

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MTPO)
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Gainesville Regional Utilities General Purpose Room
301 SE 4th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.
Wednesday
November 19, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Debbie Leistner, Chair
Dekova Batey
Linda Dixon
James Green
Ron Fuller
Jeff Hays
Matthew Muller
Brian Singleton

Paul Adjan
Dean Mimms
James Speer

Bruce Landis
Peyton McLeod
Ameera Sayeed

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante
Mike DePalma

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Matt Muller, Regional Transit System (RTS) Transit Planner, called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Vice Chair Muller introduced himself and asked other to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Vice Chair Muller asked for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: Ron Fuller moved to approve the meeting agenda. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, stated that there were two sets of TAC minutes, July 23, 2014 and September 24, 2014, for consideration of approval by the TAC.

MOTION: Linda Dixon moved to approve both sets of TAC minutes. Ron Fuller seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UNIVERSITY AVENUE MULTIMODAL STUDY- PHASE 1 REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that Mr. Bruce Landis, Sprinkle Consulting Vice President, and Mr. Peyton McLeod, Sprinkle Consulting Project Manager, were present to discuss the University Avenue Multimodal Study Phase 1 Report.

Mr. Landis and Mr. McLeod discussed the University Avenue Multimodal Study Phase 1 Report and answered questions.

Ms. Ameera Sayeed, FDOT District Growth and Development/Modeling Coordinator stated that the document met the scope. She said that it should be reformatted to prioritize a shorter list of projects.

MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to have MTPO staff work with the consultant and FDOT to develop a shorter prioritized list of project recommendations. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TENTATIVE FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has submitted its Five Year Tentative Work Program for review and comment. He discussed the draft Five Year Tentative Work Program and answered questions.

MOTION: Brian Singleton moved to recommend that the MTPO recommend that FDOT fund the number two priority in the long range transportation plan on the State Highway System - State Road 121 NW 34th Street turnlanes for locations where they are needed, such as NW 23rd Terrace, NW 25th Terrace and the entrance to the Rock Creek subdivision. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Dekova Batey moved to recommend that the MTPO recommend that FDOT fund the NW 19th Lane Cycle Track project as described in the City of Gainesville Transportation Alternatives Program grant application. Jeff Hays seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA SURVEY RESEARCH CENTER- TELEPHONE SURVEY 2014

Mr. Sanderson stated that the statistically valid survey is completed. He discussed the survey report and answered questions. He noted that Mr. Scott Richards, University of Florida Survey research Center Principal Investigator, would attend the December 1, 2014 MTPO meeting.

Mr. Jeff Hays, Alachua County Transportation Planning Manager, noted that the survey tracked with the Alachua County Surtax vote.

Mr. Muller suggested distinguishing between City and County data.

VII. LEVEL OF SERVICE (LOS) SUBCOMMITTEE

Mr. Sanderson stated that the LOS Subcommittee requested discussion of the Multimodal LOS Report. He noted that the Mr. Mike DePalma, MTPO Geographic Information System (GIS) Planner, was present.

Chair Debbie Leistner, Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, discussed the LOS Subcommittee's interest in format changes for the Multimodal LOS Report.

Mr. DePalma discussed the MTPO's GIS characteristics of the LOS Report and availability of shapefiles and answered questions.

Mr. Muller discussed his concerns regarding accurate transit data.

Mr. Hays stated that the County is utilizing the LOS Report for its LOS analyses.

Mr. Mike Escalante, MTPO Senior Planner, discussed the LOS Report. He noted that the report was a significant part of the MTPO's Congestion Management Process. He described how data was used to analyze the corridors. He added that the maps in the LOS Report show the analysis results.

Mr. Sanderson asked whether the City and County need the report. He said that all the MTPO needs is a report on congestion within the Gainesville metropolitan Area.

Chair Leistner discussed format modification concerns.

Mr. DePalma discussed the MTPO's GIS Arcview capabilities and answered questions. He noted that the MTPO does not have the funding and staffing to invest in ArcGIS online or an ArcGIS server.

Mr. Muller stated that RTS did not use the LOS Report, but only reviews it for accuracy.

Mr. Sanderson summarized that the County used the report and that MTPO staff was open to format changes given the GIS constraints.

Chair Leistner stated that this discussion would continue regarding LOS Report format modifications.

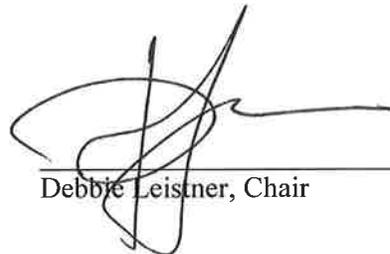
X. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

1/21/15
Date


Debbie Leistner, Chair