

MINUTES

GAINESVILLE URBANIZED AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Charles F. Justice Conference Room
2009 NW 67th Place
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.
Wednesday
June 15, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Debbie Leistner, Chair
Paul Adjan
Chris Dawson
Linda Dixon
Ruth Findley
Ron Fuller
James Green
Erik Lewis
Dean Mimms

Dekova Batey
Jesus Gomez
James Speer

Delia Kradolfer

Scott Koons
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Debbie Leistner, Gainesville Transportation Planning Manager, called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Leistner introduced herself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Chair Leistner asked for approval of the agenda.

MOTION: Chris Dawson moved to approve the meeting agenda. Ruth Findley seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chair Leistner stated that the April 20, 2016 minutes are ready for consideration of approval by the Technical Advisory Committee.

MOTION: Paul Adjan moved to approve the April 20, 2016 Technical Advisory Committee minutes. James Green seconded; motion passed unanimously.

IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-17 TO 2020-21

Scott Koons, Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization Executive Director, stated that the Transportation Improvement Program is the most important document that is approved annually by the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization. He said that the Transportation Improvement Program 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 Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization and included in the Transportation Improvement Program.

MOTION: Ruth Findley moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization:

1. **approve the Fiscal Years 2016-17 to 2020-21 Transportation Improvement Program.**
2. **request that the Florida Department of Transportation, City of Gainesville and the University of Florida coordinate the implementation of the following projects:**
 - **SW 13th Street at Archer Road Traffic Signal Update (4358911);**
 - **Archer Road Landscaping Project (4359291); and**
 - **Archer Road Campus Development Agreement-funded modifications.**

Chris Dawson seconded; motion passed unanimously.

V. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2017-18 TO 2021-22

Mr. Koons stated that, each year, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization develops priorities for unfunded projects. He said that these priorities are used by the Florida Department of Transportation to develop its Tentative Work Program. He added that the draft List of Priority Projects includes projects from the recently adopted Year 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan and from local agency recommendations. He and Michael Escalante, Senior Planner, discussed the draft list of Priority Projects and answered questions.

Chair Leistner discussed bicycle/pedestrian priorities and answered questions. She also recommended adding the 6th Street Rail/Trail Extension project.

Chris Dawson discussed the Shared-Use Network Trail Program project priorities and answered questions.

MOTION: Chris Dawson moved to recommend that the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization:

1. **approve the Fiscal Years 2017-18 to 2021-22 List of Priority Projects with one modification to add the 6th Street Rail/Trail Extension project as Priority 10-T; and**

2. **if safety-funded projects are included in future years of the List of Priority Projects, the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization should use the Alachua County Traffic Safety Team to develop safety-funded project priority recommendations.**

Ruth Findley seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VI. NONE

VII. COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Mr. Koons stated that the Technical Advisory Committee needs to elect a new Chair and Vice-Chair. He also stated that Debbie Leistner is the current Chair and Matt Muller is the current Vice-Chair.

MOTION: Paul Adjan moved to elect Debbie Leistner as the Technical Advisory Committee Chair and Jeff Hays as the Technical Advisory Committee Vice-Chair. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS


There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

7/1/16/16

Date



Debbie Leistner, Chair

