bennett/Charles Baldwin
Ed Braddy
Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan
Paula DeLaney
Lee Pinkoson
Ed Poppell
Rick Bryant

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Byerly
Jack Donovan
Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Schervin Henry
John Martin

OTHERS PRESENT

See Exhibit A

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Brian Waterman
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rodney Long called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Long asked for approval of the consent agenda and meeting agenda.

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, recommended three meeting agenda changes consisting of:

1. adding item VII.A₂ Staff Comments;
2. deleting item V. SpringHills DRI Substantial Deviation- Summary of Transportation Projects; and
3. deferring item IV. US 301 at State Road 20 Intersection until the next MTPO meeting.

ACTION: Commissioner Pinkoson moved to approve the Consent Agenda and the Meeting Agenda amended to:

- 1. add item VII.A₂ Staff Comments;**
- 2. delete item V. Springhills DRI Substantial Deviation- Summary of Transportation Projects; and**
- 3. defer IV. US 301 at State Road 20 Intersection until the next MTPO meeting.**

Commissioner DeLaney seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. HULL ROAD EXTENSION RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) WIDTH

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO, at its June 15th meeting, requested MTPO Advisory Committees' recommendations for the Hull Road extension ROW width. He said that Mr. Brian Waterman, MTPO Senior Planner, would discuss the ROW issues.

Mr. Waterman discussed the Hull Road extension ROW width issues and answered questions. He presented the Advisory Committees' and staff recommendations

Mr. James Bennett, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 2 Urban Area Transportation Development Engineer, noted that right-of-way cost estimates for a 100-foot cross-section could not be determined.

Mr. Martin Gold, Florida Community Design Center Director, and Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, Causseaux & Ellington Director of Planning and GIS Services, both consultants to Gator Land Investments, discussed the Hull Road extension ROW width issues and answered questions.

Mr. Bennett noted that the original programmed Hull Road extension ROW funding was for the purchase for a possible 4-lane facility.

Ms. Ruth Steiner discussed her concerns regarding the Hull Road extension corridor's functionality as an urban street for the Urban Village and as a connector for faculty, students and staff between the university and residences west of the Interstate 75.

Mr. Arthur Willard also commented on the Hull Road extension ROW width issue.

ACTION: Commissioner Braddy moved to:

- 1. approve 100-feet as the right-of-way width for the Hull Road extension; and**
- 2. have the specific elements of the cross-section be determined during the local governments' site plan approval process.**

Commissioner DeLaney seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. URBAN VILLAGE- ACTION PLAN- WORK PLAN AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the MTPO, at its June 15th meeting, discussed the Urban Village: SW 20th Avenue Transportation Design Proposal. He said that during this discussion, the MTPO approved a motion which included requesting that Alachua County, the City of Gainesville, University of Florida work and MTPO staffs develop a Work Plan and Scope of Services to implement the Action Plan. He noted that this agenda item was an opportunity for City and County staffs to provide a status report to the MTPO.

Mr. Rick Drummond, Alachua County Growth Management Director, stated that a planning group consisting of City, County, MTPO and University staffs has met to begin to develop a plan of action, but has not yet developed a scope of work. He said that the planners group would meet as often as possible to develop the scope of work. He reported that the focus of the efforts need to be on defining needed comprehensive plan amendments. He surmised that much of the work will be done in-house. He added that tasks to be undertaken by consultants would be taken to the MTPO Urban Village Subcommittee. He recommended that the draft scope of work be taken to a joint Subcommittee/Steering Committee meeting in late September. He noted that sometime in October there would be a neighborhood planning workshop.

VI. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT wants to present information on the Main Street Reconstruction project based on updated costs estimates to the MTPO sometime in September.

Mr. Bennett discussed FDOT concerns regarding the Main Street Reconstruction project costs. He said that in order to address Work Program issues, FDOT would like to discuss the project at the MTPO's September meeting.

A member of the MTPO suggested that Staff reschedule the MTPO's September meeting date and that FDOT meet with City and County staffs on this issue.

Chair Long directed staff to reschedule the September MTPO meeting. He also requested that FDOT staff meet with appropriate City and County staff

VII. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBER COMMENTS

A member of the MTPO stated that there is a City Public Works Subcommittee meeting regarding Westgate Shopping Center business interests and requested FDOT's participation at that meeting. She said that City Public Works staff could inform FDOT of the meeting date.

Mr. Bennett stated that SW 2nd Avenue is scheduled to reopen September 1st.

B. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has reorganized its staff and that Ms. Doreen Joyner-Howard, FDOT Transportation Specialist, has served as the FDOT liaison to the MTPO for five years. He said that she was going to be the First Coast MPO liaison. He asked that the MTPO send a letter of appreciation for Ms. Joyner-Howard's service to the FDOT District 2 Secretary.

Chair Long stated that he would send a letter of appreciation for Ms. Joyner-Howard's service to the FDOT District 2 Secretary.

Mr. Sanderson introduced Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, as the new MTPO liason.

Mr. Sanderson announced that Mr. Charles Justice, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Executive Director, is retiring in September 30 after 33 years of service.

Chair Long noted that there would be two items on the September MTPO meeting agenda, the Main Street Reconstruction project and Mr. Justice's retirement.

C. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Arthur Willard commented on the September MTPO meeting date.

Chair Long said that Mr. Willard could contact MTPO staff on the rescheduled September MTPO meeting date.

D. CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no Chair's Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Long adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Date

Lee Pinkoson, Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

<u>Interested Citizens</u>	<u>Alachua County</u>	<u>City of Gainesville</u>	<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>
Gerry Dedenbach	Rick Drummond	Russ Blackburn	Gina Buscher
Martin Gold	Michael Fay	Ralph Hilliard	Kenny Geisendorff
Seth Lane	Randall Reid	Brian Kanely	Doreen Joyner-Howard
Ruth Steiner	Dave Schwartz		Karen Taulbee
Arthur Willard			

* By telephone

Provided written comments

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CONSENT AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Page #7 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- June 15, 2006 APPROVE MINUTES**
This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review
- Page #21 CA. 2 Intergovernmental Coordination and Review and APPROVE
Public Transportation Coordination Agreement AGREEMENT**
FDOT has requested that the MTPO update an earlier Agreement approved in 1991
- Page #35 CA. 3 Transportation Regional Incentive Program APPROVE
(TRIP) Interlocal Agreement AGREEMENT**
This Agreement will allow us to apply for TRIP funds for the traffic management system
- Page #47 CA. 4 Title VI Complaint Procedures APPROVE PROCEDURES**
In order to maintain the certification for the MTPO program, the MTPO must have adopted procedures to handle Title VI complaints
- Page #51 CA. 5 State Road 26- Medians APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**
A citizen is requesting that the medians on State Road 26 at SW 34th Street be reconstructed

Page #54 CA. 6 **Proposed Budgets for FY 2005-2006 and
FY 2006-2007**

**APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**

These budgets will allow staff to monitor MTPO expenditures and make appropriate adjustments as needed

Page #65 CA. 7 **Coordinating Board Membership
Certification**

**APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**

Each year, the MTPO must certify that the membership of this Board meets State requirements and represents a cross section of our community

Page #69 CA. 8 **Transportation Disadvantaged Program-
Status Report**

NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

Page #85 CA. 9 **MTPO Correspondence**

NO ACTION REQUIRED

Enclosed are copies of recent MTPO correspondence