

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

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida

3:00 p.m.
Thursday
March 13, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Lee Pinkoson, Chair
Scherwin Henry, Vice Chair
James Bennett/Charles Baldwin
Ed Braddy
Rick Bryant
Mike Byerly
Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Paula DeLaney
Linda Dixon/Ed Poppell
Jack Donovan
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan
Rodney Long
Craig Lowe
John Martin
Jeanna Mastrodicasa

None

See Exhibit A

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lee Pinkoson called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, recommended approval of the Consent Agenda and Meeting Agenda.

ACTION: Commissioner DeLaney moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Bryant seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. SW 62ND BOULEVARD CONNECTOR

Mr. Sanderson stated that Alachua County received federal earmark funding to relieve traffic on Interstate 75 within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area. He said that the funding is for a four-lane corridor between Newberry Road and Archer Road. He said that the County's consultant would make a presentation on the connector corridor alignment alternatives. He introduced Mr. Terry Shaw, HNTB Assistant Vice President.

Chair Pinkoson noted that there may be quorum issues for this meeting and encouraged MTPO members to limit their comments to three minutes.

Mr. Shaw discussed the SW 62nd Boulevard connector corridor alignment alternatives and answered questions.

Mr. James Bennett, Florida Department of Transportation District Planning Manager, discussed the earmark funding for the project and answered questions.

Mr. Richard Hedrick, Alachua County Public Works Department Director, discussed a three-prong funding strategy.

Mr. Shaw continued his discussion of the SW 62nd Boulevard connector corridor alignment alternatives and answered questions.

Commissioner John Martin, MTPO Rural Advisor, discussed his concerns about funding for the project.

Mr. Hedrick said that the County Public Works Department would be pleased if the City took over maintenance of the Urban Village Area.

ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to:

- 1. approve Alternative 2 (see Exhibit 1);**
- 2. approve the three Interim Priority Projects (see Exhibit 2);**
- 3. request that cost estimates be provided for segments north and south of the SW 20th Avenue/SW 62nd Boulevard intersection for the alternatives; and**
- 4. request the identification of sidewalk and other interim projects to support transit on the SW 43rd Street/SW 42nd Street corridor.**

Commissioner DeLaney seconded.

FIRST SUBSTITUTE ACTION:

Commissioner Long moved to:

- 1. approve Alternative 1 and direct staff to proceed with the project development and environmental (PD&E) study;**
- 2. approve the three Interim Priority Projects;**
- 3. request that cost estimates be provided for segments north and south of the SW 20th Avenue/SW 62nd Boulevard intersection for the alternatives; and**
- 4. request the identification of sidewalk and other interim projects to support transit on the SW 43rd Street/SW 42nd Street corridor.**

Commissioner Chestnut seconded.

Mr. Jonathan Thigpen, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. and Mr. Ron Carpenter, Carpenter & Roscow, P.A., both representing Butler Enterprises, discussed their preference for either Alternative 3 or 4.

A member of the MTPO asked whether the County or MTPO would decide the corridor alignment.

Mr. Bennett stated that the MTPO was responsible for decisions involving the expenditure of federal funds within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area. He said that the County and MTPO would have to work together on reaching a decision.

SECOND SUBSTITUTE ACTION:

Commissioner Donovan moved to:

- 1. approve Alternative 4;**
- 2. approve the three Interim Priority Projects;**
- 3. request that cost estimates be provided for segments north and south of the SW 20th Avenue/SW 62nd Boulevard intersection for the alternatives; and**
- 4. request the identification of sidewalk and other interim projects to support transit on the SW 43rd Street/SW 42nd Street corridor.**

Mayor Hanrahan seconded. Chair Pinkoson requested a rollcall vote.

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Rick Bryant	No	
Mike Byerly		No
Cynthia Moore Chestnut		No
Paula DeLaney		Yes
Jack Donovan	Yes	
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan	Yes	
Scherwin Henry	No	
Rodney Long		Yes
Craig Lowe	No	
Jeanna Mastrodicasa	Yes	
Ed Braddy	No	
Lee Pinkoson		No

Motion failed 5 to 7; no majority from either Commission.

FIRST SUBSTITUTE ACTION REPEATED:

Commissioner Long moved to:

- 1. approve Alternative 1 and direct staff to proceed with the project, development and environment (PD&E) study;**
- 2. approve the three interim Priority Projects;**
- 3. request that cost estimates be provided for segments north and south of the SW 20th Avenue/SW 62nd Boulevard intersection for the alternatives; and**
- 4. request the identification of sidewalk and other interim projects to support transit on the SW 43rd Street/SW 42nd Street corridor**

Commissioner Chestnut seconded. Chair Pinkoson requested that the Action be split to consider Alternative 1 separately.

Mr. Sanderson noted that the TAC recommended that costs for four-laning SW 62nd Boulevard between SW 20th Avenue and Newberry Road be separated from the costs of the four alternatives between Archer Road and SW 20th Avenue.

SPLIT FIRST SUBSTITUTE ACTION REPEATED [PART ONE]:

Commissioner Long moved to:

- 1. approve the three Interim Priority Projects (Exhibit 1);**
- 2. request that cost estimates be provided for segments north and south of the SW 20th Avenue/SW 62nd Boulevard intersection for the alternatives; and**
- 3. request the identification of sidewalk and other interim projects to support transit on the SW 43rd Street/SW 42nd Street corridor.**

Commissioner Chestnut seconded; motion passed unanimously.

SPLIT FIRST SUBSTITUTE ACTION REPEATED [PART TWO]:

Commissioner Long moved to approve Alternative 1 and direct staff to proceed with the project developmental and environment (PD&E) study. Commissioner Chestnut seconded. Chair Pinkoson requested a rollcall vote.

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Mike Byerly		No
Cynthia Moore Chestnut		Yes
Paula DeLaney		No
Jack Donovan	No	
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan	No	
Scherwin Henry	No	
Rodney Long		Yes
Craig Lowe	No	
Jeanna Mastrodicasa	No	
Ed Braddy	Yes	
Rick Bryant	Yes	
Lee Pinkoson		No

Motion failed 4 to 8; no majority from either Commission.

ORIGINAL ACTION REPEATED:

Commissioner Byerly moved to approve Alternative 2. Commissioner DeLaney seconded.

Chair Pinkoson requested a rollcall vote.

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Cynthia Moore Chestnut		No
Paula DeLaney		Yes
Jack Donovan	No	
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan	Yes	
Scherwin Henry	No	
Rodney Long		No
Craig Lowe	Yes	
Jeanna Mastrodicasa	Yes	
Ed Braddy	No	
Rick Bryant	No	
Mike Byerly		Yes
Lee Pinkoson		No

Motion failed 5 to 7; no majority from either Commission.

THIRD SUBSTITUTE ACTION:

Commissioner DeLaney moved to defer decision on the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector Alternative until after the MTPO receives a presentation on the Urban Village at its April 10th meeting. Commissioner Byerly seconded.

FOURTH SUBSTITUTE ACTION:

Commissioner Chestnut moved to approve Alternative 3. Commissioner Bryant seconded. Chair Pinkoson requested a rollcall vote.

	<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
Paula DeLaney		No
Jack Donovan	No	
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan	No	
Scherwin Henry	Yes	
Rodney Long		Yes
Craig Lowe	No	
Jeanna Mastrodicasa	No	
Ed Braddy	Yes	
Rick Bryant	Yes	
Mike Byerly		No
Cynthia Moore Chestnut		Yes
Lee Pinkoson		Yes

Motion failed 6 to 6; no majority from the City Commission.

THIRD SUBSTITUTE ACTION REPEATED:

Commissioner DeLaney moved to defer decision on the SW 62nd Boulevard Connector Alternative until after the MTPO receives a presentation on the Urban Village at its April 10th meeting. Commissioner Byerly seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Carpenter requested that MTPO staff include Exhibit 3 in the MTPO minutes.

III. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson stated that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for April 10th. He said that the MTPO would be receiving a presentation on the Urban Village at the April 10th meeting.

It was a consensus of the MTPO to meet on April 10th.

IV. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no MTPO member comments.

B. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizens comments.

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no Chair's report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Pinkoson adjourned the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Date

Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

<u>Interested Citizens</u>	<u>Alachua County</u>	<u>City of Gainesville</u>	<u>Florida Department of Transportation</u>
Glenel Bowden	Dave Cerlanek	Russ Blackburn	Jordan Green
Clark Butler	Michael Fay	Paul Folker	Karen Taulbee
Deborah Butler	Kathy Fanning	Debbie Leistner	
John Butler	Richard Hedrick	Teresa Scott	
Ron Carpenter	Randall Reid		
Brent Christensen	Jennifer Spagnoli		
Gerry Dedenbach			
Seth Lane			
Bob Reller			
Kellie Rye			
Terry Shaw			
Jonathan Thigpen			

* 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 #9 CA. 1 **MTPO Minutes- February 14, 2008** **APPROVE MINUTES**

This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review

Page #17 CA. 2 **US 441 Resurfacing Project- Striped
Bikelanes** **APPROVE JOINT CAC/TAC/
STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

In December, the MTPO asked FDOT to re-stripe the travel lanes on US 441 to add
colorized bikelanes as part of this upcoming resurfacing project

Page #25 CA. 3 **Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Update-
Florida Administrative Weekly Advertisement** **APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION**

The MTPO needs to approve this "Notice to Professional Consultants" requesting
letters of qualifications from consultants interested in working on this plan update

Page #29 CA. 4 **State Road 20 (Hawthorne Road) at
SW 35th Terrace** **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

At the February meeting, FDOT was asked to research if a flashing yellow-caution
light could be installed at this intersection

Page #33 CA. 5 **State Road 121 (NW 34th Street)-
Asphalt Path** **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

At the February meeting, FDOT stated that they would research what opportunities
are available to replace the asphalt sidewalk

**Page #35 CA. 6 Transportation Disadvantaged Program-
Status Report**

NO ACTION REQUIRED

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program