

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

Jack Durrance Auditorium
Alachua County Administration Building
Gainesville, Florida

6:00 p.m.
Monday
March 15, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula DeLaney, Chair
James Bennett/Alan Mosely
Mike Byerly
Jack Donovan
Thomas Hawkins, Vice Chair
Craig Lowe
Lee Pinkoson
Lauren Poe
Larry Travis

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Mayor Pegeen Hanrahan
Scherwin Henry
Rodney Long
Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Ed Poppell

OTHERS PRESENT

See Exhibit A

STAFF PRESENT

Scott Koons
Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Paula Delaney called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, asked for approval of the meeting agenda and consent agenda amended to add CA.7- Long Range Transportation Plan- Supplemental Agreement. He discussed the amendment and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Donovan moved to approve the Meeting Agenda and Consent Agenda amended to add CA.7- Long Range Transportation Plan- Supplemental Agreement. Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed unanimously.

II. DR. KERMIT SIGMON CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AWARD- 2009

Mr. Sanderson stated that Ms. Sharon Hawkey was selected to receive the 2009 Dr. Kermit Sigmon Citizen Participation Award. He presented the award to Ms. Hawkey.

Ms. Hawkey discussed her participation and thanked the MTPO.

Several MTPO members thanked Ms. Hawkey for her participation on the Citizens Advisory Committee and her work related to other transportation planning issues.

III. GAINESVILLE REGIONAL TRANSIT SYSTEM RAPID TRANSIT FEASIBILITY STUDY

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Gainesville Regional Transit System Rapid Transit Feasibility Study has been completed.

Mr. Doug Robinson, Regional Transit System Chief Transit Planner, discussed the bus rapid transit (BRT) study process and introduced Mr. Bill Morris, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) Senior Research Associate.

Mr. Morris discussed the study and answered questions.

Mr. Robinson and Mr. Mike Fay, Alachua County Public Works Development Program Manager, discussed the coordination of the BRT Study with the County's Mobility Plan.

ACTION: Commissioner Lowe moved to approve the Gainesville Regional Transit System Rapid Transit Feasibility Study. Commissioner Donovan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. PLANNING FOR PEAK OIL 2020

Mr. Sean McLendon, Alachua County Sustainability Program Manager, discussed peak oil issues. He also introduced Dr. Stephen Humphrey, University of Florida School of Natural Resources and Environment Director.

Dr. Humphrey gave a presentation on Sustainable Use and Depletion of Natural Resources: A Conceptual Framework and answered questions.

V. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) UPDATE

Mr. Sanderson introduced Mr. Whit Blanton, Renaissance Planning Group Vice President.

A. VISION STATEMENT, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Mr. Blanton discussed the draft LRTP Vision Statement, Goals and Objectives and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Vision Statement, Goals and Objectives. Commissioner Lowe seconded. Commissioner Pinkoson requested that the Vision Statement be separated from the Goals and Objectives for this action.

SPLIT ACTION-PART ONE:

Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Vision Statement. Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed 5 to 2.

SPLIT ACTION-PART TWO:

Commissioner Byerly moved to approve the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan Goals and Objectives. Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Mr. Blanton gave an overview of the Year 2035 LRTP Workshop held on February 16, 2010.

C. THREE RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE NETWORKS

Mr. Blanton discussed Alternative Network One- Transit Emphasis, Alternative Network Two- Highway emphasis and Alternative network Three- Street Car-Bus Rapid Transit Emphasis and answered questions.

ACTION: Commissioner Lowe moved to approve Alternative Network One-Transit Emphasis, Alternative Network Two- Highway Emphasis and Alternative Network Three-Street Car/Bus Rapid Transit Emphasis for testing and evaluation. Commissioner Byerly seconded.

A member of the MTPO discussed his concerns regarding the modeling of transit service frequency and span-of-service.

Mr. Robinson discussed BRT service and frequencies.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT:

Commissioner Lowe recommended the use of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5309 criteria for peak and off peak frequency and span-of-service for Bus Rapid Transit testing and evaluation. Commissioner Byerly agreed.

ACTION AS AMENDED:

Commissioner Lowe moved to approve Alternative Network One-Transit Emphasis, Alternative Network Two- Highway Emphasis and Alternative Network Three-Street Car/Bus Rapid Transit Emphasis for testing and evaluation with the use of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5309 criteria for peak and off peak frequency and span-of-service for Bus Rapid Transit. Commissioner Byerly seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. FDOT FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION PLAN HORIZON 2060

Mr. Sanderson asked if the MTPO would like to receive a presentation concerning the FDOT Florida Transportation Plan Horizon 2060.

ACTION: Commissioner Byerly moved to have the MTPO receive a presentation on the FDOT Florida Transportation Plan Horizon 2060. Commissioner Lowe seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. NEXT MTPO MEETING

Mr. Sanderson recommended that the MTPO meet on May 10 at 3:00 p.m.

It was a consensus of the MTPO meet on May 10 at 3:00 p.m.

VIII. COMMENTS

A. MTPO MEMBERS

A member of the MTPO discussed a revision to the Long Range Transportation Plan Vision Statement that was approved earlier in the meeting.

Mr. Sanderson said that MTPO staff would take a look at his suggestions and place any proposed modifications to the Vision Statement on the next meetings' Consent Agenda.

B. CITIZENS

Mr. Dave Bruderly, Wise Gas, Inc. Engineer, noted that the State of Florida awarded \$3 million to build 11 natural gas vehicle fueling stations. He also said that there was more than \$1 million Federal Stimulus funds still available. He discussed Wise Gas' interest with building a coalition with the City of Gainesville, Alachua County, Regional Transit System and any other interested parties on the establishment of a natural gas vehicle fueling station in Gainesville and answered questions.

A member of the MTPO asked Mr. Bruderly to send letters to the City Commission and County Commission so lthat they can refer them to their respective staffs.

A member of the MTPO noted that looking into a natural gas fueling station was already a referral from the City's Regional Utilities Committee to the City Commission. He suggested that Mr. Bruderly contact Gainesville Regional Utilities.

C. CHAIR'S REPORT

There was no Chair's Report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Delaney adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

3/19/10
Date

Cynthia Moore Chestnut
Cynthia Moore Chestnut, Secretary/Treasurer

EXHIBIT A

Interested Citizens

Alachua County

City of Gainesville

**Florida Department
of Transportation**

Whit Blanton

Mike Fay

Russ Blackburn

Karen Taulbee

Dave Bruderly

Sean McLendon

Paul Folker

David Coffey

Jonathan Paul

Debbie Leistner

Sally Dickerson

Randall Reid

Doug Robinson

Bill Gilbert

David Schwartz

Teresa Scott

Rae Marie Gilbert

Jim Hawkey

Sharon Hawkey

Stephen Humphrey

Bill Morris

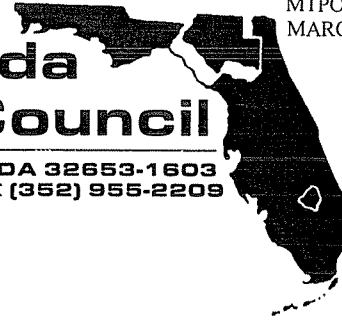
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Provided written comments

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MTPO MINUTES
MARCH 15, 2010



CONSENT AGENDA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- Page #9 CA. 1 MTPO Minutes- December 14, 2009 APPROVE MINUTES
This set of MTPO minutes is ready for review
- Page #23 CA. 2 Certification Review AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN
CERTIFICATION STATEMENT
FDOT has conducted its annual certification review of the MTPO planning
program and recommends that it be certified
- Page #27 CA. 3 MTPO Audit APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The Regional Planning Council and MTPO jointly select an auditor to prepare
a joint audit
- Page #29 CA. 4 Transportation Disadvantaged Program-
2010-2011 Planning Grant Application APPROVE STAFF
RECOMMENDATION
This grant application will provide funds for MTPO staff to provide staff
services to the Alachua County Coordinating Board

Page #37 CA. 5 **Transportation Disadvantaged Board
Member Appointments** **APPOINT MEMBERS**

The MTPO is being asked to appoint three members to the Alachua County
Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board

Page #49 CA. 6 **Transportation Disadvantaged Program
Status Report** **NO ACTION REQUIRED**

The MTPO has asked for regular status reports concerning this program

CA. 7 **Long Range Transportation Plan-
Supplemental Agreement** **APPROVE UPWP REVISIONS
& SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT**

The MTPO needs to take these actions in order to receive an additional
\$50,000 to fund the Long Range Transportation Plan update