

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  
September 24, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Leistner, Chair  
Dekova Batey  
Linda Dixon  
Ruth Findley  
Ron Fuller  
James Green  
Jeff Hays  
Dean Mimms  
Matthew Muller

MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Adjan  
James Speer

OTHERS PRESENT

Bruce Landis  
Chandler Otis

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson  
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Debbie Leistner, Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Leistner introduced herself and asked other to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Leistner asked for approval of the agenda and asked that the Level of Service Subcommittee be placed on the November TAC agenda.

Mr. Sanderson asked that the agenda be amended to add discussion of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) planning study funding.

**MOTION: Ron Fuller moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to add VIII<sub>B</sub>. FDOT Planning Study Funding. Dekova Batey seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Leistner asked for approval of the July 23, 2014 minutes.

**MOTION: Matthew Muller moved to ask staff to review the Statistically Valid Survey agenda item in the July 23, 2013 TAC minutes. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

#### IV. STRATEGIC INTERMODAL SYSTEM (SIS) AIRPORT CONNECTOR DESIGNATIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Florida Department of Transportation is planning two revisions to the SIS connector designations for the Gainesville Regional Airport entrances- to drop the SIS designation for the NE 39th Avenue entrance and add the SIS designation for the Waldo Road entrance.

Mr. Chandler Otis discussed his safety concerns at each airport entrance.

**MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to recommend the MTPO approve the deletion of the NE 39th Avenue Entrance SIS designation and add the SIS designation to the new Waldo Road entrance. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

#### V. TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM PROJECTS- 2014 APPLICATION

Mr. Sanderson stated that FDOT has requested that any new Transportation Alternative Program applications be submitted by December 5, 2014. He reported that the City of Gainesville has prepared an application for the NW 19th Lane Two-Way Cycle Track.

**MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to recommend the MTPO approve the submission of the City of Gainesville Transportation Alternative Program application for the NW 19th Lane Two-Way Cycle Track. Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

#### VII. UNIVERSITY AVENUE MULTIMODAL STUDY- EXISTING CONDITIONS REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that Mr. Bruce Landis, Sprinkle Consulting Project Manager, was present to discuss the University Avenue Multimodal Study Existing Conditions Report.

Mr. Landis discussed the University Avenue Existing Conditions Report and answered questions.

Mr. James Green, FDOT Urban Planning Supervisor, discussed the availability of Phase 2 funding for the project.

#### VIII. YEAR 2040 LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN- EXISTING PLUS COMMITTED (E+C) NETWORK

Mr. Sanderson stated that MTPO staff, with input from City and County staffs, has prepared the E+C network for the Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan update. He discussed the E+C network and answered questions.

**MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to approve the E+C network (Illustration 1 and Table 1) revised to include a footnote regarding the lane reduction on NW 8th Avenue between NW 34th Street and NW 23rd Street. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

#### VIII.B. FDOT PLANNING STUDY FUNDING

Mr. Sanderson discussed the availability of FDOT planning study funding and answered questions.

Ms. Linda Dixon, University of Florida Planning Director, suggested that a similar study for the SW 13th Street corridor from Archer Road to University Avenue would be beneficial.

Mr. Hays suggested Newberry Road from NW 98th Street to Interstate 75 and the SW 20th Avenue at SW 43rd Street intersection

Mr. Dean Mimms, Gainesville Planner, suggested a stop sign on the Archer Road rail/trail at SW 27th Street.

**MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to recommend that the FDOT consider for planning studies the following priorities:**

- 1. SW 13th Street from Archer Road to University Avenue;**
- 2. SW 34th Street from SW 2nd Avenue to University Avenue; and**
- 3. Newberry Road from NW 98th Street to NW 69th Terrace.**

**Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Mimms asked about public notice for the University Avenue Multimodal Corridor Study workshop.

Mr. Sanderson stated that public notice has been provided.

Chair Leistner announce the Open Streets event in downtown on October 5, 2014 and the Bike Boulevard ribbon cutting event on November 8, 2014.

Mr. Mimms discuss bike safety concerns regarding the US 441 resurfacing project.

Ms. Dixon announced the Campus Master Plan workshop is scheduled for October 27, 2014.

Mr. Mimms announced the UF Urban and Regional Planning 40th Anniversary celebration that begins on October 9, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

11/19/14  
Date

  
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Debbie Leistner, Chair

**Table 1  
Existing and Committed Capacity Projects**

**New Road Projects Completed Since 2010**

MAP #	Roadway	From	To	Type
1	Gainesville Regional Airport Entrance	Waldo Road	Airport Terminal	New Two-Lane
2	NW 8th Avenue <sup>a</sup>	NW 23rd Street	NW 31st Drive	Two-Lane Reduction
3	SW 9th Street	SW 2nd Avenue	SW 4th Avenue	New Two-Lane
4	SW 3rd Avenue	SW 10th Street	SW 7th Terrace	New Two-Lane
5	Hull Road Extension	SW 34th Street	SW 38th Terrace	New Two-Lane
6	SW 38th Terrace	SW 20th Avenue	Hull Road	New Two-Lane

<sup>a</sup>Note- NW 8th Avenue is currently being tested and evaluated as a two-lane road. A final decision concerning whether this road remains two lanes, or returns to being a four-lane road, will be made at a later date.

**New Road Projects Funded Through Construction by 2019**

MAP #	Roadway	From	To	Type	Fiscal Year
7	Celebration Pointe Boulevard/SW 30th Avenue Bridge	Archer Road	SW 42nd Way	New Four Lane	2014-15
8	SW 62nd Boulevard	Archer Road	SW 43rd Street	New Four Lane	2016-17
9	Plaza Boulevard (SW 38th Terrace)	SW 24th Avenue	SW 42nd Street	New Two-Lane	2016-17
10	SW 30th Avenue	SW 42nd Street	SW 40th Boulevard	New Two-Lane	2016-17
11	SW 42nd Way Extension	SW 30th Place	SW 30th Avenue	New Two-Lane	2016-17
12	SW 30th Place Extension	SW 42nd Way	SW 42nd Street	New Two-Lane	2016-17
13	SW 8th Avenue	SW 143rd Street	SW 122nd Street	New Two-Lane	2014-15
14	Road Connecting SW 8th Ave and SW 61st St	SW 75th Street	SW 24th Avenue	New Two-Lane	2014-15
15	NW 23rd Avenue	NW 55th Street	NW 58th Boulevard	Widen to Four Lanes	2014-15
16	SW 40th Boulevard Extension	South of Archer Road	SW 47th Avenue	New Two-Lane	2016-17
17	SW 91st Street	Archer Road	SW 73rd Avenue	New Two-Lane	2017-18

