CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dean Mimms, City of Gainesville Chief of Comprehensive Planning, 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: Linda Dixon moved to approve the meeting agenda. Laura Dedenbach seconded; motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 31, 2001 MINUTES

ACTION: Patricia Reynolds moved to approve the January 31, 2001 minutes. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.
IV. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Mr. Gerry Dedenbach, MTPO Senior Transportation Planner, announced that the next MTPO meeting is scheduled for May 10. He said that the next TAC meeting is scheduled for May 23. He noted that the MTPO Plan East Gainesville Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for May 2.

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

A. SW 34th STREET RESURFACING (FROM ARCHER ROAD TO W UNIVERSITY AVENUE)

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the SW 34th Street resurfacing project.

The TAC discussed the Florida Department of Transportation’s (FDOT’s) proposed plans for roadway striping on SW 34th Street, from W University Avenue south to SW 2nd Avenue.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO:

1. approve the FDOT 30 percent plans for the resurfacing of SW 34th Street, from Archer Road to W University Avenue, with the understanding that funds to install the mastarm traffic will be included as part of the State Roads (SR) 26 and 26A projects; and

2. request that FDOT research the feasibility of striping the southbound lane on SW 34th Street, between SR 26 and SR 26A, in the same manner as the northbound lane in the same corridor.

Laura Dedenbach seconded; motion passed unanimously.

B. SW 24th AVENUE CROSS SECTION (WEST OF SW 34TH STREET)

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the SW 24th Avenue and SW 38th Terrace cross sections.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO:

1. adopt the SW 24th Avenue cross-section as presented by the Alachua County Public Works Department (ACPWD); and

2. request that the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners pursue the acquisition of additional right-of-way north and south of SW 24th Avenue and along SW 38th Terrace in order to improve accommodations for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.
C. COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM (CIGP)

Mr. Marlie Sanderson, MTPO Director of Transportation Planning, discussed the CIGP.

Mr. Mehul Parekh, Alachua County Public Works Department Civil Engineer I, reported that Alachua County is not going to apply for CIGP funds this year.

D. TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM YEAR 2001 APPLICATIONS

Mr. Dedenbach discussed the Transportation Enhancement Program. He said that staff has been informed that there is a funding shortfall for the SR 26/26A project enhancements. He explained that the Committees could recommend that the list of unfunded projects be amended to include SR26/26A project enhancements as the new number one priority.

The TAC discussed the Transportation Enhancement Program and funding issues concerning the SR 26/26A project.

ACTION: Brian Kanely moved to recommend that the MTPO amend the Transportation Enhancement Program priorities to include SR 26/26A project enhancements as the new number one priority with the understanding that the City of Gainesville will prepare and submit the application. Linda Dixon seconded; motion passed unanimously.

E. MTPO DRAFT LETTER- WIDENING STATE ROAD 24 TO THE CITY OF ARCHER

Mr. Sanderson stated that, at the February 15, 2001 MTPO meeting, Mr. Bruce Pagel, City of Archer Assistant City Manager, discussed the impacts of not funding the four-laning of Archer Road to the City of Archer. He said that, after discussing this issue, it was a consensus of the MTPO to request that staff research why the funding for the four-laning of Archer Road was moved to other projects. He reported that MTPO staff have prepared the draft response letter for the MTPO Chair to send to the City of Archer Mayor.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the MTPO approve sending, to the City of Archer Assistant Manager, the draft response letter concerning the widening of SR 24. Patricia Reynolds seconded; motion passed unanimously.

F. CHARRETTE RESERVE FUND

Mr. Sanderson stated that the Committees need to recommend to the MTPO whether the City and County should contribute $5,000 each year to the MTPO charrette fund, regardless of whether a charrette is conducted that year, or if the City and County should only make one $5,000 contribution and not contribute additional funding until an MTPO charrette is conducted.
ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to recommend that the City of Gainesville, Alachua County and the MTPO annually contribute $5,000 toward a charrette fund, regardless of whether a charrette is conducted each year. Brian Kanely seconded; motion passed unanimously.

G. FISCAL YEAR 2000/2001 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

Mr. Sanderson reviewed the UPWP and answered questions.

Ms. Linda Dixon, City of Gainesville Transportation Analyst, discussed whether a charrette element for the upcoming special area study of W 6th Street, from SW 16th Avenue to N 8th Avenue should be added to the UPWP.

ACTION: Linda Dixon moved to approve the UPWP with the addition of a charrette for W 6th Street, from SW 16th Avenue to N 8th Avenue. Brian Kanely seconded.

The TAC discussed the UPWP amendment.

Chair Mimms called the question. Question call passed unanimously.

Motion failed 6 to 9.

ACTION: Chuck Kiester moved to approve the UPWP with technical and administrative corrections as noted by staff. Suraya Teeple seconded; motion passed 14 to 1.

H. STATE ROAD 24 SPEED LIMIT

Mr. Dedenbach reviewed FDOT correspondence concerning speed limit issues on SR 24.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

There was no discussion of the information items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjoumed at 3:30 p.m.