

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
May 20, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

James Speer

OTHERS PRESENT

Wiatt Bowers
Bruce Landis
Peyton McLeod
Chandler Otis

STAFF PRESENT

Marlie Sanderson
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Debbie Leistner, Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Leistner asked for approval of the agenda.

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

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mr. Sanderson stated that the April 1, 2015 minutes are ready for consideration of approval by the TAC.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to approve the April 1, 2015 TAC minutes. Ron Fuller seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. UNIVERSITY AVENUE MULTIMODAL STUDY- PHASE 2 REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that the consultant has completed the SR 26/University Avenue Multimodal Emphasis Corridor Study- Phase 2 Report.

Mr. Bruce Landis, Sprinkle Consulting Vice President, and Mr. Peyton McLeod, Sprinkle Consulting Project Manager, discussed the draft Phase 2 Report and answered questions.

MOTION: Jeff Hays moved to recommend that the MTPO accept the SR 26/University Avenue Multimodal Emphasis Corridor Study- Phase 2 Report as a completed document and forward the report to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS-
DRAFT 2015 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that, with the completion of the University Avenue Multimodal Corridor Study, the List of Priority Projects should be modified to incorporate some of its recommendations. He discussed a draft list of projects and answered questions.

MOTION: Dean Mimms moved to appoint Debbie Leistner and Jeff Hays to a Technical Advisory Committee Working Group for the development of draft Transportation Alternatives Program Priorities. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the most important document that is approved annually by the MTPO. He said that the TIP is a staged implementation program of transportation projects feasibly consistent with adopted comprehensive plans of Alachua County and the City of Gainesville. He added that, in order for Federal transportation funds to be spent in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area, they must be approved by the MTPO and included in the TIP.

Chair Leistner discussed placing the previous SW 62 Connector project, development and environmental study project in a federal-funded table.

MOTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2015-16 to 2019-20 Transportation Improvement Program Transit System revised to place project C-11 in the appropriate federal-funded table. Jeff Hays seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VII. LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE- DRAFT NEEDS PLAN

Mr. Sanderson stated that the consultant has completed the draft Needs Plan.

Mr. Wiatt Bowers, Atkins Project Manager, discussed the draft Needs Plan and answered questions.

Mr. Sanderson stated that unless the TAC has any changes, the he would report that the TAC recommends approval of the Year 2040 needs Plan. He discussed the revenue forecast and noted that the TAC would have to recommend a Cost Feasible Plan at its next meeting.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS


Mr. James Green, FDOT Transportation Specialist, announced the Karen Taulbee has been named the District 2 Urban Planning Manager.

Chair Leistner announce that the City would be hosting Bike Month event on May 27, 2015 which would include a Bike Sharing Demonstration activity.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

7/21/15
Date



Debbie Leistner, Chair

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