# **MINUTES**

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

Gainesville Regional Utilities 2:00 p.m.
General Purpose Meeting Room Wednesday
Gainesville, Florida July 19, 2000

MEMBERS PRESENT	MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT	STAFF PRESENT
Dean Mimms, Chair	James Dees	Clark Butler	Gerry Dedenbach
Bob Elmore	Greg DuBois	Debra Butler	Micha el Escalan te
John Gifford	Linda Dixon	Mike Hofgren	
Mindy Heath	Barbara Hatchitt	Mehul Parek	
Charles Justice	John Maruniak	Bob Reller	
Brian Kanely			
Jeff Logan			
Mac McEachern			
Melissa Norman			
John Sabatella			
Pat Reynolds			

# CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dean Mimms called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

# I. INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Mimms introduced himself and asked those present to introduce themselves.

# II. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA

ACTION: Jeff Logan moved to approve the meeting agenda. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

# III. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 28, 2000 MINUTES

ACTION: Charles Justice moved to approve the June 28, 2000 minutes. Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

# IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, announced that there would be a MTPO Year 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update workshop on August 3 at 1:30 p.m. and a MTPO Advisory Committee LRTP workshop on August 16 at 6:00 p.m., in the Gainesville regional Utilities General Purpose Meeting Room and the next TAC meeting is August 30 at 2:00 p.m.

#### V. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED- LISTED IN ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

# A. BUTLER PLAZA EXPANSION TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the MTPO contracted with Renaissance Planning Group, Inc. (RPG) to evaluate the impacts of the proposed Butler Plaza expansion on the roadway network. He discussed the impacts of the proposed Butler Plaza expansion on the network model, as forecast in the countywide model and explained in Butler Plaza Expansion Traffic Analysis report.

Mr. Bob Reller, Butler Enterprises, Inc. Director of Development, discussed the proposed Butler Plaza Expansion Project. He stated that Butler Enterprises will be asking the MTPO to fund the extension of SW 62<sup>nd</sup> Boulevard down to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue as quickly as possible.

Mr Clark Butler, Butler Enterprises, Inc. President, discussed the proposed Butler Plaza Expansion Project.

**ACTION:** 

Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO defer action on the Butler Plaza Expansion Traffic Analysis until the status of the State Roads 26/26A funding, including the Campus Development Agreement (CDA) is clarified, and recognize the opportunity of the public-private partnership on the SW 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue Charrette Project. Mac McEachern seconded.

#### **SUBSTITUTE ACTION:**

Mindy Heath moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. recognize the viability of the proposed roadways associated with the proposed Butler Plaza Expansion Project; and,
- 2. defer action until more information, such as the CDA, any future CDAs, annexation, development of regional impact (DRI) application and updates of the Year 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Campus Master Plan updates and City and County comprehensive plan updates, is available.

Brian Kanely seconded.

**AMENDMENT:** 

Charles Justice move to amend the motion to include the MTPO: should address facility construction in that area, should the responsible local governing body be asked to support the Butler Plaza Expansion Project. Mac McEachern seconded; amendment passed 7 to 3.

#### SUBSTITUTE ACTION AS AMENDED:

Mindy Heath moved to recommend that the MTPO:

- 1. recognize the viability of the proposed roadways associated with the proposed Butler Plaza Expansion Project;
- 2. defer action until more information, such as the CDA, any future CDAs, annexation, DRI application and updates of the Year 2020 LRTP, Campus Master Plan updates and City and County comprehensive plan updates, is available; and
- 3. should address facility construction in that area, should the responsible local governing body be asked to support the Butler Plaza Expansion Project.

Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed 9 to 1.

B. LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS (LOPP)- MTPO AREA

Mr. Dedenbach stated that the TAC needs to develop recommendations for needed, but unfunded, transportation projects by its August 30 meeting. He said that the current draft LOPP identifies those projects which were programmed in the current FDOT Work Program.

Mr. Michael Escalante, MTPO Principal Transportation Planner, discussed the draft LOPP and the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Board's (B/PAB) recommendations and answered questions.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO approve the draft LOPP, as amended to include:

- 1. the B/PAB recommendations for Table 4 and 5; and
- 2. in Table 1, a new, Priority 4, that indicates the purchase of right-ofway and construction of the Hull Road extension offroad bicycle/ pedestrian trail.

Pat Reynolds seconded; motion passed 6 to 4.

# C. COMPETITIVE "WALKABLE COMMUNITIES" WORKSHOP GRANT

Mr. Dedenbach stated that Walkable Communities, Inc. (WCI) will be conducting six workshops across the country next year, cofunded, in part, by the United States Department of Transportation and WCI. He said that local MPOs may compete to cosponsor and fund the remaining expenses of a workshop. He noted that the MTPO has not used funds annually programmed for charrettes. He added that staff recommends that the MTPO submit a proposal to host one Walkable Community Workshops and agree to fund the \$6,250 local match, out of programmed charrette funds.

ACTION: Mindy Heath moved to recommend that the MTPO submit a proposal to host one Walkable Community Workshops and agree to fund the \$6,250 local match, out of programmed charrette funds. Charles Justice seconded; motion passed unanimously.

D. UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA CAMPUS MASTER PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the status of the Campus master Plan update.

ACTION: Mindy Heath moved to recommend that the MTPO Chair send a letter to the University of Florida:

- 1. asking what parking, traffic and transit studies are being conducted as part of the Campus Master Plan update; and
- 2. requesting that it look at opportunities to increase transit service.

Jeff Logan seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. SW 91<sup>ST</sup> STREET AND ARCHER ROAD ROUNDABOUT-STATUS REPORT

Mr. Dedenbach gave a status report on the SW 91st Street and Archer Road roundabout.

# VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

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There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT	
The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.	

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Date

Dean Mimms, Chair