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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
January 21, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Adjan
James Speer

OTHERS PRESENT

Wiatt Bowers
Chandler Otis
Wiley Page

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Debbie Leistner, Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Leistner asked for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: Dean Mimms 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 the November 19, 2014 minutes are ready for consideration of approval by the TAC.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to approve the November 19, 2014 TAC minutes. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE- TIMELINE

Mr. Sanderson discussed the long range transportation plan update timeline and answered questions. He announced that workshop #2 was scheduled for February 23, 2015 at the Gainesville Regional Utilities general purpose room.

V. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE- PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the consultant will test and evaluate two alternatives for the future transportation network, a roadway project emphasis network and a transit project emphasis network. He said that performance measures have been identified to evaluate the alternatives.

Mr. Wiley Page, Atkins Project Manager, discussed the performance measures and answered questions.

MOTION: Ron Fuller moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the performance measures in Exhibit 1 to compare the transportation network alternative networks. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE- EXISTING PLUS COMMITTEE TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENT

Mr. Sanderson stated that the transportation model traffic assignments have been completed.

Mr. Page and Mr. Wiatt Bowers, Atkins Project Manager, discussed the traffic assignments and the Year 2040 Existing Plus Committed Network Deficiencies Map and answered questions.

VII. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE- TRANSIT EMPHASIS ALTERNATIVE

Mr. Sanderson stated that one of the future transportation network tests will be the transit emphasis alternative. He discussed the proposed transit emphasis alternative projects from the Regional Transit System Transit Development Plan and answered questions.

It was a consensus to have Atkins work with Mr. Matt Muller, RTS Transit Planner, to develop the transit emphasis alternative.

VIII. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS- TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that the committee needs to begin to develop Transportation Alternatives Program priorities. He discussed the current priorities, as well as, Alachua County Bicycle Master Plan Addendum projects and answered questions. He said that the TAC would be emailed a copy of the Alachua County Braids status report.

IX. COMMITTEE OFFICER ELECTIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the TAC needs to elect a new Chair and Vice Chair. He said that Debbie Leistner is the current Chair and Matt Muller is the current Vice Chair.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to elect Debbie Leistner as the TAC Chair and Matt Muller as the TAC Vice Chair. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

4/1/15
Date


Debbie Leistner, Chair

EXHIBIT 1

There is continuing emphasis from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Agency (FTA) on use of performance measures and benchmarks to measure the outcomes of the metropolitan planning process. In addition, the FHWA is requiring a stronger link between the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan and the Congestion Management Process, which is used as a basis to evaluate transportation conditions and trends, and guide the selection of short-term mobility strategies. This linkage is intended to ensure that short-term mobility strategies fit within the LRTP vision, and also provide feedback to the update of the LRTP on the success (or outcomes) of projects as they are implemented.

Per the passage of MAP-21, USDOT will establish performance measures in consultation with State DOTs, MPOs and other stakeholders within 18 months of MAP-21's enactment. Once performance measures are identified, the States will have up to one year to set state level targets. Once state level targets have been set, MPOs will have up to six-months to set local level targets that support the state targets. The process and schedule for performance measure implementation and LRTP documentation is expected to evolve over the next two years.

The Performance Measures are based on existing datasets that will generally be available as a result of LRTP development. They are also based on information that other agencies, such as the City, County, and FDOT, are required to collect and update as part of their routine planning requirements.

The proposed performance measures presented below will be used to compare the alternative networks to the Base Year or E+C Network.

1. Vehicle Miles Traveled (total and per capita) (MTPO Model)
2. Vehicle Hours Traveled on major corridors (MTPO Model)
3. Average Delay per road traveler (summarized at county, urbanized area and corridor/travel market scale) (MTPO Model)
4. Mode share and transit ridership (systemwide, corridor, and route) (RTS) summarized at urbanized area and corridor/travel market scale) (MTPO Model)
5. Mobility Index (bus ridership per congested lane mile) (MTPO Congestion Management Process Report)