

MINUTES

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

NCFRPC Charles F. Justice Conference Room  
2009 NW 67<sup>th</sup> Place  
Gainesville, Florida

2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday  
April 21, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

STAFF PRESENT

Doug Robinson, Chair  
Jonathan Paul, ViceChair  
Linda Dixon  
Steve Dopp  
Kathy Fanning  
Ron Fuller  
John Gifford  
Harrell Harrison  
Debbie Leistner  
Dean Mimms  
Meg Niederhofer  
Ha Nguyen  
Karen Taulbee

Dekova Batey  
Michael Iguina

Michael Lagasse  
Phil Mann  
Kelly Rhinesmith  
Matt Weismann

Marlie Sanderson  
Michael Escalante

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Doug Robinson, Regional Transit System (RTS) Chief Transit Planner, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Robinson introduced himself and asked others to introduce themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, asked for approval of the meeting agenda.

Chair Robinson asked for the agenda to be amended to add item VII. Unfunded Project Priorities. He noted that RTS would like to add an enhancement project priority.

**ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to approve the meeting agenda amended to add item VII. Unfunded Projects Priorities in order to discuss amending Table 2 Enhancement Priorities. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

### III. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

Mr. Sanderson, stated that the March 3, 2010 minutes are ready for approval.

**ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to approve the March 3, 2010 TAC minutes. Dean Mimms seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

### IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Sanderson announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. He said that the TAC's next meeting, if needed, is scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup>. He asked the TAC to reschedule its August meeting from August 11<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to reschedule the August TAC meeting from August 11<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>. Debbie Leistner seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

### V. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (TMS)- STATUS REPORT

Mr. Sanderson stated that City of Gainesville Public Works staff was present to provide a TMS status report.

Mr. Matt Weismann City of Gainesville ITS Operations Engineer and Mr. Phil Mann, City of Gainesville Traffic Operations Manager, discussed the TMS and answered questions.

Mr. Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning noted that the TMS has a bias towards automobiles versus pedestrians and bicyclists.

### VI. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the 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 consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, 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 this report. He noted that this year's document authorizes about \$19 million in Federal funds for projects within the Gainesville Metropolitan Area over the next fiscal year.

**ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve Fiscal Years 2010/2011-2014/2015 Transportation Improvement Program with corrections provided by review agencies. Steve Dopp seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

## VII. UNFUNDED PROJECT PRIORITIES

Mr. Sanderson stated that RTS staff has requested an amendment to the Enhancement Priorities.

Mr. Robinson discussed amending the Fiscal Years 2011/2012 – 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects to add to Table 2 Enhancement Priorities a sidewalk connection project for RTS Systemwide. He noted that these connections are to address Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) concerns.

Ms. Linda Dixon, University of Florida Facilities Planning Assistant Director, discussed a University of Florida Cross Campus Trail from SW 34<sup>th</sup> Street to Archer Road and answered questions

**ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2011/2012 – 2015/2016 List of Priority Projects amended to add to Table 1 Enhancement Priorities as:**

- 1. Priority #2 University of Florida Cross Campus Trail from SW 34<sup>th</sup> Street to Archer Road; and**
- 2. Priority #10 Bus Stop Upgrades for ADA compliance project for RTS Systemwide.**

**Debbie Leistner seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

## VIII. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT APPLICATIONS

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Florida Department of Transportation has requested new Enhancement Project Applications

**ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO:**

- 1. request that appropriate staff prepare applications for enhancement priorities on and two and submit them to MTPO staff by Wednesday May, 19, 2010;and**
- 2. approve the submission of these two enhancement applications.**

**John Gifford seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

IX. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Sanderson stated that the staff services agreement between the MTPO and the Regional Planning Council (RPC) requires submission of the budget to support the transportation planning staff. He said that MTPO staff is forwarding for its consideration the UPWP. He added that the UPWP outlines and describes planning efforts to be undertaken by participating agencies to maintain a comprehensive, cooperative and continuing transportation planning program in the Gainesville Metropolitan Area for a two-year period. He discussed the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 - 2012/2013 UPWP and answered questions.

**ACTION: Steve Dopp moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the Fiscal Years 2010/2011 – 2012/2013 UPWP with the understanding that additional administrative revisions requested by state and federal review agencies will be made as necessary by MTPO staff. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.**

X. PLAN TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES

Mr. Sanderson requested TAC review comments concerning proposed transportation strategies for the Plan to Reduce Greenhouse Gases component of the Year 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan. He discussed the strategies and answered questions.


XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

Ms. Karen Taulbee, FDOT Transportation Specialist, noted that there would be a presentation on the Florida Transportation Plan- Horizon 2060 at the May 10<sup>th</sup> MTPO meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

6/30/2010  
Date

  
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Douglas Robinson, Chair